

EWCB 2022: Appendix 3 - Socio-economic groupings

Table 7: Explanation of socio-economic groupings

Grade	General description.	Examples of occupations	Retiree description.
A	These are professional people, or are very senior in business or commerce or are top level civil servants.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coroner • General Practitioner if in own practice or partner in practice • Film Producer • University Professor • Self Employed electrician with over 25 employees • Chief Officer in fire service • Police Commissioner • Bishop Chartered Accountant with own practice • Editor of national newspaper 	Retired people, previously grade A, and their widows.

Grade	General description.	Examples of occupations	Retiree description.
B.	<p>Middle management executives in large organisations, with appropriate qualifications Top management or owners of small business.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Editor of provincial newspaper • Self-employed electrician with under 24 staff • Self-employed window cleaner with 25+ staff • Fully qualified doctor who is not in own practice or a consultant • Hospital sister/charge nurse grades F & G • Health visitor • Computer programmer • Civil engineer with professional qualifications • University lecturer • Teacher in secondary school • Television producer • Lawyer not in own practice • Detective Inspector (police) 	<p>Retired people, previously grade B, and their widows.</p>

Grade	General description.	Examples of occupations	Retiree description.
C1	<p>Junior management owners of small establishments: and all others in non-manual positions Jobs in this group have very varied responsibilities and educational needs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary school teacher • Students living away from home • Nurse – State Enrolled Nurse, State Registered Nurse, Midwife • Student Nurses • Typist • Travel courier • Telephone operator • Detective Sergeant • Police Constable • Self employed electrician with 1-4 employees • Self employed window cleaner with 5-24 employees • Market Research interviewer • Television production assistant 	<p>Retired people previously grade C1 and their widows.</p>
C2	<p>All skilled manual workers, and those manual workers with responsibility for other people</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electrician • Plumber • Panel beater • Thatcher • Tailor • Cobbler • Coach Driver • HGV Driver • Ambulance Driver • Prison officer • Weaver • Welder • Typesetter • Computer engineer • Joiner • London black cab driver 	<p>Retired people previously grade C2 with a pension from their job Widows if receiving pensions from their late husband's job</p>

Grade	General description.	Examples of occupations	Retiree description.
D	All semi-skilled and unskilled manual workers, and apprentices and trainees to skilled workers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Window cleaner • Taxi driver – provinces • Nursing auxiliary • Porter • Fork lift truck driver • Warehouseman • Road worker • Road sweeper • Waiter • Machine tool operator • Child minder • Chambermaid • Farm worker – no qualifications 	Retired people previously grade D with a pension from their job Widows if receiving pensions from their late husband's job
E	All those entirely dependent on the state long term, through sickness, unemployment, old age, or other reasons. Those unemployed for a period exceeding 6 months (otherwise classify on previous occupation) Casual workers and those without a regular income Only households without a chief wage earner will be coded in this group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unemployed longer than 6 months • Living off state benefits only • Pensioners with no private/occupational pension • Pensioners with occupational pension retain their social grade • Widows with pension from their husbands' occupation retain the Social Grade of their husband. • Divorcees living off maintenance from their husbands' employment are graded on their husbands' occupation. 	N/A