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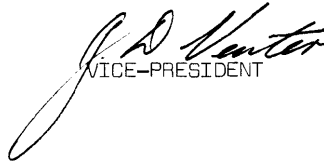
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PREFACE

Much has been heard in the recent past of the profitability of a number of professions. It has been argued, for instance, that if the administration of estates were not reserved for attorneys, this profession would be doomed. It has also been asserted that the profession of the general medical practitioner, particularly in rural areas, is not remunerative, while quantity surveyors were granted permission in 1972 to raise their fees.

An attempt has been made in this study to determine, on a scientific basis, the absolute and relative profitability of twelve professions. I trust that this information will be of value to persons pursuing the professions as well as to the policy makers.

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OPSOMMING

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Die rendabiliteit van twaalf professies

Die verslag handel oor die absolute en relatiewe rendabiliteit van die ondergenoemde twaalf professies:

1	Ingenieur	7	Mediese spesialis
2	Argitek	8	Tandarts
3	Bourekenaar	9	Apteker
4	Landmeter	10	Prokureur
5	Veearts	11	Advokaat
6	Algemene mediese praktisyn	12	Ouditeur

Die rendabiliteit van elke professie is afsonderlik vir selfgeëmplojeerdes en werknemers op die volgende manier bereken: Die inkomstes wat 'n denkbeeldige manlike beoefenaar van elke professie na verwagting oor sy hele professionele loopbaan sal verdien, is aan die einde van sy sewentiende lewensjaar teen ses persent per jaar volgens die kontantwaardemethode verdiskonteer. Die invloed van uitgawes soos studiekoste, verbeurde inkomste en inkomstebelasting is ook in berekening gebring.

Die berekenings is gebaseer op 'n inkomste/loonopname wat op 1 Maart 1971 by 5116 beoefenaars van die twaalf professies gemaak is.

SUMMARY

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The profitability of twelve professions

The report concerns the absolute and relative profitability of the following twelve professions:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 Engineer | 7 Medical specialist |
| 2 Architect | 8 Dentist |
| 3 Quantity surveyor | 9 Pharmacist |
| 4 Surveyor | 10 Attorney |
| 5 Veterinary surgeon | 11 Advocate |
| 6 General medical practitioner | 12 Auditor |

The profitability of each profession has been calculated separately for self-employed and employed workers. The incomes which will probably accrue to a hypothetical male pursuer of each profession during his entire professional career, was discounted, according to the cash value method at six per cent per annum at the end of his seventeenth year of life. The influence of expenditures such as study fees, forfeited income and income tax was also taken into consideration.

The calculations are based on an income/wage survey which was made of 5116 pursuers of the twelve professions on March 1, 1971.

1 INTRODUCTION AND AIM

The aim of this investigation is to determine the absolute and relative profitability of twelve professions in the Republic of South Africa and South-West Africa for both employed and self-employed workers.

The origin of the absolute and relative profitability of a profession lies either in the supply and demand situation in the labour market concerned or in factors (usually judicial or institutional) which might hamper the perfect functioning of the labour market. These are all matters in which the planner, particularly the manpower planner, may have an interest since they can have a restrictive influence on the attainment of the maximum level of prosperity in the national economy. The expected future profitability of a profession is also, for obvious reasons, of the greatest importance for the prospective followers of the professions and for their guidance officers.

The hope is therefore expressed that the results of this study will be of value to both the planner and the guidance officer in the execution of their daily task, as well as to the prospective followers of the professions when exercising their choice.

Since the incomes of self-employed and employed followers of a profession can differ considerably in many cases, in the same way as their duties vary, the profitability of each profession is calculated separately for employees and self-employed persons. The two groups will, however, not be compared with each other since a self-employed person's net profit also includes a risk premium, an entrepreneurial wage and interest on capital invested in instruments and equipment, while the employee's wage usually simply constitutes remuneration for services rendered. The net profit of a self-employed follower of a profession thus usually consists of the composite remuneration provided by three different production factors, viz labour, capital and entrepreneurship, while the employee's wage represents the return of only one production factor, viz labour.

The twelve professions involved in this investigation are those of:

- 1 Engineer
- 2 Architect
- 3 Quantity surveyor
- 4 Surveyor
- 5 Veterinary surgeon
- 6 General medical practitioner

- 7 Medical specialist
- 8 Dentist
- 9 Pharmacist
- 10 Attorney
- 11 Advocate
- 12 Auditor

It is conceded that there are other professions of which the members can rightfully claim to be included in this investigation. The only reason for the exclusion of such professions is, however, the fact that too few followers of these professions participated in the investigation, with the result that insufficient information on the wages/net profit of the followers of such professions was available to ensure reliable results. Female followers of the twelve professions were excluded from the investigation for precisely the same reason.

It is to be hoped, therefore, that ladies and followers of the professions of town and regional planning and social work will participate in a repetition of this investigation so that they may be included as well.

2 ORIGIN OF THE DATA

According to the latest estimate as at 1 March, 1971, there were approximately 124 000 highly qualified Whites in the Republic of South Africa and South-West Africa, of whom 78 125 or 62,9 per cent were registered in the National Register of Natural and Social Scientists. Of this number of registered persons, 66 555 or 85,2 per cent are White persons under the age of 66 years who have not yet retired on pension.

It can thus be estimated, on the strength of the above-mentioned data, that as at 1 March, 1971, there were approximately 106 600 highly qualified Whites under the age of 66 years who had not yet retired on pension in the Republic of South Africa and South-West Africa.

A questionnaire was posted to every second person of the previously mentioned 66 555 highly qualified Whites on 1 March, 1971. (See Appendix A). Particulars were requested on these persons' occupations, capacity in which employed, experience, occupational function, branch of employment, wage and fringe benefits. Altogether 14 291 properly completed and usable questionnaires were returned after six weeks had elapsed. This represents 43,0 per cent of the questionnaires which were despatched and 13,5 per cent of the estimated 105 600 highly qualified Whites who are under the age of 66 years and have not yet retired on pension.

Of the 14 291 highly qualified persons, 12 512 were men, while 5116 of the latter pursued the twelve professions under discussion in this report, 2538 as employees and 2578 as self-employed persons.

In addition to the data obtained by means of the questionnaires, particulars on the age, qualifications, place of residence and sex of the respondents were gleaned from the National Register. This was made possible by originally printing the National Register numbers of the respondents on the questionnaires. In not a single case was it necessary to couple a completed questionnaire with the name and/or address of a person. In order to protect the anonymity of respondents still further, no report is given on any identifiable group.

An analysis of the wage structure of the above-mentioned 14 291 highly qualified persons has already been published by the Human Sciences Research Council in Report No. MM 27, entitled "The wage structure of highly qualified White employees as at 1 March, 1971".

3 DEFINITION OF CERTAIN CONCEPTS

Not all the data obtained by means of the questionnaire will be used in this report.

The data which have, in fact, been used in the report are related to concepts such as wage, highly qualified and profession. The data in this report are furthermore reported as first quartile, median and third quartile wage and cash values.

The above-mentioned concepts will be briefly defined for the sake of accuracy in the interpretation of the data.

3.1 WAGE

As can be seen in the questionnaire (see Appendix A - Question 6), the respondents were requested to supply as wage (salary) merely those amounts which they receive as remuneration for the direct pursuit of their present occupations, while persons owning their own business undertakings or practices (self-employed persons) were asked to state their net profit. Pension, accommodation, bonuses, overtime earnings, allowances, dividend receipts, income derived from rentals, as well as income from other sources such as the wages earned by spouses were not regarded as a wage for the purposes of this report. In this study, the net profits of self-employed persons were put on a par with the gross wages of employees, since these are the respective amounts which are used as the point of departure for calculating a person's taxable income.

The importance of fringe benefits such as pension, accommodation and bonuses as a factor in the determination of the supply of and demand for labour is in no way underestimated by the above-mentioned demarcation of concepts. It is even possible that fringe benefits play a more important role than nominal wages in some labour markets.

However, since it would appear from the completed questionnaires that there is great uncertainty among some workers as to the value of the fringe benefits which they receive and that the amounts which they supplied are, for this reason, not above suspicion in all cases, it was decided not to take the fringe benefits into consideration in this report. However, exclusive attention will be devoted to fringe benefits in a report to be published at a later stage.

3.2 HIGHLY QUALIFIED

The concept "highly qualified" pertains to any person in possession of at least a Bachelor's degree or any other qualification which, for the purposes of the National Register of Natural and Social Scientists, is regarded as at least equivalent to a Bachelor's degree.

Since wage levels play such an important part in the investigation, it is obvious that only highly qualified persons who are also economically active could be involved in the investigation. All highly qualified persons who are not economically active, such as pensioners, housewives, full-time students, as well as all persons above the age of 66 years, were consequently not included in the survey group.

3.3 PROFESSION

The concept "profession" in this report is used to denote any occupation which may only be pursued or of which the nomenclature may only be used by persons registered with a supervisory council which has been established under an act of the central authority and invested with certain powers.

The supervisory council is established with the specific aim of ensuring that only those persons in possession of stipulated qualifications are registered, as well as of supervising the standard of service and professional conduct of the registered persons.

3.4 CASH VALUE

The cash value of a flow of incomes and/or expenditures extending over a number of years or months is the cash amount which, if it were invested at a specific rate of interest (compound interest) at the commencement of the period, would monthly or annually yield an equal flow of incomes and/or expenditures.

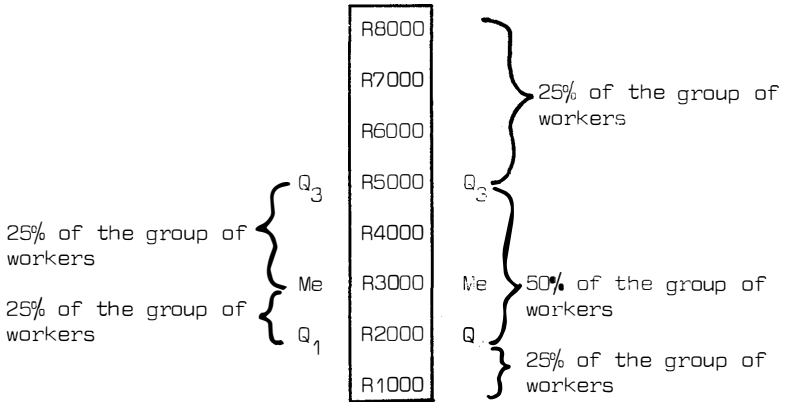
3.5 MEDIAN (Me) OR SECOND QUANTILE (Q_2)

The median (Me) or second quartile (Q_2) is a statistical concept indicating an intermediate value of a group of observations. The median wage of a specific group of workers - take, for example, all surveyors in government service - indicates that 50 per cent of them earn more and 50 per cent less than the indicated median wage (see also Figure 3.1).

3.6 FIRST QUANTILE (Q_1) AND THIRD QUANTILE (Q_3)

The first and third quartiles are two statistical concepts which provide an indication of the way in which a group of observations is distributed around a specific intermediate value, the median. In this report, for example, the first quartile (Q_1) of the wage of a specific group of workers indicates that 25 per cent of the group receive less and 75 per cent more than the Q_1 wage. The third quartile (Q_3) of the group's wage will indicate that 75 per cent of the group earn less and 25 per cent of the group more than the Q_3 wage. This also means that 50 per cent of the group of workers earn more than the Q_1 wage, but less than the Q_3 wage. It can be presented schematically as follows.

FIGURE 3.1
WAGE SCALE



4 THE REPRESENTATIVENESS OF THE SURVEY GROUP

Before one can describe as reliable the findings of an investigation conducted with the aid of a sample, it is necessary to prove that the sample or survey group constitutes a representative group of the population or total group. However, it is clear that a survey group can only be compared with the population if certain characteristics, for example age distribution of both the population and the survey group are known. In this investigation, however, the survey group which is being dealt with has been drawn from a population of which most of the characteristics are unknown.

The survey group consists of 5116 followers of the above-mentioned professions who (a) live and work in the Republic of South Africa or South-West Africa, (b) are younger than 66 years of age, (c) are males and (d) are White persons (see p. 2).

Since the professional registers of the twelve professions also include persons who (a) are females, (b) are older than 66 years of age, (c) live and work beyond the borders of the Republic of South Africa or South-West Africa, (d) do not any longer pursue their profession actively or (e) are Non-Whites, it is obvious that the professional registers contain more persons than the population of this investigation. As a result, no useful purpose would be served by comparing the survey group with the persons in the professional registers.

Of the 39 816 persons whose names are recorded in the twelve professional registers, 29 352 or 61,2 per cent appeared in the National Register of Natural and Social Scientists at 1 March, 1971. Of the latter number, 20 499 were White males under the age of 66 years, were economically active and resided in the Republic of South Africa and South-West Africa. (The last-mentioned group of 20 499 professional workers will henceforth be referred to as the "National Register group".) Since it has already been proved that the National Register of Natural and Social Scientists is to a great extent representative of all highly qualified workers in the Republic of South Africa and South-West Africa (8, p. 13), it can be assumed that, if the survey group is representative of the National Register group, it will also be representative of the population.

The survey group is compared with the National Register group according to geographical distribution in Table 4.1 and according to age distribution in Table 4.2.

TABLE 4.1
GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION OF THE SURVEY GROUP

Province/region	National Register Survey group			
	N	%	N	%
Cape Province	5437	26,5	1340	26,2
Natal	2695	13,2	675	13,2
Transvaal	10922	53,3	2701	52,8
Orange Free State	1068	5,2	287	5,6
South-West Africa	377	1,8	113	2,2
TOTAL	20499	100	5116	100

TABLE 4.2
AGE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SURVEY GROUP
A

Group	N	Age		
		Q ₁	Me	Q ₂
National Register group	20499	31,8	40,6	50,4
Survey group	5116	32,7	41,3	50,8

TABLE 4.2 (CONTINUED)
B

Age group	National Register Survey group			
	N	%	N	%
20 - 24	350	1,7	53	1,0
25 - 29	2900	14,2	662	12,9
30 - 34	3312	16,2	768	15,0
35 - 39	2767	13,5	709	13,9
40 - 44	2939	14,3	792	15,5
45 - 49	2927	14,3	764	14,9
50 - 54	2156	10,5	581	11,4
55 - 59	1681	8,2	429	8,4
60 - 64	1254	6,1	315	6,2
65	213	1,0	43	0,8
TOTAL	20499	100	5116	100

Tables 4.1 and 4.2 reveal that the survey group corresponds with the National Register group to a marked degree. It can thus be assumed that the survey group is a representative sample of the population.

5 THE WAGES OF THE PERSONS PURSUING THE TWELVE PROFESSIONS

In Table 5.1 and Figures 5.1 and 5.2 an analysis is made of the nominal wage structure of employees and the nominal profit structure of the self-employed persons who pursue the twelve professions. (In the case of self-employed persons, reference will be made, for the sake of brevity, to wages instead of net profits.)

In cases where the number of respondents in a group (N in the tables) is comparatively small, the relative wage level of the group should be assessed with circumspection, since there is a possibility that the wage level of the group has been influenced to such an extent by a small group of exceptional cases that a distorted picture of the true situation will be obtained.

However, such a possibility is comparatively remote where use is made of medians and quartiles for the purposes of comparison, as has been done in this study.

The first and third quartiles of the observed wage levels are given in Table 5.1 in order to indicate the distribution of the observed wages about the central value, i.e. the median.

TABLE 5.1
 WAGE STRUCTURE OF THE PROFESSIONAL MALE WORKERS ACCORDING TO PROFESSION AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971
 Rands per annum

Profession	Employers				Self-employed				Total					
	Wage structure		N	Q ₃	Wage structure		N	Q ₃	Wage structure		N	Q ₁	Me	Q ₃
	Q ₁	Me			Q ₁	Me			Q ₁	Me				
Engineer	1477	6157	7455	8752	160	9333	13600	19846	1637	6272	7604	9244		
Architect	67	6546	7812	8604	209	8451	12083	17950	276	7833	10333	15687		
Quantity surveyor	54	6194	7222	8450	85	9437	12863	15982	139	7221	9437	15089		
Surveyor	37	7017	7678	8296	66	8178	10272	12928	103	7364	8483	11125		
Veterinary surgeon	41	5708	6750	7843	28	6400	8250	12000	69	6112	7156	9437		
General medical practitioner	305	6276	8037	9174	459	10132	12644	15856	764	7607	10234	14071		
Medical specialist	129	8297	10084	10693	239	13291	18586	23906	368	10177	13555	20583		
Dentist	21	8015	8343	9375	174	8325	11090	14687	195	8187	10712	14031		
Pharmacist	134	5203	6115	6982	198	6850	8395	12025	332	5714	7205	10000		
Attorney	81	4562	5338	7791	478	8393	11958	15687	559	7471	10858	15401		
Advocate	34	6250	7750	9250	53	7208	10928	15821	87	6593	9187	12541		
Auditor	158	5250	6600	8019	429	9442	12663	17116	587	7334	10730	15401		
TOTAL	2538	6092	7415	8870	2578	9025	12370	16717	5116	6902	8974	12769		
TOTAL (all men)	9414	5113	6620	8199	3098	8279	12082	16156	12512	5457	7237	10032		

FIGURE 5.1

WAGE STRUCTURE OF THE EMPLOYED MALE FOLLOWERS OF TWELVE PROFESSIONS AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971
Rands per annum

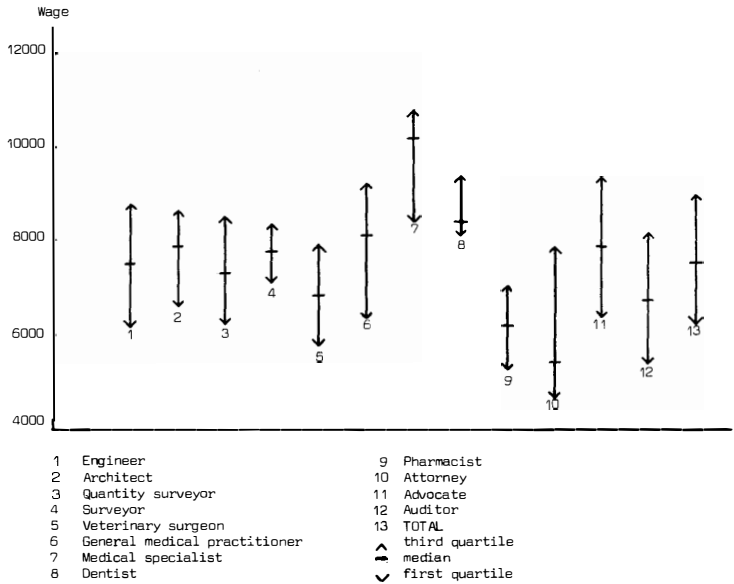
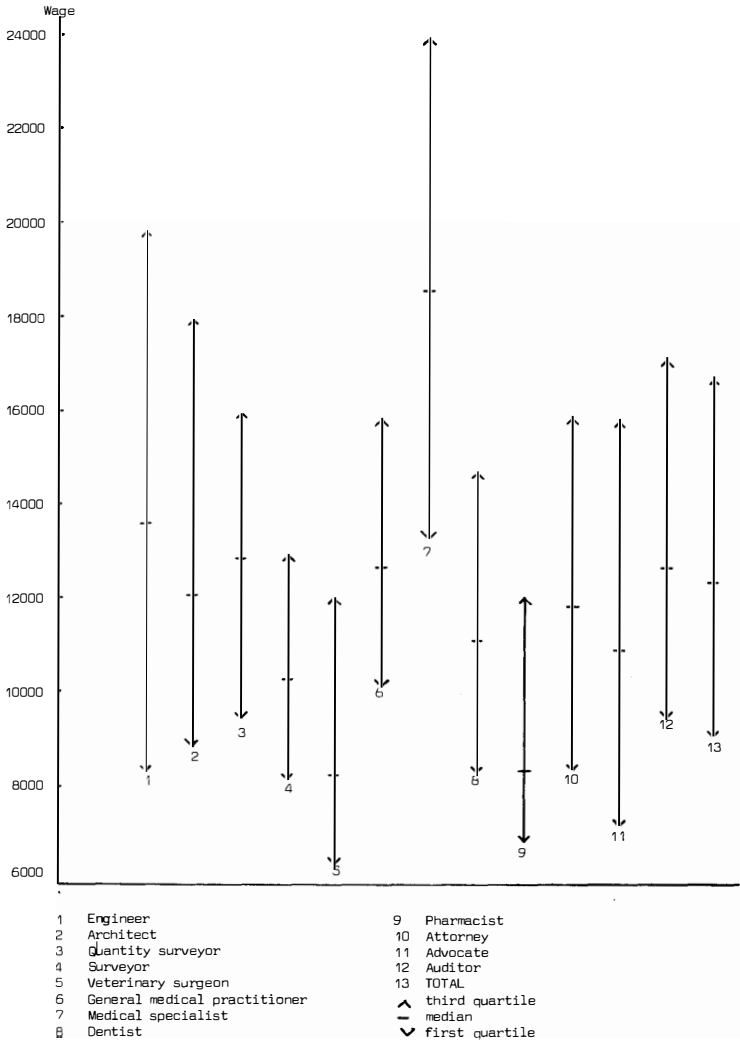


FIGURE 5.2

WAGE STRUCTURE OF THE SELF-EMPLOYED MALE FOLLOWERS OF TWELVE PROFESSIONS AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971
Rands per annum



Where, in the following paragraphs, a calculated wage is discussed, only its central value, i.e. the median will be indicated.

In Table 5.2, the 12 professions are arranged in order of wages earned, from high to low, for each of Q_1 , Me and Q_3 of the observed wage.

Since the data in Tables 5.1 and 5.2 are based on the Q_1 , Me and Q_3 wages of each of the 24 groups and do not take other factors such as age, costs of training, duration of training, forfeited income, etc. into consideration at all, and since the above-mentioned factors will be considered in the following chapters, there will be no further discussion at this stage of the relative wage earnings and profitability of the 24 groups.

6 THE CALCULATION OF THE PROFITABILITY OF AN OCCUPATION

6.1 THE METHOD OF CALCULATION

When a number of occupations are compared with one another in order to determine their profitability, it is first necessary to calculate the profitability of each individual occupation. The profitability of an occupation can be calculated according to two methods which are in general use. According to the first, the rate of interest yielded by an investment in training for the occupation concerned, called the internal rate of return, is calculated. In this case, all costs of training and forfeited income constitute the investment, while the flow of wage receipts expected to be earned throughout the worker's entire professional career is regarded as interest yield and capital redemption.

According to the second method, which will be used in this study, the cash value of the flow of wage receipts, both positive and negative, which a worker expects to earn during his entire professional career, is calculated. In this case, costs of training and forfeited income constitute a negative occupational income and wage or net profit a positive occupational income, while an appropriate rate of interest is chosen on one or another applicable basis.

Apart from the fact that both Feldstein and Flemming (1, 79-85) and Hirshleifer (2, 329-352) have provided adequate proof that the cash value method is the better of the two, Wilkinson (3, 557) also points out that in the case where the sign (positive or negative) of the expected income flow changes more than once, it is impossible to use the internal rate of return method.

TABLE 5.2
WAGE RANK ORDER (FROM HIGH TO LOW) OF THE TWELVE PROFESSIONS AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971

Rank order according to Q ₁ wage		Rank order according to Me wage		Rank order according to Q ₃ wage	
Employees	Self-employed persons	Employees	Self-employed persons	Employees	Self-employed persons
1 Medical specia= list	1 Medical specia= list	1 Medical specia= list	1 Medical specia= list	1 Medical specia= list	1 Medical specialist
2 Dentist	2 Gen.med,practi= tioner	2 Dentist	2 Engineer	2 Dentist	2 Engineer
3 Surveyor	3 Auditor	3 Gen.med,practi= tioner	3 Quantity surveyor	3 Advocate	3 Architect
4 Architect	4 Quantity surveyor	4 Architect	4 Auditor	4 Gen.med,practi= tioner	4 Auditor
5 Gen.med,practi= tioner	5 Engineer	5 Advocate	5 Gen.med, practi= tioner		
6 Advocate	Q ₁ - 12 Professions	6 Surveyor		Q ₃ - 12 Professions	Q ₃ - 12 Professions
7 Quantity surveyor		7 Engineer			
8 Engineer	6 Architect		Me - 12 Professions		
	7 Attorney			5 Engineer	5 Quantity surveyor
Q ₁ - 12 Professions				6 Architect	6 Attorney
	8 Dentist	8 Quantity surveyor	6 Architect	7 Quantity survey= tioner	7 Gen.med, practi= tioner
9 Veterinary sur= geon	9 Surveyor	9 Veterinary sur= geon	8 Dentist	8 Advocate	8 Advocate
10 Auditor	10 Advocate	10 Auditor	9 Advocate	9 Auditor	9 Dentist
11 Pharmacist	11 Pharmacist	11 Pharmacist	10 Surveyor	10 Veterinary sur= geon	10 Surveyor
12 Attorney	12 Veterinary surgeon	12 Attorney	11 Pharmacist	11 Attorney	11 Pharmacist
			12 Veterinary sur= geon	12 Pharmacist	12 Veterinary surgeon

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6.2 THE FORMULA

The formula which is used to discount the expected flow of wage receipts, both positive and negative, is similar to that used by Terblanche in 1971 to calculate the relationship between differences in income, occupation and level of education of economically active Whites (4, 20).

The formula is

$$I = \sum_{t=18}^{65} \frac{I_t - K_t}{\left(1 + \frac{r}{100}\right)^{t-18}}$$

where

I = the cash value of the expected flow of wage receipts and costs from the age of 18 to the age of 65 of the average prospective follower of the occupation concerned, immediately prior to the commencement of his studies, i.e. at the end of his 17th year.

$$t = 18, 19, 20 \dots 65$$

It is assumed that all followers of the 12 professions passed their matriculation examination in their 17th year, that they commenced their occupational training in their 18th year and that, after they have started practising their professions, they will continue to do so up to the end of their 65th year and that they will not die before they have reached their 66th year.

I_t = the positive wage receipts which, it is expected, will be earned in year t in the pursuit of the occupation concerned.

K_t = the negative income in year t , i.e. costs of training, forfeited income, etc. which, it is calculated, a person must incur in year t to equip himself for the occupation concerned.

r = the selected discount rate

7 CALCULATION OF THE COSTS OF TRAINING

7.1 COSTS OF STUDY

7.1.1 Duration of training

An analysis of the periods (number of years) which were

accepted in this investigation, for the purposes of calculation, as the normal duration of training for each of the twelve professions appears in Table 7.1.

It must be pointed out that, in respect of medical specialists, the South African Medical and Dental Council demands two years' practical experience after the housemanship year, while the University stipulates four years' part-time training. However, since one of the two years' practical training may be undergone simultaneously with one of the four years' part-time training, the total period of training amounts to only 12 years.

As can be perceived in Table 7.1, the accepted normal duration of training is not always equal to the minimum possible period of training. However, the periods as set out in Table 7.1 were decided upon in all cases, after consultation with practicing members of the professions concerned and training and registration officials at various institutions where training for the 12 professions is provided.

7.1.2 Tuition fees

With the exception of pharmacy, the tuition fees charged by the University of Pretoria in 1972 were used for the purposes of calculation in this study. In the case of pharmacy, which is not offered by the University of Pretoria, the tuition fees charged by the Potchefstroom University for C.H.E. were used for this purpose. An exposition of the tuition fees as they were used for the purposes of calculation, appears in Table 7.2.

It is conceded that the total tuition fees for some fields of specialization in medicine are R10 less than the amount indicated in Table 7.2 and that the one amount of R140 will be payable during some of the students' 28th year instead of their 26th year but the effect on the eventual calculations is so minimal that the matter can be ignored. If, however, these calculations were, in fact, taken into account, it would mean that the absolute profitability of the medical profession would, as a result, be slightly higher.

7.1.3 Laboratory fees

Since there is very little uniformity among the training institutions with regard to the levying of laboratory fees and similar costs of training, and since these costs are so small that they will not have any appreciable effect on the findings of this investigation, it has been decided to ignore them completely.

TABLE 7.1
DURATION OF TRAINING ACCORDING TO PROFESSION

Profession	Number of years of full-time study	Number of years of part-time study plus practical	Number of years of practical training	Total
Engineer	5			5
Architect	5		1	6
Quantity surveyor	2	3		5
Surveyor	4	1		5
Veterinary surgeon	5			5
General medical practitioner	6		1	7
Medical specialist	6	3 or 4	3 or 2	12
Dentist	5			5
Pharmacist	4		1	5
Attorney		4	1	5
Advocate	6			6
Auditor		6		6

TABLE 7.2
TUITION FEES ACCORDING TO PROFESSION AND STUDENT'S YEAR OF LIFE
Rands per annum

Profession	Tuition fees											
	18th year	19th year	20th year	21st year	22nd year	23rd year	24th year	25th year	26th year	27th year	28th year	29th year
Engineer	230	230	230	230	230	290	290	290	290	140	140	10
Architect	210	210	210	210	210	210						
Quantity surveyor	210	210	210	210	210							
Surveyor	230	230	230	230								
Veterinary surgeon	210	300	300	300	300							
Gen.med.practitioner	210	290	290	290	290	290						
Medical specialist	210	290	290	290	290	290						
Dentist	210	300	300	300	300							
Pharmacist	210	210	210	210								
Attorney	210	210	210	210								
Advocate	180	180	180	210	210	210						
Auditor	100	100	100	100	100	100						

7.1.4 Cost of living (food, clothing and accommodation)

Since cost of living is an ever-present factor, irrespective of whether a person is engaged in training or has started work immediately after matriculating, it does not form an integral part of the costs of training and will consequently not be taken into account.

7.2 FORFEITED INCOME

When the costs of training for one or another occupation are calculated, it is normal procedure to take forfeited income as a cost of training into account as well. This is done by Terblanche (4), Wilkinson (3), Hirshleifer (2) and Feldstein and Flemming (1).

It is assumed in this study that the followers of the 12 professions, who are all required to be in possession of a matriculation certificate before they can commence training, could all have entered the Civil Service and thus were compelled to forfeit a wage equal to that paid by the Government to matriculated clerks in order to receive their training. There are, however, two exceptions to this rule, viz medical specialists and advocates.

It is common knowledge that the majority of the country's present corps of medical specialists only commenced their training as specialists after practising for a considerable period as general medical practitioners. However, it would appear that there is at present a tendency among medical practitioners to commence specialized medical training at an earlier age. It was decided, for the sake of uniformity, to assume that medical specialists commence their training as medical specialists at the earliest possible juncture.

Since only those persons who have already been registered as general medical practitioners with the South African Medical and Dental Council can be admitted to a training course in a field of specialization, it can thus be assumed that they could have at least obtained posts as medical officers in the various Provincial Hospital Administrations. For this reason, the forfeited wage in the case of medical specialists between their 25th and 29th years was regarded, for the purposes of comparison, as equal to the median wage received by general medical practitioners as employees in the corresponding years, as was apparent from the 1971 wage survey (9).

In the case of advocates, students are not admitted to the LL.B. course unless they have already obtained another Bache=

lor's degree (B.A. Law or B.Com.). A person possessing a Bachelor's degree receives a higher wage in the Civil Service than one who has only a matriculation certificate. For this reason, the forfeited income during the last three years of an advocate's training was regarded as equal to the wage received by a graduate employee in the Government service.

The amounts which were calculated as forfeited wages appear in Table 7.3.

The amounts mentioned in Table 7.3 were, however, only regarded as costs in cases where they were higher than the wages earned by a person as a part-time or extra-mural student in any particular year (see Table 7.4).

7.3 WAGES AND OTHER INCOME DURING TRAINING

It is well-known that a large percentage of students receive one or another form of income, while training for one of the twelve professions, which they would not have had if they had not been engaged in such training. Such incomes can be divided into two main groups, viz (a) income received for which no services are required and (b) wage received for services rendered.

The first group included bursaries (also bursaries donated by parents and other relatives), merit awards, cash prizes, etc., provided that they are not refundable. Since such amounts vary from student to student and depend in many cases on the family relationship of the student to the donor of the bursary, they were not considered in this study. It should be thoroughly understood, however, that if the student had not received such amounts if he had not been engaged in studying in one of the 12 fields, it represents a definite income earned in the profession. The fact that it has not been considered in this study means that the cash value of the wage receipts of the profession concerned has been underestimated.

The second group included the wages of part-time and extra-mural students and the wages paid to students engaged in practical training, for example the R4050 earned by a medical practitioner in his 7th year of training as a houseman at a Transvaal Provincial Hospital. All amounts which were considered under this heading in the study appear in Table 7.4.

In the case of engineers, architects, surveyors, pharmacists, attorneys and auditors, the amounts in Table 7.4 were decided upon after consultation with a number of members of the professions employing students who are still engaged in training.

TABLE 7.3
 FORFEITED INCOME ACCORDING TO PROFESSION AND STUDENT'S YEAR OF LIFE
 Rands per annum

Profession	Forfeited income												
	18th year	19th year	20th year	21st year	22nd year	23rd year	24th year	25th year	26th year	27th year	28th year	29th year	
Engineer	1560	1680	1800	1920	2040								
Architect	1560	1680	1800	1920	2040	2160							
Quantity surveyor	1560	1680	1800	1920	2040								
Surveyor	1560	1680	1800	1920	2040								
Veterinary surgeon	1560	1680	1800	1920	2040								
Gen.med.practitioner	1560	1680	1800	1920	2040	2160	2280						
Medical specialist	1560	1680	1800	1920	2040	2160	2280	5848	6013	6181	6353	6401	
Dentist	1560	1680	1800	1920	2040								
Pharmacist	1560	1680	1800	1920	2040								
Attorney	1560	1680	1800	1920	2040								
Advocate	1560	1680	1800	2700	2850	3000							
Auditor	1560	1680	1800	1920	2040	2160							

TABLE 7.4
WAGE DURING TRAINING ACCORDING TO PROFESSION AND YEAR OF LIFE
Rands per annum

Profession	Income during training											
	18th year	19th year	20th year	21st year	22nd year	23rd year	24th year	25th year	26th year	27th year	28th year	29th year
Engineer						3528						
Architect						4200						
Quantity surveyor			1560	2040	2640							
Surveyor					3600							
Veterinary surgeon												
Gen.med. practitioner							4050					
Medical specialist							4050	5700	6000	6300	6600	6900
Dentist												
Pharmacist					1800							
Attorney	720	960	1200	1440	1680							
Advocate												
Auditor	1440	1680	1920	2160	2400	3000						

As regards quantity surveyors, the amounts mentioned constitute the minimum wages prescribed by the association of quantity surveyors, while the amounts for medical practitioners are the wages paid to housemen, senior housemen and clinical assistants in Transvaal Provincial hospitals.

As can be seen in Table 7.4, it is assumed that it is normal procedure for attorneys and auditors to obtain their qualifications by dint of part-time study. This assumption was decided upon after consultation with a number of members of the two professions.

It should be noted that the income earned by a student during his training actually represents a decrease in the costs of training and this fact was consequently taken into account. In cases where the actual income was larger than the calculated forfeited incomes as indicated in Table 7.3, the forfeited income was completely ignored.

8 THE INCOME FLOW

8.1 THE OBSERVED WAGES

There are two known methods for calculating the cash value of the flow of expected wage receipts of a new or prospective entrant to a profession at a given moment. According to the first method, information is gathered on the wage history of a large number of followers of the profession concerned. The expected future course of the wage receipts of the profession are then predicted on the basis of the historical data.

However, there are two important objections to the historical data method. Historical data are, in the first place, seldom if ever available and are very difficult to come by. When they are available or obtainable, their validity is not always above suspicion. In the second place, it is seldom possible to assume that the same factors such as depressions, inflation, innovations, redistributions of income, etc. of the past, which could possibly have exerted a great influence on the historical wage pattern of a particular group, will also be present in the future and if they are, in fact, present, what their influence will be on the wages of a particular occupational group.

The second method makes use of wage and age data, as at a particular juncture, gathered from a considerable number of persons. An analysis of the wage data according to age is accepted as descriptive of a process which embraces a course of time or will do so if the investigation is directed towards the

future. This is the so-called cross-section method which is used fairly generally in the human sciences. The same method was also used by Terblanche (4), Wilkinson (3), Hirshleifer (2) and Feldstein and Flemming (1) and it will be used in this investigation as well.

An analysis of the medians of the wages of 5116 persons according to profession, occupational status and age as at 1 March 1971 appears in Table 8.1. The wage distributions (according to age) of the twenty-four different groups are also presented in the form of graphs in Figures 8.1 to 8.24.

According to Table 8.1, there are outlying wages in a few age groups which were calculated on the strength of data supplied by only two followers of the profession concerned. Since these wages can be mere chance outliers and their inclusion can possibly give rise to unreliable findings, it was decided to exclude them from all further calculations. The four cases which were excluded for this reason are:

- (a) Surveyors, self-employed, age group 25 to 29.
- (b) Surveyors, employees, age group 36 to 39.
- (c) Quantity surveyors, self-employed, age group 65.
- (d) General medical practitioners, self-employed, age group 65.

In cases where there is only one person in an age group, this person's wage was not taken into account either in the subsequent calculations.

8.2 THE CALCULATED WAGE DISTRIBUTION

In order to eliminate, as far as possible, chance irregularities in the observed wages of the various professions, the medians of the observed wages are not themselves used for the calculation of the profitability of the twelve professions. Use is made of regression (or adjusted) median values, which were calculated in the usual manner by means of the least squares method with the aid of a third degree regression function as the basis of description of the wage/age pattern and as the basis for the calculation of the cash value of the expected wage receipt flow of each of the twelve professions.

The calculated median wages, i.e. the regression values of the medians of the observed wages according to age, profession and occupational status are analysed in Table 8.2. They are also presented in the form of graphs in Figures 8.1 to 8.24, in conjunction with the medians of the observed wages.

TABLE B.1
 THE MEDIAN OF THE OBSERVED WAGES ACCORDING TO AGE GROUP, OCCUPATIONAL STATUS AND PROFESSION AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971
 Rands per annum

Age group	Employees													TOTAL	Self-employed persons													TOTAL
	Engineer		Architect		Quantity surveyor		Surveyor		Veterinary surgeon		Gen. med. practitioner		Medical specialist		Dentist		Pharmacist		Attorney		Accountant		Auditor					
	N	Me-wage	N	Me-wage	N	Me-wage	N	Me-wage	N	Me-wage	N	Me-wage	N		Me-wage	N	Me-wage	N	Me-wage	N	Me-wage	N	Me-wage	N	Me-wage	N	Me-wage	
20-24	37	4067																										
25-29	258	5064	2	5166	92	6175	2	5500	12	5166	2	5500	4	5500	3	6749	1	5468	4	4250	4	4250	4	4250	4	5000	61	5281
30-34	234	6769	6	6375	52	7125	52	8181	7	6375	52	8181	25	8181	5	8250	28	5500	32	4928	6	5392	6	5000	61	5281	28	6700
35-39	167	7541	8	8000	5	7750	22	8100	3	6750	24	8666	18	9250	3	8375	26	6428	5	7250	7	6750	5	9250	16	7333	16	7333
40-44	194	8068	17	8312	7	7750	10	7375	3	7249	24	8666	21	10150	1	10150	13	6150	7	6750	5	7250	4	8500	23	8187	23	8187
45-49	216	8224	10	8250	12	8500	9	7674	4	8000	37	9281	25	10458	1	10458	13	6150	3	8249	4	8500	4	8500	8	7500	8	7500
50-54	169	8490	8	8250	6	8000	31	9156	4	8000	31	9156	19	10541	3	8375	7	7375	4	13000	3	8249	3	9249	7	8250	7	8250
55-59	105	8187	8	7000	5	9375	4	8500	5	7250	19	9350	12	10200	2	8500	7	6250	3	5249	3	10500	2	7000	4	7500	7	6375
60-64	86	8500	8	7250																								
65	11	7250			6	7749	1		1		6	7749	4	10666	2	9500	5	5250	3	10500	1		1		4	7500	4	7500
TOTAL	1477	7465	67	7812	54	7222	37	7678	41	6750	305	8037	129	10084	21	8343	134	6115	81	5338	34	7750	158	6600				
20-24																												
25-29			3	7249	4	12500	2	4000	11	7125	27	14500	1		10	11000	21	7187	1	9375	4	4500	38	9200				
30-34	20	10666	21	9125	15	12500	6	10666	5	7375	49	12291	15	14500	21	10500	31	8208	80	10000	10	15000	4	15000	70	12071		
35-39	23	15500	34	11000	19	10750	14	9500	4	8000	57	13750	25	18833	32	12750	33	8976	97	12305	9	9250	83	12950				
40-44	31	14250	42	12888	13	15125	17	10500	2	8500	75	13476	56	15857	41	11166	41	9187	78	12500	12	12500	62	13000				
45-49	30	13000	33	10722	14	15000	10	12000	3	8849	94	12769	58	20800	27	10928	37	8458	53	12833	5	15500	58	14000				
50-54	20	13000	30	17000	3	18499	8	8333	3	9500	76	12550	46	19428	21	10500	9	14750	57	11625	6	10000	40	16000				
55-59	16	18500	21	12500	8	12333	5	10750	1	41	12000	22	18666	10	10000	10	7000	49	12083	5	10500	54	14333					
60-64	18	9000	20	15500	7	15750	4	9250			38	10625	16	15000	10	10500	13	7375	36	11333	4	15000	23	16500				
65	1		5	6250	2	7500	1				2	7500	1		2	10000	2	9000	4	15000	1		1					
TOTAL	160	13600	209	12083	85	12863	66	10272	28	8250	459	12644	239	18586	174	11090	198	8395	478	11958	53	10928	429	12663				

FIGURE 8.1
MEDIAN WAGE OF ENGINEERS (EMPLOYEES) AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971 ACCORDING TO AGE
Rands per annum

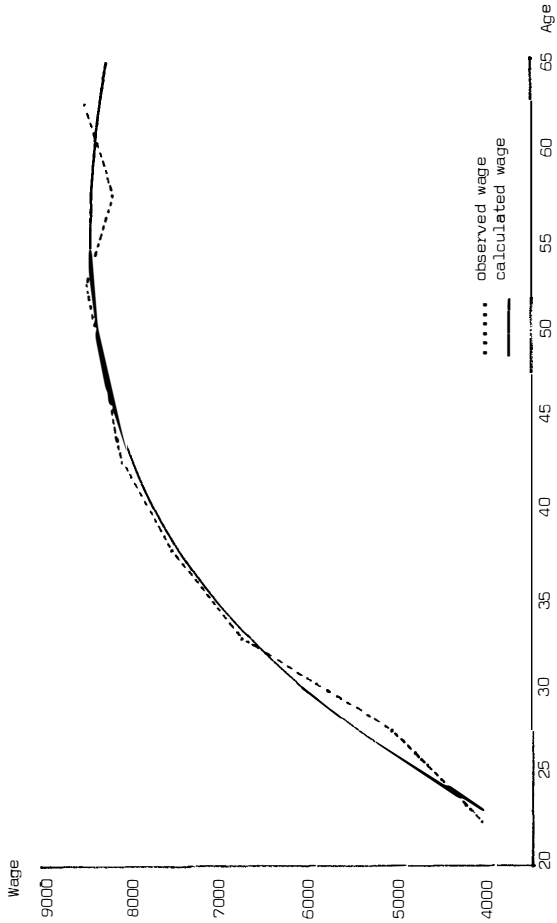


FIGURE 6.2
 MEDIAN WAGE OF ARCHITECTS (EMPLOYEES) AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971 ACCORDING TO AGE
 Rands per annum

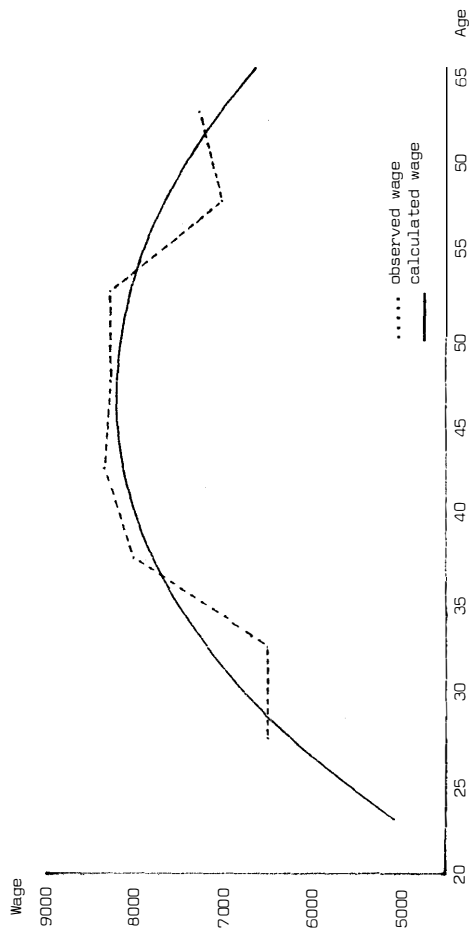


FIGURE 8.3
 MEDIAN WAGE OF QUANTITY SURVEYORS (EMPLOYEES) AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971 ACCORDING TO AGE
 Rands per annum

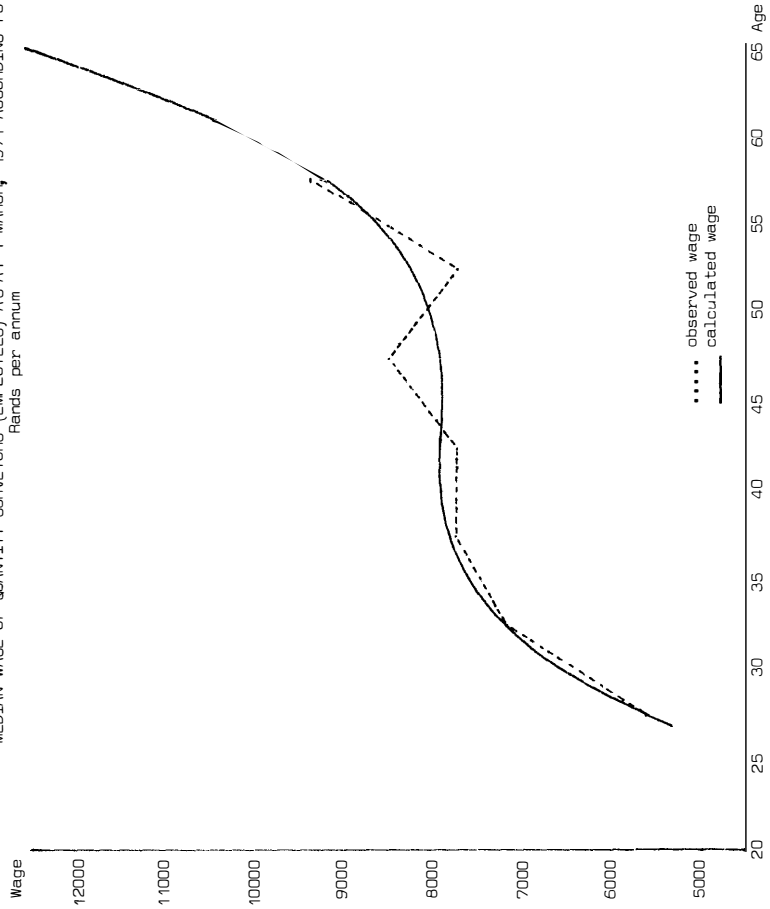


FIGURE 8.4
MEDIAN WAGE OF SUPERVISORS (EMPLOYEES) AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971 ACCORDING TO AGE
Rands per annum

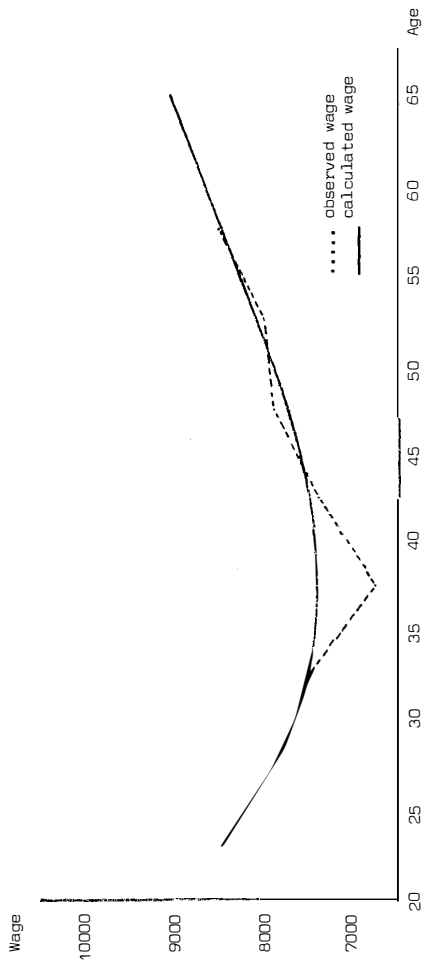


FIGURE 8.5
 MEDIAN WAGE OF VETERINARY SURGEONS (EMPLOYEES) AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971 ACCORDING TO AGE
 Rends per annum

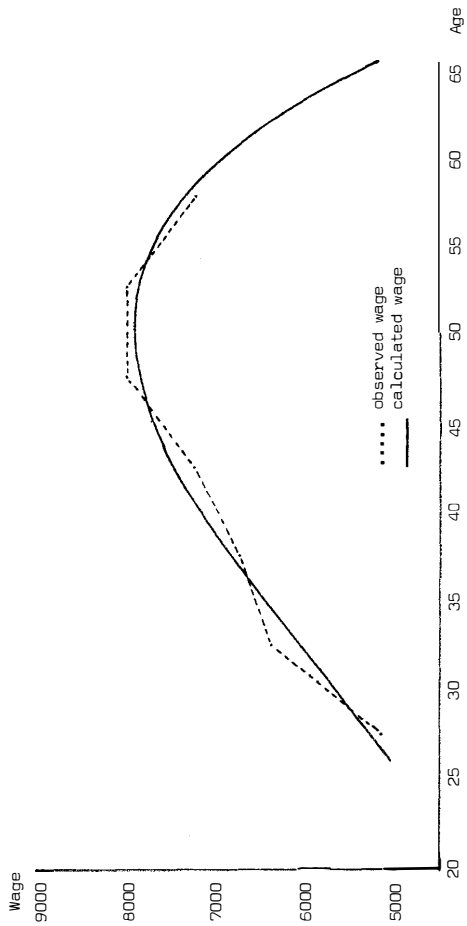


FIGURE 8.6
 MEDIAN WAGE OF GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS (EMPLOYEES) AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971 ACCORDING TO AGE
 Rands per annum

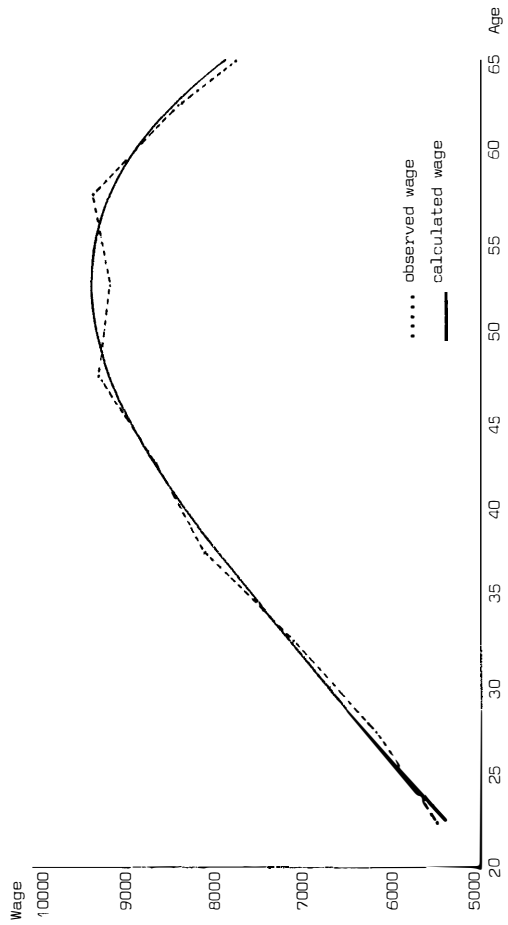


FIGURE 8.7
 MEDIAN WAGE OF MEDICAL SPECIALISTS (EMPLOYEES) AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971 ACCORDING TO AGE
 Rands per annum

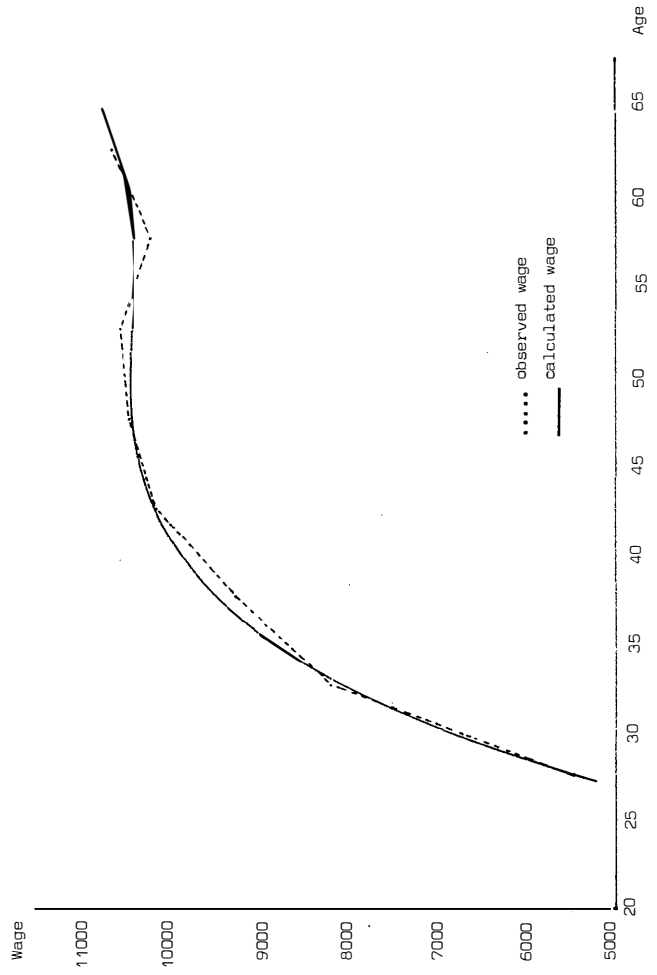


FIGURE 6.6
MEDIAN WAGE OF DENTISTS (EMPLOYEES) AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971 ACCORDING TO AGE
Rands per annum

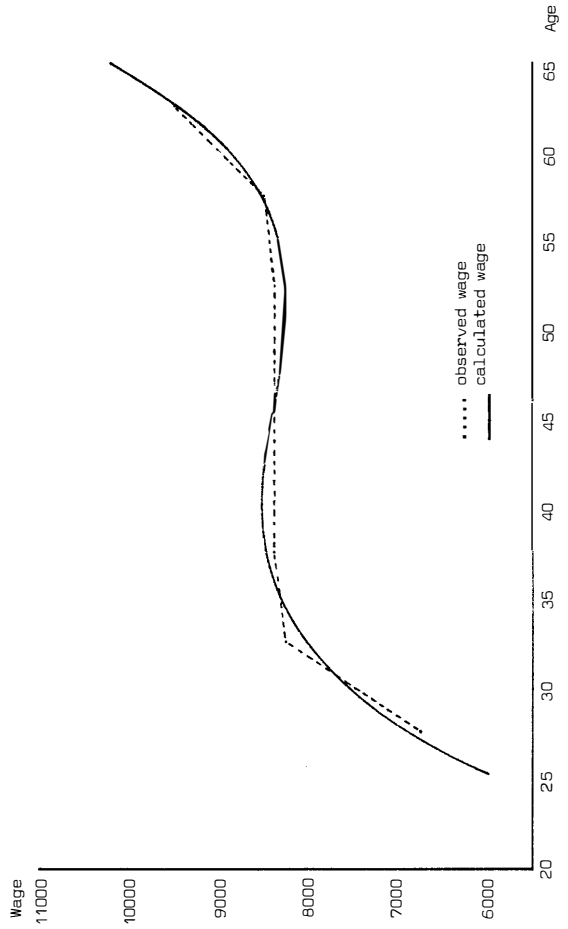
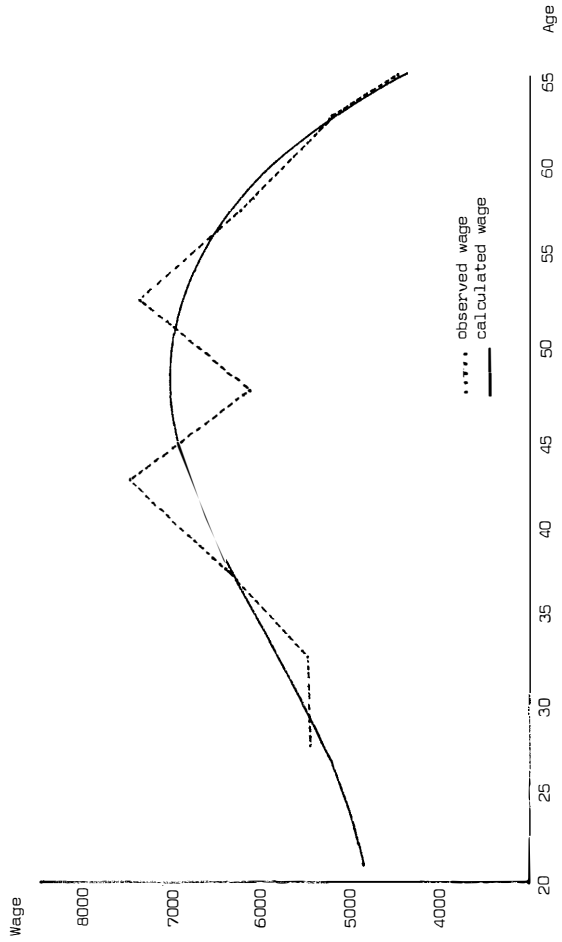


FIGURE 8.9
 MEDIAN WAGE OF PHARMACISTS (EMPLOYEES) AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971 ACCORDING TO AGE
 Rands per annum



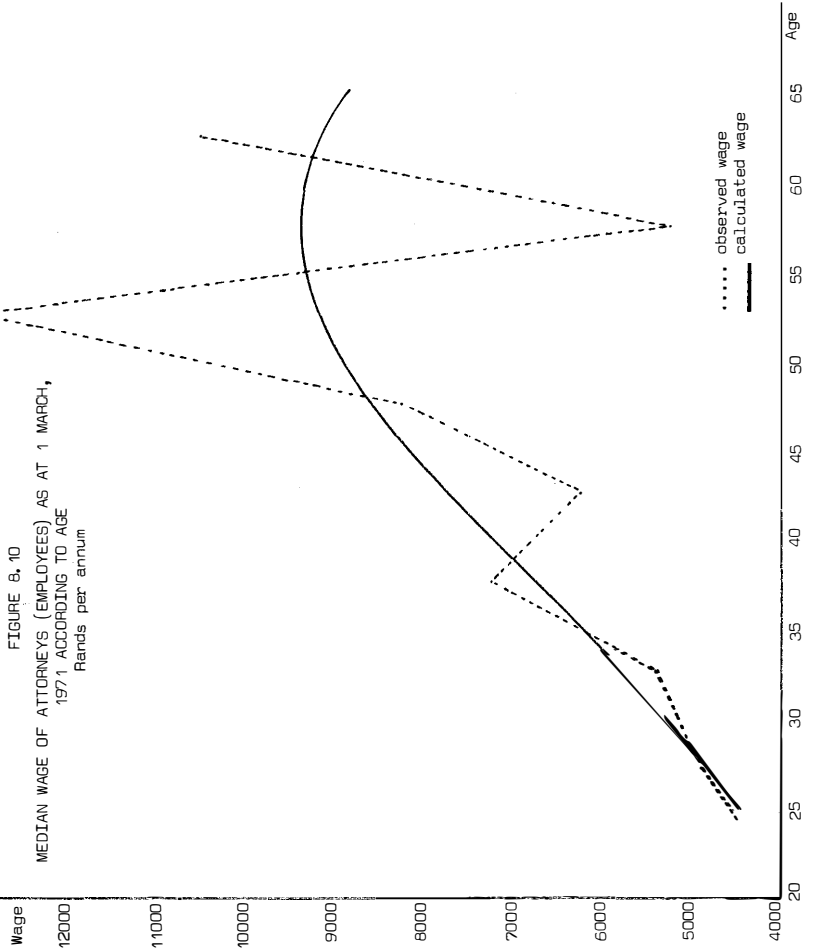


FIGURE 8.11
 MEDIAN WAGE OF ADVOCATES (EMPLOYEES) AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971 ACCORDING TO AGE
 Rands per annum

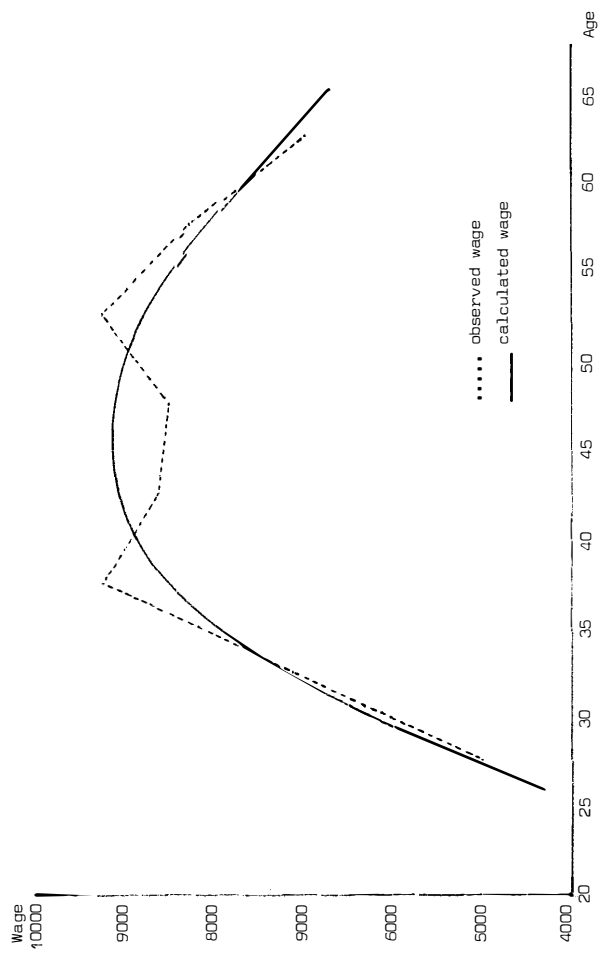
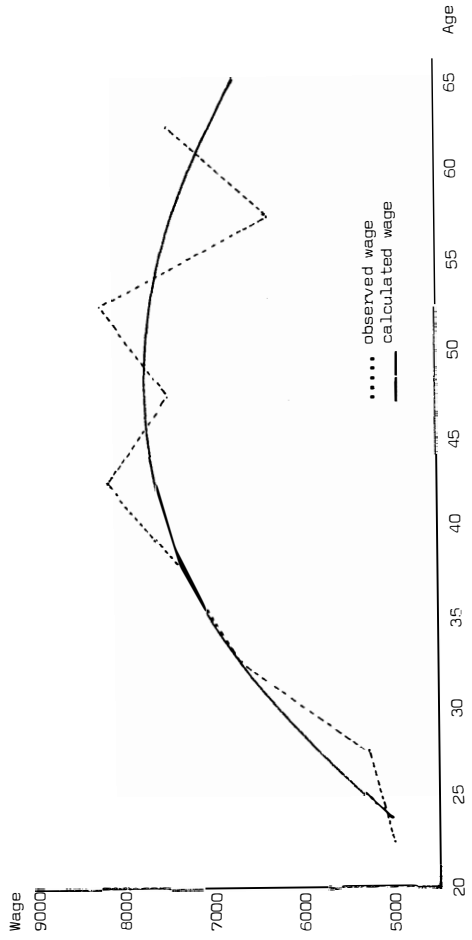
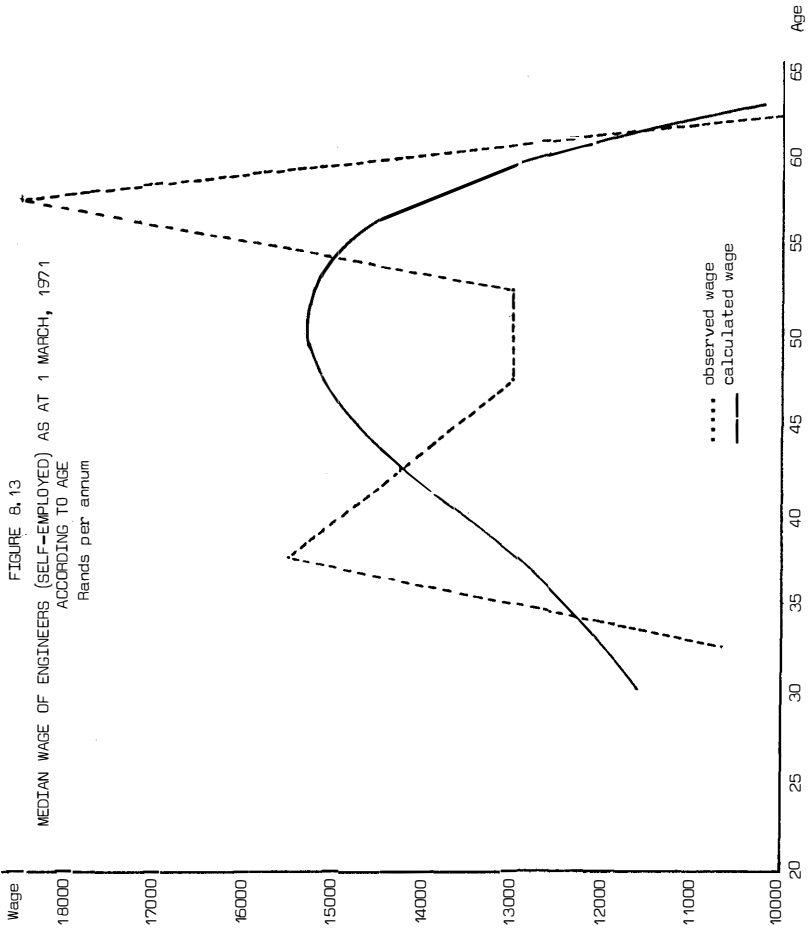
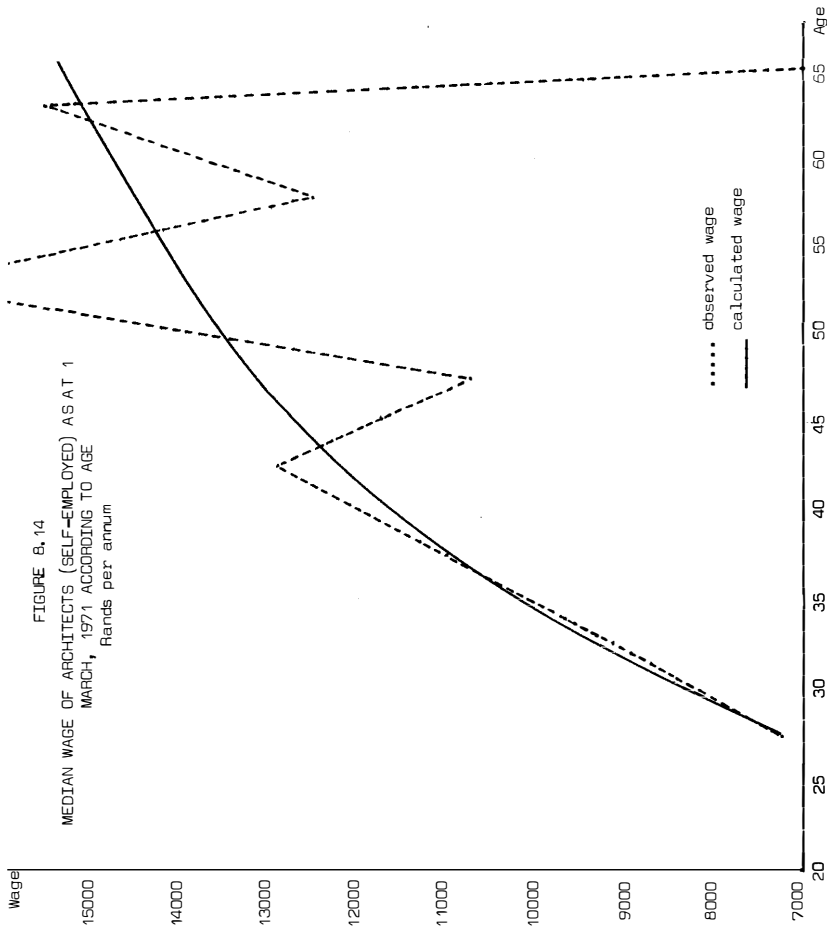


FIGURE 8. 12
 MEDIAN WAGE OF AUDITORS (EMPLOYEES) AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971 ACCORDING TO AGE
 Rands per annum







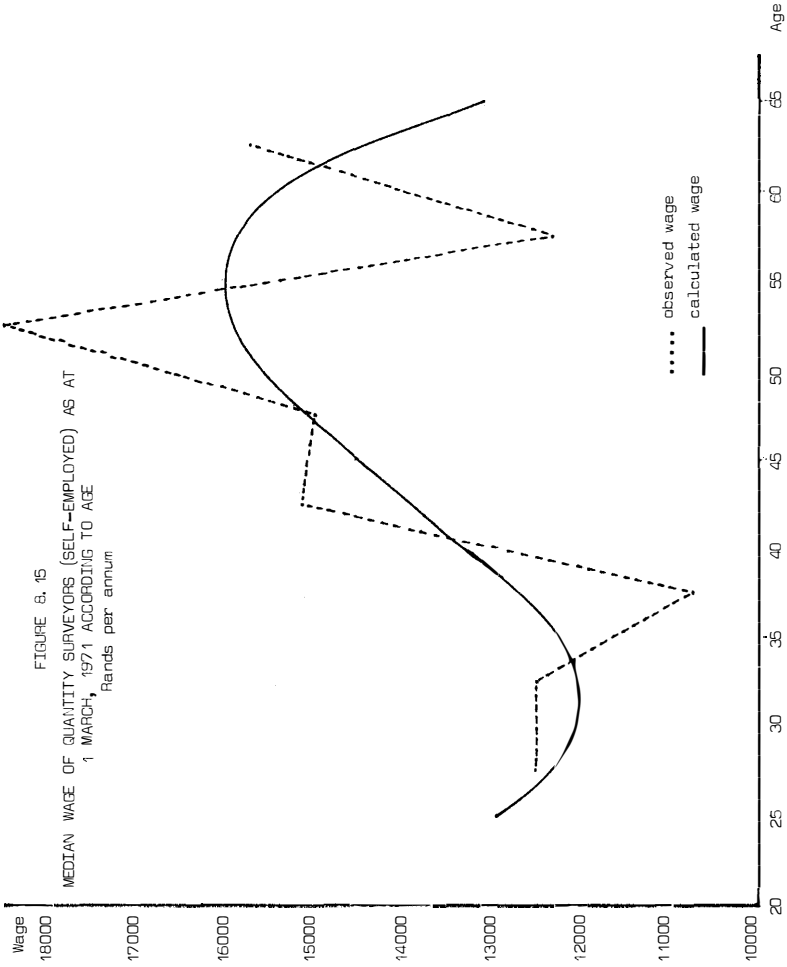


FIGURE 8. 15
 MEDIAN WAGE OF QUANTITY SURVEYORS (SELF-EMPLOYED) AS AT
 1 MARCH, 1971 ACCORDING TO AGE
 Rands per annum

FIGURE 8.16
MEDIAN WAGE OF SURVEYORS (SELF-EMPLOYED) AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971 ACCORDING TO AGE
Rands per annum

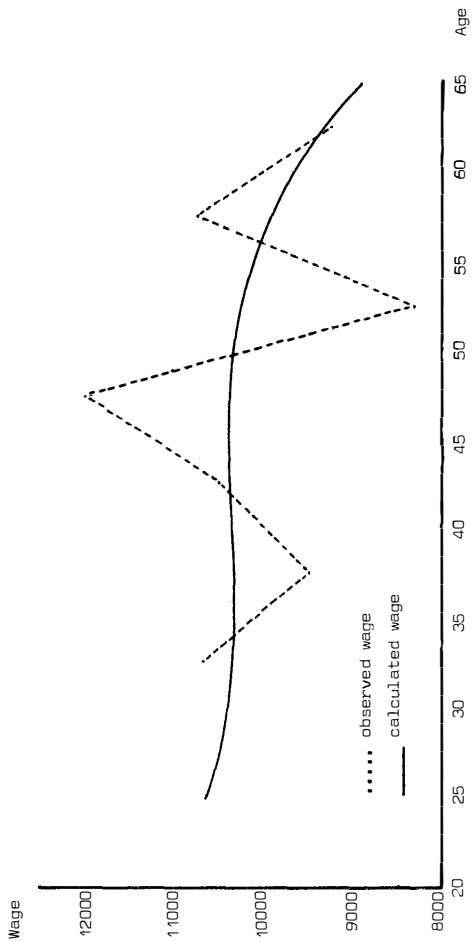


FIGURE 8.17
 MEDIAN WAGE OF VETERINARY SURGEONS (SELF-EMPLOYED) AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971 ACCORDING TO AGE
 Rands per annum

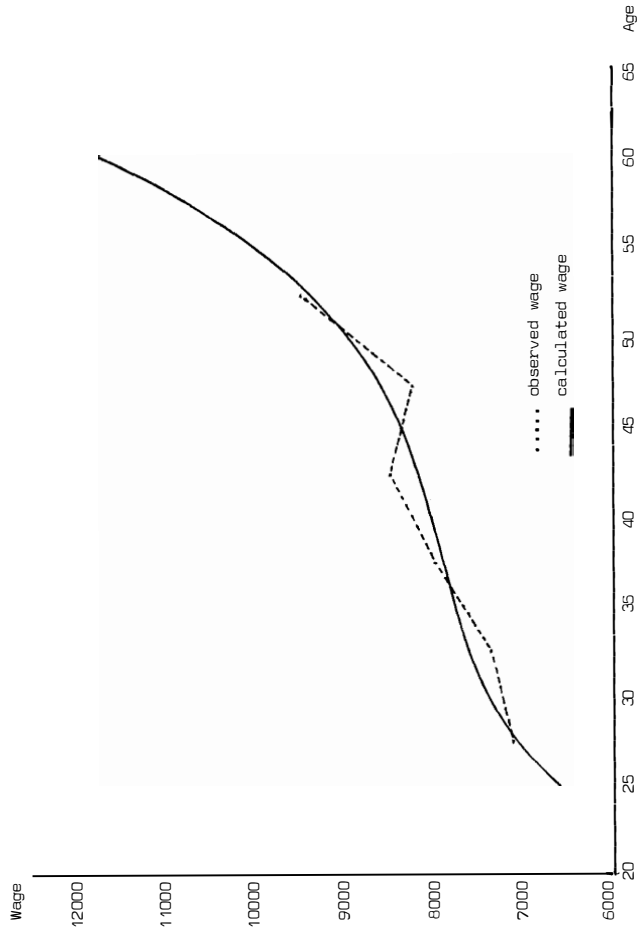


FIGURE 6, 18
MEDIAN WAGE OF GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS (SELF-EMPLOYED) AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971 ACCORDING TO AGE
Rands per annum

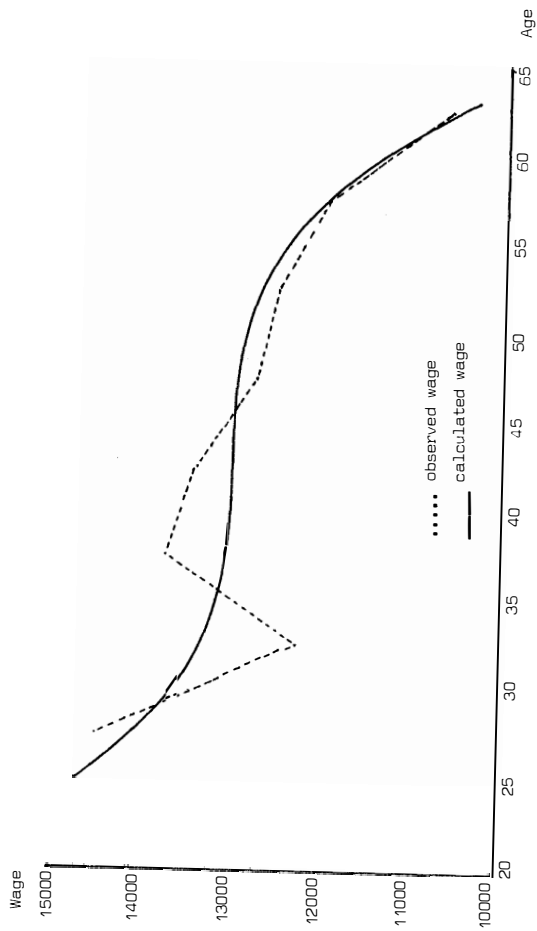


FIGURE 8.19
 MEDIAN WAGE OF MEDICAL SPECIALISTS (SELF-EMPLOYED) AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971 ACCORDING TO AGE
 Rands per annum

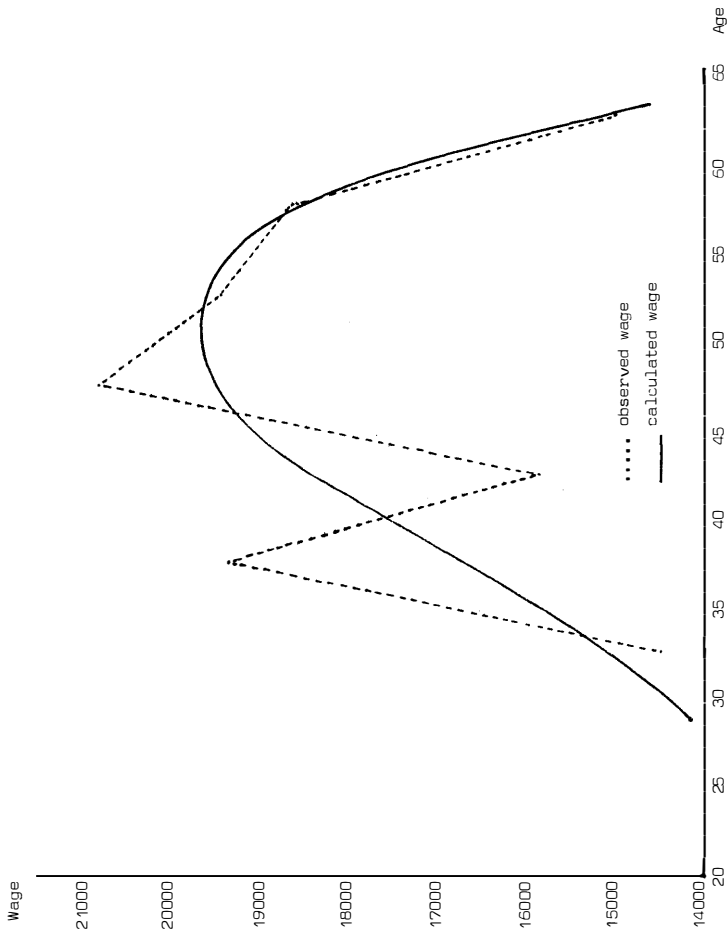
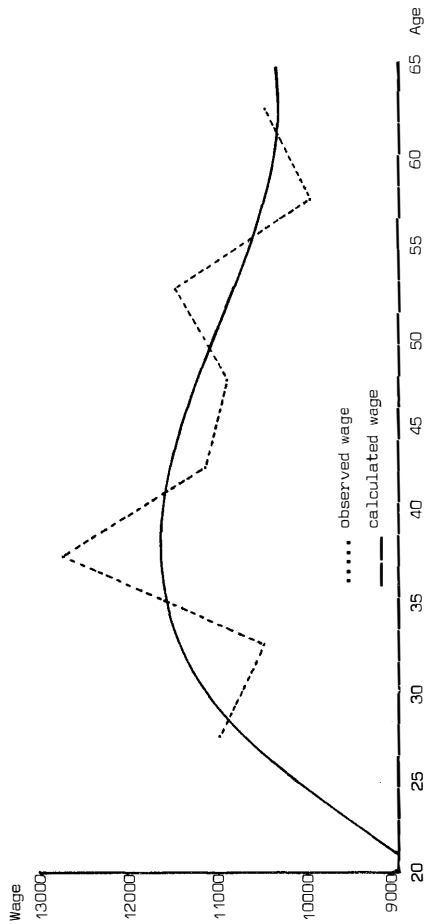


FIGURE 8.20
 MEDIAN WAGE OF DENTISTS (SELF-EMPLOYED) AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971 ACCORDING TO AGE
 Rends per annum



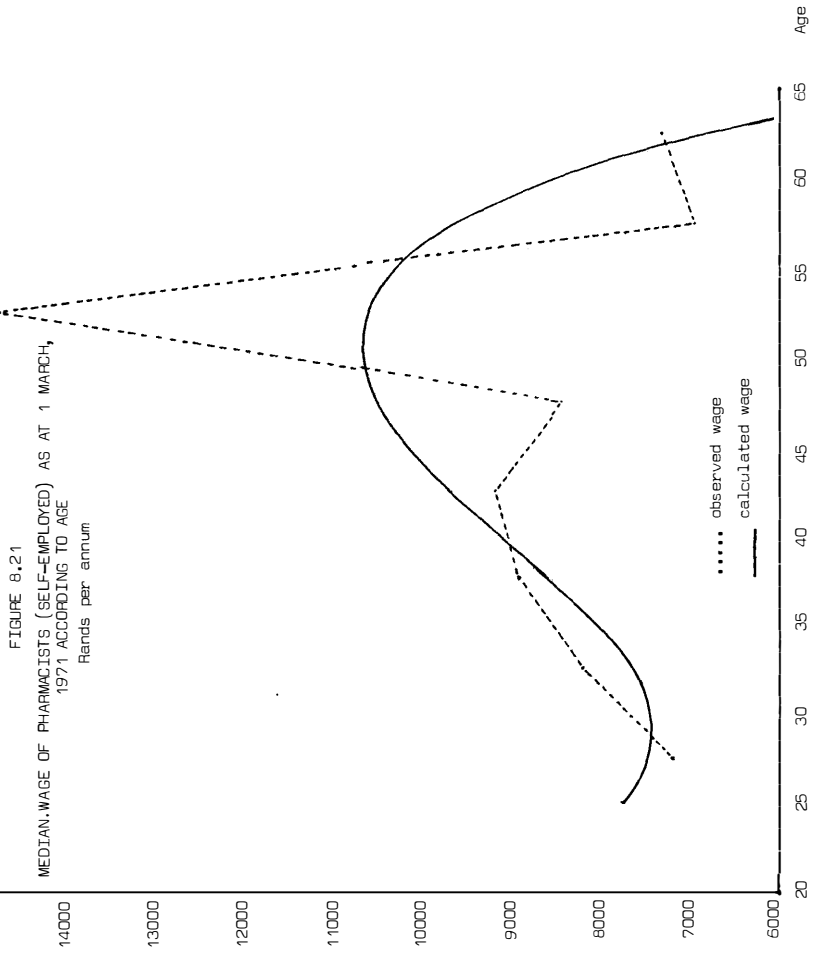


FIGURE 8.22
 MEDIAN WAGE OF ATTORNEYS (SELF-EMPLOYED) AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971 ACCORDING TO AGE
 Rands per annum

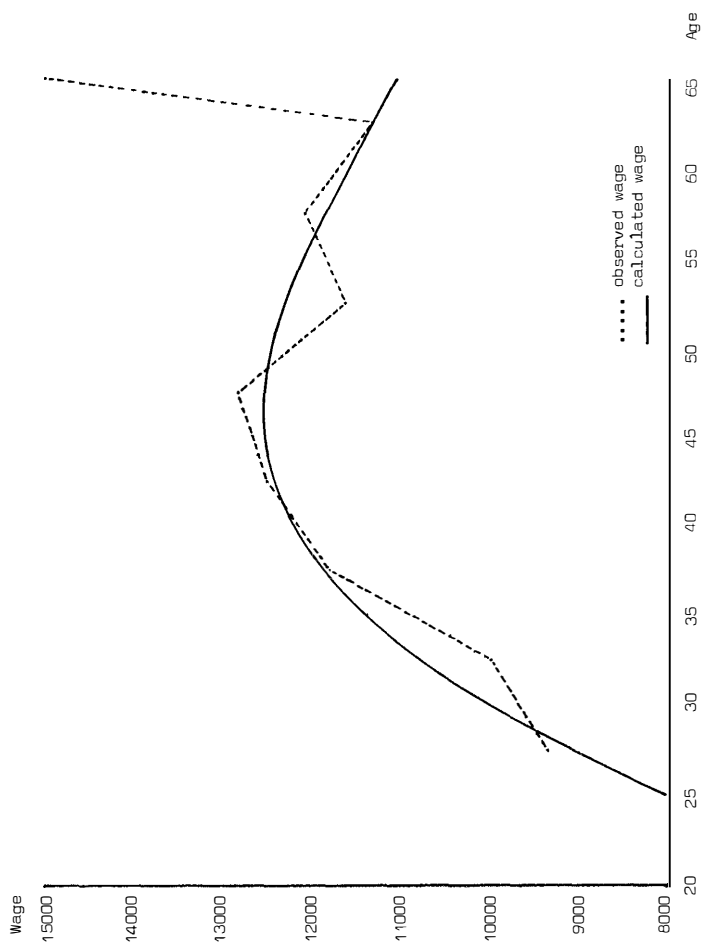


FIGURE 8.23
 MEDIAN WAGE OF ADVOCATES (SELF-EMPLOYED) AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971
 ACCORDING TO AGE
 Rands per annum

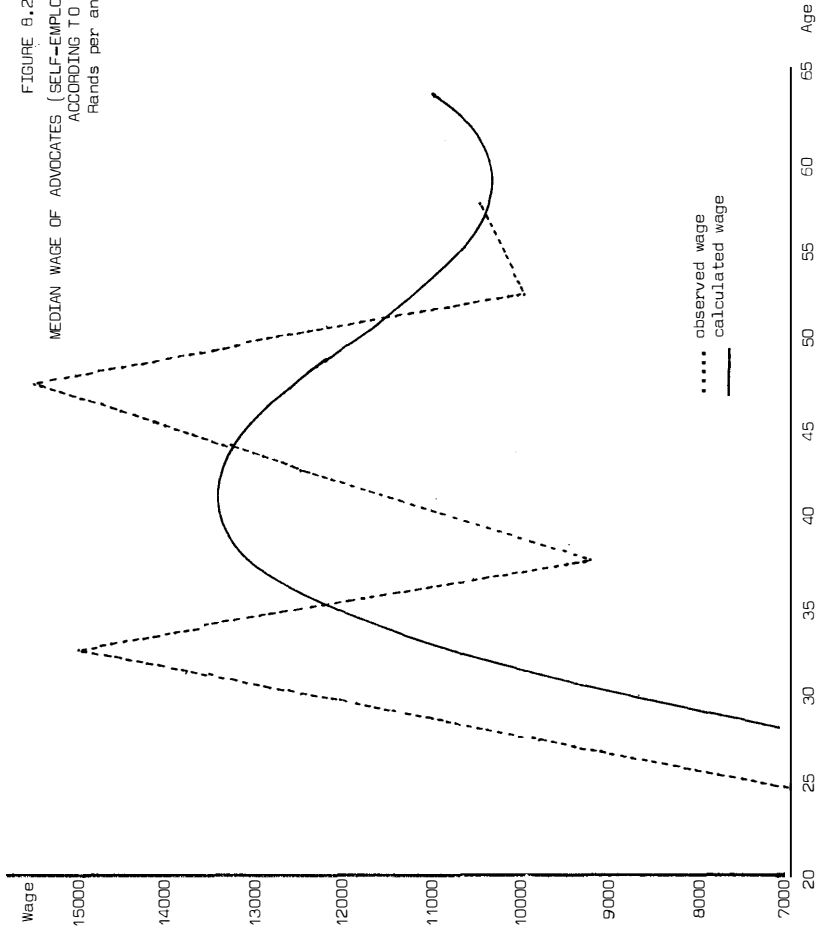


FIGURE 8.24
 MEDIAN WAGE OF AUDITORS (SELF-EMPLOYED) AS AT 1 MARCH,
 1971 ACCORDING TO AGE
 Rends per annum

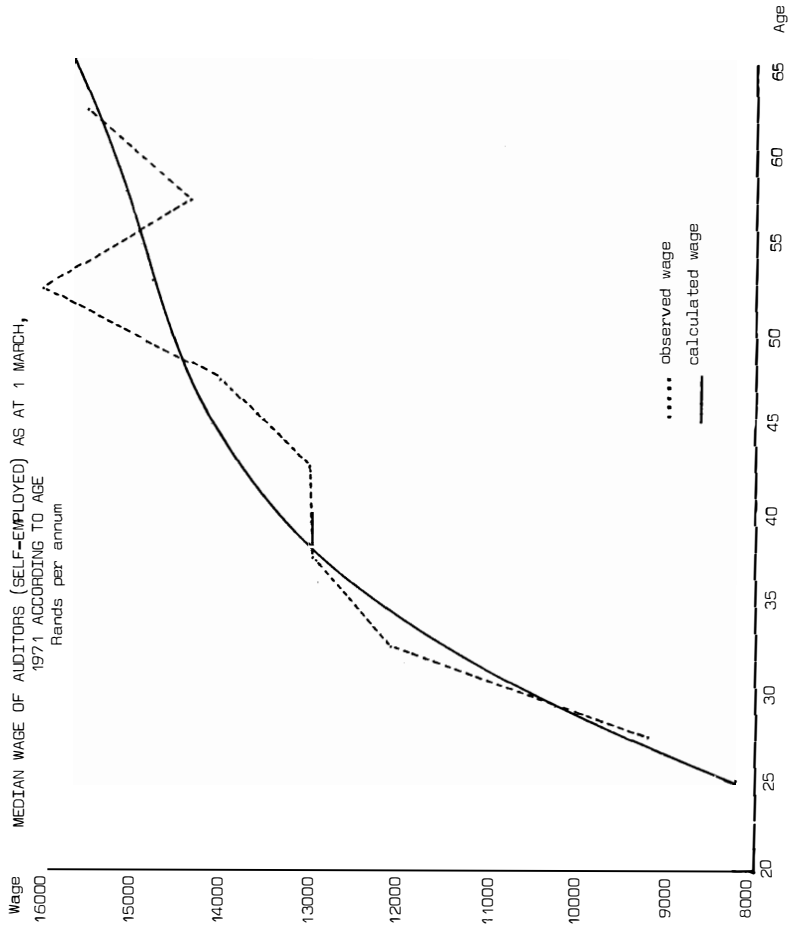


TABLE 8.2
REGRESSION VALUES OF THE MEDIAN WAGES ACCORDING TO AGE, OCCUPATIONAL STATUS AND PROFESSION
Rands per annum

Age	Engineer	Architect	Quantity surveyor	Surveyor	Veterinary surgeon	Gen. med. practitioner	Medical specialist	Dentist	Pharmacist	Attorney	Advocate	Auditor
23	4055	5371	3074	8471	4665			4920	5006	4229		
24	4397	5315	3746	8315	4805			5426	5045	4351	3041	5059
25	4721	5629	4353	8172	4933	5948		5983	5134	4484	3677	5302
26	5028	5873	4899	8044	5068	6013		6296	5211	4627	4672	5532
27	5316	6105	5386	7928	5211	6181		6665	5295	4781	4827	5749
28	5592	6323	5919	7825	5360	6353		6993	5381	4943	5043	5934
29	5852	6529	6520	7734	5513	6527		7330	5461	5091	5286	6126
30	6092	6723	7155	7659	5659	6697	6908	7764	5541	5241	5563	6326
31	6322	6901	6820	7595	5809	6872	7071	8096	5618	5374	6069	6595
32	6532	7065	7066	7530	5969	7053	7272	8228	5709	5563	6309	6851
33	6731	7225	7272	7484	6150	7228	7401	8325	5791	5856	7376	6977
34	6916	7369	7444	7447	6311	7401	7572	8425	5890	5956	7675	7197
35	7087	7500	7583	7421	6470	7572	7739	8525	6006	6052	7953	7354
36	7246	7620	7693	7403	6626	7739	8096	8606	6113	6251	8195	7514
37	7393	7728	7778	7395	6778	7903	8337	8664	6223	6451	8408	7668
38	7528	7824	7840	7395	6926	8062	8547	8803	6303	6652	8693	7830
39	7651	7909	7894	7402	7067	8216	8728	8825	6380	7052	8750	7942
40	7764	7983	7911	7418	7202	8364	8984	8832	6461	7250	8881	8014
41	7865	8046	7926	7441	7329	8505	9084	8826	6520	7444	8987	8076
42	7957	8098	7931	7470	7446	8638	9115	8810	6596	7634	9068	8159
43	8040	8139	7930	7506	7554	8763	9121	8810	6673	7820	9127	8213
44	8113	8169	7926	7548	7650	8879	9121	8810	6754	8000	9179	8284
45	8177	8189	7922	7595	7734	8984	9121	8810	6841	8173	9179	8354
46	8233	8198	7923	7647	7805	9080	9121	8810	6926	8338	9175	8424
47	8282	8197	7930	7704	7862	9163	9121	8810	7003	8495	9151	8494
48	8323	8186	7947	7765	7903	9235	9121	8810	7086	8643	9111	8564
49	8357	8165	7977	7830	7927	9294	9121	8810	7169	8780	9053	8634
50	8384	8135	8024	7899	7935	9339	9121	8810	7252	8906	8980	8704
51	8406	8094	8091	7970	7923	9370	9121	8810	7335	9019	8892	8773
52	8422	8044	8161	8045	7892	9386	9121	8810	7418	9120	8791	8846
53	8433	7995	8237	8121	7841	9386	9121	8810	7501	9207	8662	8919
54	8440	7937	8345	8199	7786	9369	9121	8810	7584	9286	8526	8994
55	8447	7831	8462	8263	7729	9330	9121	8810	7667	9363	8417	9073
56	8441	7752	8537	8359	7652	9283	9121	8810	7750	9434	8217	9159
57	8435	7657	8601	8440	7407	9211	9121	8810	7833	9504	8272	9249
58	8429	7553	8688	8521	7236	9121	9121	8810	7916	9598	7959	9334
59	8419	7440	8731	8601	7039	9010	9121	8810	8000	9703	7793	9423
60	8407	7320	8781	8677	6877	8877	9121	8810	8083	9826	7622	9514
61	8394	7190	8850	8750	6758	8723	9121	8810	8166	9944	7447	9607
62	8379	7053	8927	8837	6646	8546	9121	8810	8249	9986	7269	9701
63	8365	6908	9016	8913	6546	8346	9121	8810	8332	9994	7089	9794
64	8350	6759	9099	8965	6459	8165	9121	8810	8415	9994	6991	9884
65	8333	6594	9233	9055	6387	7973	9121	8810	8498	9981	6821	9978

TABLE 8.2 (CONTINUED)

Age	Self-employed persons											
	Engineer	Architect	Quantity surveyor	Surveyor	Veterinary surgeon	Gen. med. practitioner	Medical specialist	Dentist	Pharmacist	Attorney	Advocate	Auditor
23	12931		13773	10811	6129			9589	6535	5901		
24	12560	5433	13335	10723	6192	14714		9989	753	741	205	7689
25	12560	5966	12536	10416	6390	14714		10159	7756	7948	1992	8241
26	12560	6278	12666	10589	6785	14714		10450	7596	8423	1922	8762
27	11857	6967	12241	10523	6959	14213		10624	7493	8856	5101	9252
28	11762	7433	12241	10475	7113	14036		10820	7437	9279	6434	9713
29	11712	7879	12114	10435	7249	13825		10992	7426	9663	7629	10147
30	11712	8304	12038	10403	7369	13668	4392	11142	7456	10019	6691	10553
31	11758	8709	12010	10378	7475	13534	4652	11271	7522	10345	9627	10932
32	11846	9095	12026	10359	7568	13421	4936	11380	7622	10645	10444	11287
33	11970	9462	12081	10346	7649	13327	5241	11470	7751	10920	11147	11618
34	12127	9812	12174	10338	7721	13251	5562	11561	7905	11169	11926	11926
35	12312	10144	12299	10334	7785	13190	5896	11596	8081	11393	12238	12212
36	12519	10459	12453	10334	7843	13142	6238	11634	8275	11594	12639	12477
37	12746	10759	12633	10336	7897	13106	6586	11657	8483	11773	12952	12722
38	12986	11043	12835	10341	7996	12081	6931	11666	8701	11930	13183	12948
39	13236	11313	13055	10348	7996	13063	7281	11663	8926	12065	13338	13156
40	13471	11568	13289	10356	8046	13052	7620	11647	9154	12181	13425	13347
41	13747	11811	13781	10371	8098	13045	7949	11620	9380	12278	13449	13522
42	14241	12258	14042	10378	8215	13038	8283	11584	9602	12356	13416	13663
43	14470	12464	14298	10382	8283	13035	8559	11538	9815	12416	13416	13830
44	14682	12659	14550	10385	8351	13028	8833	11485	10015	12460	13207	13964
45	14871	12845	14794	10384	8448	13017	9081	11358	10200	12488	13043	14066
46	15033	13021	15028	10380	8548	12999	9463	11287	10364	12501	12848	14197
47	15164	13188	15246	10372	8652	12974	9830	11213	10504	12500	12629	14299
48	15259	13347	15446	10358	8791	12938	10175	11067	10617	12486	12390	14392
49	15313	13498	15623	10339	8937	12891	10485	11056	10698	12459	12140	14478
50	15322	13643	15775	10313	9102	12830	10797	11056	10745	12421	11685	14556
51	15282	13781	15897	10280	9286	12760	10927	10752	10829	11902	11629	14639
52	15177	13914	16014	10266	9486	12650	11181	10746	10916	12181	11581	14688
53	15047	14087	16098	10191	9728	12547	11485	10633	11016	12246	11146	14763
54	14897	14166	16049	10134	9965	12414	11827	10522	10801	12170	10930	14825
55	14532	14287	16017	10065	10270	12257	12071	10671	10314	12087	10741	14886
56	14175	14404	15936	9989	10583	12077	12557	10603	10070	11997	10584	14947
57	13741	14519	15804	9900	10927	11870	12677	10541	9763	11902	10465	15007
58	13225	14633	15616	9800	11303	11634	12677	10485	9391	11802	10391	15070
59	12623	14745	15370	9697	11713	11369	12677	10437	8950	11699	10369	15105
60	11931	14858	15061	9561	12158	11072	12677	10397	8435	11592	10403	15203
61	11143	14970	14666	9422	12641	10742	12677	10367	7843	11483	10503	15277
62	10255	15084	14241	9268	13162	10376	12677	10349	7171	11373	10672	15355
63	8163	15197	13722	9099	13724	10344	12677	10344	6414	11263	10918	15441
64												
65			13125	8915	14329	9973	12612	10362	4632	11044	11655	15636

It would appear from Table 8.2 and Figures 8.1 to 8.24 that the form of only 13 of the wage/age curves of the 24 groups corresponds approximately with the type of curve which is regarded as "normal" for wage/age curves, viz an initial positive slope up to approximately 40-50 years, followed by an eventual negative slope (see, among others, Terblanche 4, 11 Woytinski 5,446 and Blaug 6, 4).

Apart from the initial negative slope in the curves for self-employed surveyors, quantity surveyors and pharmacists, these three also follow the so-called normal pattern. However, the initial negative slope is due to the manner in which the fitting technique modifies later decreases in the observed wages.

In the case of self-employed architects, veterinary surgeons and auditors as well as employed dentists, medical specialists, quantity surveyors and, for all practical purposes, surveyors as well, it would appear that, according to Table 8.2 and Figures 8.1 to 8.24, that the curves rise throughout their occupational careers. However, such a phenomenon in a developing or growing national economy in the case of highly specialised occupations can certainly not be rejected out of hand as being abnormal. It may be that the demand for the services of the workers concerned has increased to such an extent in the recent past that it has either cancelled or at least delayed the decrease which usually begins to appear between the ages of 40 and 50 years. In some cases, the number of followers of the seven professions at the higher ages is so small that the wage rates concerned must be assessed with circumspection, especially in the case of employed surveyors where the exclusion of two outlying wage returns in the 60-65 year age group caused the last phase of the curve to rise instead of fall.

The only curve which is apparently altogether unacceptable at a first glance is that for self-employed general medical practitioners which falls continuously from the beginning to the end (see Figure 8.18). There are, however, a number of possible explanations for the unusual progress of the curve. Firstly, it may be that the younger medical practitioners are not yet fully aware of their actual costs, with the result that they overestimate their net profit. Secondly, it is possible that young medical practitioners work so hard that they do not have the time to keep abreast of new developments in their particular fields and consequently lose patients as they grow older. A third possibility is that they are not able to work as hard or such long hours as younger doctors as they grow older. A further possibility is that their income from other sources (interest and dividends) increases to such an extent as the years go by

that they are able to maintain their total income in spite of the fact that they have considerably fewer patients and work much shorter hours, thus earning a much lower income from their profession than previously. The progressive taxation scales of the Republic of South Africa, in the last instance, cause leisure time for workers in the higher income groups to become so cheap, by virtue of the fact that so little income is surrendered after taxation when their taxable income has decreased, that it is possible that general medical practitioners will attach increasing value to leisure time as they grow older and consequently do less and less work. This will particularly be the case if their income from other sources should increase at the same time. However, unless it is assumed that in their early professional years they work more hours per week, on the average, than the followers of all other professions, none of the above-mentioned reasons explain why the phenomenon is found among general medical practitioners only.

In the light of the fact that the wage figures concerned are based on the returns received from a relatively large number of self-employed general practitioners (459), the curve will be accepted as being descriptive of the wage expectations of a typical self-employed general medical practitioner.

The expected wage receipt flow for a seventeen-year-old male person who has just matriculated, will train for one of the twelve professions and will then pursue the profession in his own practice or the service of an employer until the end of his 65th year was calculated on the basis of the data in Tables 7.1 to 8.2.

An analysis of the 24 calculated wage receipt flows without taking income tax into account appears in Table 8.3.

The wage receipts in Table 8.3 were calculated by adding the incomes (Tables 7.4 and 8.2) together and subtracting the costs and forfeited incomes (Tables 7.2 and 7.3) from this amount.

8.3 THE INFLUENCE OF INCOME TAX ON THE CALCULATED WAGE RECEIPT FLOWS

As can be seen in Tables 8.2 and 8.3, there are considerable differences in the wages which the followers of the various professions can earn in the same year of life. It is also known that the income tax scales of the Republic of South Africa are extremely progressive.

TABLE 8.3
 CALCULATED WAGE RECEIPTS (POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE) BEFORE DEDUCTION OF INCOME TAX ACCORDING TO PROFESSION, AGE AND OCCUPATIONAL STATUS
 (cents per annum)

Age	Employees											
	Engineer	Architect	Quantity surveyor	Surveyor	Veterinary surgeon	Gen. med. practitioner	Medical specialist	Dentist	Pharmacist	Attorney	Advocate	Auditor
18	-1090	-1770	-1720	-1790	-1940	-1770	-1770	-1770	-1770	-1770	-1770	-1770
19	-1910	-1890	-	-1910	-1940	-1970	-1970	-1970	-1970	-1970	-1970	-1970
20	-2030	-2010	-450	-2030	-2100	-2090	-2090	-2100	-2100	-2100	-2100	-2100
21	-2150	-2130	1830	-2150	-2210	-2210	-2210	-2210	-2210	-2210	-2210	-2210
22	-2270	-2250	3600	-2270	-2340	-2330	-2330	-2340	-2340	-2340	-2340	-2340
23	-2400	-2380	5370	-2400	-2470	-2460	-2460	-2470	-2470	-2470	-2470	-2470
24	-2520	-2500	7140	-2520	-2590	-2580	-2580	-2590	-2590	-2590	-2590	-2590
25	-2640	-2620	8910	-2640	-2710	-2700	-2700	-2710	-2710	-2710	-2710	-2710
26	-2760	-2740	10680	-2760	-2830	-2820	-2820	-2830	-2830	-2830	-2830	-2830
27	-2880	-2860	12450	-2880	-2950	-2940	-2940	-2950	-2950	-2950	-2950	-2950
28	-3000	-2980	14220	-3000	-3070	-3060	-3060	-3070	-3070	-3070	-3070	-3070
29	-3120	-3100	15990	-3120	-3190	-3180	-3180	-3190	-3190	-3190	-3190	-3190
30	-3240	-3220	17760	-3240	-3310	-3300	-3300	-3310	-3310	-3310	-3310	-3310
31	-3360	-3340	19530	-3360	-3430	-3420	-3420	-3430	-3430	-3430	-3430	-3430
32	-3480	-3460	21300	-3480	-3550	-3540	-3540	-3550	-3550	-3550	-3550	-3550
33	-3600	-3580	23070	-3600	-3670	-3660	-3660	-3670	-3670	-3670	-3670	-3670
34	-3720	-3700	24840	-3720	-3790	-3780	-3780	-3790	-3790	-3790	-3790	-3790
35	-3840	-3820	26610	-3840	-3910	-3900	-3900	-3910	-3910	-3910	-3910	-3910
36	-3960	-3940	28380	-3960	-4030	-4020	-4020	-4030	-4030	-4030	-4030	-4030
37	-4080	-4060	30150	-4080	-4150	-4140	-4140	-4150	-4150	-4150	-4150	-4150
38	-4200	-4180	31920	-4200	-4270	-4260	-4260	-4270	-4270	-4270	-4270	-4270
39	-4320	-4300	33690	-4320	-4390	-4380	-4380	-4390	-4390	-4390	-4390	-4390
40	-4440	-4420	35460	-4440	-4510	-4500	-4500	-4510	-4510	-4510	-4510	-4510
41	-4560	-4540	37230	-4560	-4630	-4620	-4620	-4630	-4630	-4630	-4630	-4630
42	-4680	-4660	39000	-4680	-4750	-4740	-4740	-4750	-4750	-4750	-4750	-4750
43	-4800	-4780	40770	-4800	-4870	-4860	-4860	-4870	-4870	-4870	-4870	-4870
44	-4920	-4900	42540	-4920	-4990	-4980	-4980	-4990	-4990	-4990	-4990	-4990
45	-5040	-5020	44310	-5040	-5110	-5100	-5100	-5110	-5110	-5110	-5110	-5110
46	-5160	-5140	46080	-5160	-5230	-5220	-5220	-5230	-5230	-5230	-5230	-5230
47	-5280	-5260	47850	-5280	-5350	-5340	-5340	-5350	-5350	-5350	-5350	-5350
48	-5400	-5380	49620	-5400	-5470	-5460	-5460	-5470	-5470	-5470	-5470	-5470
49	-5520	-5500	51390	-5520	-5590	-5580	-5580	-5590	-5590	-5590	-5590	-5590
50	-5640	-5620	53160	-5640	-5710	-5700	-5700	-5710	-5710	-5710	-5710	-5710
51	-5760	-5740	54930	-5760	-5830	-5820	-5820	-5830	-5830	-5830	-5830	-5830
52	-5880	-5860	56700	-5880	-5950	-5940	-5940	-5950	-5950	-5950	-5950	-5950
53	-6000	-5980	58470	-6000	-6070	-6060	-6060	-6070	-6070	-6070	-6070	-6070
54	-6120	-6100	60240	-6120	-6190	-6180	-6180	-6190	-6190	-6190	-6190	-6190
55	-6240	-6220	62010	-6240	-6310	-6300	-6300	-6310	-6310	-6310	-6310	-6310
56	-6360	-6340	63780	-6360	-6430	-6420	-6420	-6430	-6430	-6430	-6430	-6430
57	-6480	-6460	65550	-6480	-6550	-6540	-6540	-6550	-6550	-6550	-6550	-6550
58	-6600	-6580	67320	-6600	-6670	-6660	-6660	-6670	-6670	-6670	-6670	-6670
59	-6720	-6700	69090	-6720	-6790	-6780	-6780	-6790	-6790	-6790	-6790	-6790
60	-6840	-6820	70860	-6840	-6910	-6900	-6900	-6910	-6910	-6910	-6910	-6910
61	-6960	-6940	72630	-6960	-7030	-7020	-7020	-7030	-7030	-7030	-7030	-7030
62	-7080	-7060	74400	-7080	-7150	-7140	-7140	-7150	-7150	-7150	-7150	-7150
63	-7200	-7180	76170	-7200	-7270	-7260	-7260	-7270	-7270	-7270	-7270	-7270
64	-7320	-7300	77940	-7320	-7390	-7380	-7380	-7390	-7390	-7390	-7390	-7390
65	-7440	-7420	79710	-7440	-7510	-7500	-7500	-7510	-7510	-7510	-7510	-7510

TABLE B.3 (CONTINUED)
Self-employed persons

Age	Engineer	Architect	Quantity surveyor	Surveyor	Veterinary surgeon	Gen. med. practitioner	Medical specialist	Dentist	Pharmacist	Attorney	Advocate	Auditor
18	-1790	-1670	-1770	-1790	-1770	-1770	-1770	-1770	-1770	-1050	-1740	-220
19	-1910	-1690	-1690	-1910	-1960	-1970	-1970	-1960	-1690	-930	-1660	-100
20	-2030	-2010	-450	-2030	-2100	-2090	-2090	-1960	-2100	-690	-1660	180
21	-2150	-2130	930	-2130	-2200	-2190	-2190	-2100	-2100	-690	-1660	2060
22	-2270	-2250	1860	-2250	-2340	-2330	-2330	-2340	-2340	-360	-3060	2300
23	1230	4200	3373	10811	6120	-2450	-2450	9599	6235	6901	-3210	2900
24	2450	5433	13335	10723	6392	4050	4050	9589	6963	7441	205	7689
25	12252	5967	129666	10646	6590	14714	-148	10159	7752	7948	1932	6241
26	12032	6478	126664	10520	6785	14449	-153	10404	7896	8462	3622	6762
27	11857	6967	12423	10563	6959	14213	6160	10624	7493	8826	5101	9252
28	11762	7433	12241	10475	7113	14006	6590	10820	7437	9279	6434	9713
29	11742	7879	12114	10435	7249	13925	6990	10920	7426	9563	7629	10147
30	11742	8304	12038	10403	7369	13668	14392	11142	7456	10016	10593	10382
31	11756	8709	12010	10378	7504	13524	14926	11182	7522	10435	10651	10432
32	11762	9135	11986	10352	7648	13371	14926	11182	7522	10645	10444	10387
33	11927	9465	12096	10346	7769	13327	15241	11470	7751	10920	11147	11616
34	12127	9812	12174	10338	7721	13251	15562	11561	7905	11169	11743	11926
35	12312	10144	12299	10334	7765	13190	15696	11596	8081	11393	12238	12212
36	12519	10459	12453	10334	7843	13142	16238	11634	8275	11594	12639	12477
37	12746	10759	12633	10336	7897	13106	16586	11657	8483	11773	12952	12722
38	12986	11043	12835	10341	7947	13081	16935	11665	8701	11930	13163	12948
39	13236	11313	13055	10348	7996	13063	17281	11663	8926	12065	13368	13166
40	13491	11568	13289	10356	8046	13052	17530	11657	9154	12191	13527	13347
41	13751	11817	13534	10364	8100	13043	17783	11657	9384	12319	13819	13522
42	13996	12040	13767	10371	8154	13041	18263	11594	9602	12466	14069	13663
43	14241	12258	14042	10378	8215	13038	18559	11538	9815	12416	13383	13830
44	14470	12464	14298	10382	8283	13035	18833	11486	10015	12460	13207	13964
45	14682	12659	14590	10385	8361	13028	19081	11424	10200	12468	13043	14066
46	14871	12845	14794	10384	8448	13017	19299	11366	10364	12501	12968	14269
47	15064	13028	14999	10383	8536	13010	19529	11304	10514	12501	12968	14439
48	15164	13188	15246	10379	8622	12974	19760	11243	10617	12486	12390	14592
49	15269	13347	15446	10356	8711	12938	19735	11193	10698	12459	12140	14778
50	15313	13498	15623	10339	8807	12891	19795	11056	10745	12421	11685	14956
51	15322	13643	15775	10313	8902	12830	19805	10877	10752	12372	11629	14629
52	15282	13791	15967	10280	9006	12764	19763	10697	10716	12313	11381	14699
53	15187	13974	15966	10240	9096	12650	19663	10619	10634	12246	11146	14763
54	15034	14043	16038	10191	9228	12547	19502	10743	10501	12170	10930	14825
55	14817	14166	16049	10134	9365	12414	19277	10671	10314	12067	10741	14886
56	14532	14287	16017	10066	9509	12287	18963	10603	10070	11997	10516	14977
57	14175	14404	15936	9969	10683	12077	18677	10541	9763	11862	10361	15007
58	13801	14514	15761	9871	11870	11870	18417	10437	9560	11692	10399	15070
59	13225	14633	15516	9700	13063	11674	17651	10339	9360	11699	10369	15203
60	12623	14745	15370	9567	14713	11369	17044	10367	9435	11592	10404	15203
61	11931	14858	15061	9451	16072	11072	16562	10376	9435	11592	10404	15203
62	11143	14970	14686	9422	17441	10742	15562	10347	9435	11373	10672	15355
63	10255	15084	14211	9218	18362	10376	14679	10339	9435	11253	10749	15355
64	9373	15211	13973	8973	19273	10362	13714	10339	9435	11044	10919	15355
65	8163	15317	13182	8915	19329	10362	12612	10362	9435	11044	11655	15636

Progressive scales of taxation result in the fact that a large percentage of the difference between the incomes of two persons can be wiped out by the payment of income tax. If, for example, the first has a professional career of 36 years and earns a high wage, as in the case of a medical specialist in this investigation, and the second person has a professional career of 43 years with considerably lower wages, as in the case of an attorney in this investigation, the total wage of the first person throughout his entire professional career will be much less than that of the second after deduction of income tax, although their total wages were more or less the same before tax was deducted.

It is thus deemed advisable to take income tax into account when the profitability, particularly the relative profitability of the twelve professions, is calculated. After consultations with officials of the office of the Secretary of Inland Revenue it was decided to calculate income tax on the basis of the annual PAYE deductions made in 1972. It was assumed for this purpose that all followers of the twelve professions enter into matrimony in their 24th year, that they all have two children, the first of whom is born when his father is 26 years of age and the second when the parent is 28. It was also assumed that all children will be dependent on their parents for 23 years so that rebates on income tax can be claimed for each child for this period. The expected wage receipt flows, after income tax has been taken into account, for a 17-year-old person who, under the same circumstances mentioned in par. 8.2 might enter each of the twelve professions and remain there until the conclusion of his 65th year appear in Table 8.4.

9 THE CASH VALUE OF THE EXPECTED WAGE RECEIPT FLOWS

9.1 THE DISCOUNT RATE

The rate of interest at which an expected income flow is discounted can make a great difference to the size of its cash value. It is for this reason that a discount rate is always a contentious matter. The fact should be borne in mind that a choice must be made on a matter, the actual outcome of which will only be known with certainty in 48 years' time. In addition, fault can be found for one reason or another, with literally any rate which is chosen.

Since the choice of a discount rate in a study of this kind is, however, essential, it was decided, after consultations with a number of monetary experts, that 6 per cent per annum will be regarded as a reasonable rate at which the expected income

TABLE B.4
 CALCULATED WAGE RECEIPTS (POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE) AFTER DEDUCTION OF INCOME TAX, ACCORDING TO PROFESSION, AGE AND OCCUPATIONAL STATUS
 Bands per annum

Age	Employees											
	Engineer	Architect	Quantity surveyor	Surveyor	Veterinary surgeon	Gen. med. practitioner	Medical specialist	Dentist	Pharmacist	Attorney	Advocate	Auditor
18	-1682	-1662	-1662	-1692	-1662	-1662	-1662	-1662	-1662	-948	-1632	-202
19	-1730	-1770	-1790	-1790	-1860	-1850	-1850	-1850	-1770	-1648	-1740	-
20	-1698	-1678	-1678	-1698	-1958	-1958	-1958	-1958	-1878	-1848	-1848	1637
21	-1967	-1947	-1947	-1967	-2037	-2027	-2027	-2027	-1947	-1947	-2616	1840
22	-2052	-2052	2144	2164	-2142	-2132	-2132	-2132	-174	-282	-2744	2051
23	3859	3717	3696	3696	4063	3836	3836	3836	4300	3676	-2870	2360
24	4359	4217	4196	4196	4563	4336	4336	4336	4800	4186	-3870	2860
25	4269	5045	4969	4969	4475	5227	5227	5227	4644	3381	4772	-
26	4616	5311	5205	5205	4648	5425	5425	5425	4767	3959	5033	-
27	4857	5499	4918	4918	4767	5566	5566	5566	4042	4442	5214	-
28	5151	5748	5338	5338	4952	5769	5769	5769	4978	4605	4944	-
29	5369	5918	5651	5651	5080	5916	5916	5916	5057	4745	5341	-
30	5562	6073	5822	5822	5213	6054	6054	6054	5140	4898	5698	-
31	5721	6213	5979	5979	5369	6200	6200	6200	5280	5057	5971	-
32	5821	6349	6177	6177	5477	6333	6333	6333	5318	5207	6013	-
33	6083	6474	6510	6510	5611	6477	6477	6477	5410	5369	6593	-
34	6228	6596	6651	6651	5736	6608	6608	6608	5485	5522	6832	-
35	6367	6697	6758	6758	5868	6747	6747	6747	5574	5686	7032	-
36	6485	6785	6845	6845	5998	6885	6885	6885	5661	5849	7212	-
37	6570	6870	6930	6930	6128	6995	6995	6995	5746	5936	7416	-
38	6715	6940	6995	6995	6238	7103	7103	7103	5830	6175	7506	-
39	6803	6997	6609	6609	6347	7220	7220	7220	5909	6332	7623	-
40	6891	7062	7003	7003	6451	7332	7332	7332	5983	6499	7713	-
41	6968	7098	6648	6648	6557	7432	7432	7432	6058	6651	7793	-
42	7036	7139	6667	6667	6653	7538	7538	7538	6115	6797	7845	-
43	7092	7167	7022	7022	6729	7623	7623	7623	6176	6956	7891	-
44	7141	7191	7111	7111	6815	7700	7700	7700	6235	7116	7941	-
45	7184	7205	7014	7014	6870	7770	7770	7770	6295	7190	7929	-
46	7215	7215	7015	7015	6921	7857	7857	7857	6354	7318	7925	-
47	7237	7214	7022	7022	6965	7913	7913	7913	6413	7436	7901	-
48	7203	7203	7039	6892	6995	7971	7971	7971	6478	7475	7891	-
49	7085	7085	6951	6841	6914	7902	7902	7902	6543	7538	7721	-
50	7049	7049	6915	6807	6832	7832	7832	7832	6609	7589	7679	-
51	6985	6985	6850	6742	6806	7762	7762	7762	6679	7649	7679	-
52	7172	6904	6993	6905	6932	7847	7847	7847	6750	7650	7650	-
53	7163	6808	7088	6953	6754	7847	7847	7847	6819	7650	7436	-
54	7190	6653	7193	7017	6695	7830	7830	7830	6882	7716	7382	-
55	7192	6751	7313	7059	6636	7814	7814	7814	6959	7772	7258	-
56	7191	6679	7468	7123	6532	7777	7777	7777	7013	7835	7167	-
57	7196	6611	7646	7190	6424	7646	7646	7646	7073	7835	7063	-
58	6533	6849	7542	7181	6315	7542	7542	7542	7102	7856	6951	-
59	7169	6561	7690	7260	6200	7466	7466	7466	7162	7852	6926	-
60	7157	6361	8335	7355	5988	7493	7493	7493	7246	7823	6580	-
61	7158	6282	8596	7405	5786	7383	7383	7383	7332	7780	6326	-
62	7143	6169	8919	7468	5563	7267	7267	7267	7565	7740	6464	-
63	7129	6050	9295	7513	5309	7153	7153	7153	7642	7642	6321	-
64	7115	5924	9674	7561	5054	7040	7040	7040	7723	7561	6190	-
65	7112	5822	10173	7610	4715	6773	6773	6773	7806	7452	5925	-

TABLE 8.4 (CONTINUED)

Self-employed persons

Age	Engineer	Architect	Quantity surveyor	Surveyor	Veterinary surgeon	Gen. med. practitioner	Medical specialist	Dentist	Pharmacist	Attorney	Advocate	Auditor
18	6592	1662	1662	1682	1662	1662	1662	1662	1662	948	1632	202
19	1790	1770	1770	1790	1860	1860	1860	1860	1770	846	1740	700
20	1698	1678	426	1698	1968	1958	1958	1968	1678	738	1648	1637
21	1947	1947	1947	1947	2037	2027	2027	2037	1947	816	1916	1701
22	1957	1957	1957	1957	2107	2097	2097	2107	1957	904	1974	2051
23	9165	3652	3652	2978	5103	2230	2230	7258	6442	242	2070	2560
24	9897	4880	10396	6686	5642	3712	3712	8183	6636	5609	205	6643
25	9707	5319	10160	6645	5818	11218	120	8353	6679	6834	1918	7047
26	9633	5804	9989	6765	6049	11076	144	8682	6682	7275	3387	7620
27	9572	6490	9955	6752	6382	10892	166	8653	6683	7275	3387	7620
28	9572	6490	9955	6752	6382	10892	166	8653	6683	7275	3387	7620
29	9582	6582	9624	6766	6498	10803	6212	9169	6633	8000	5841	8938
30	9582	7284	9789	6764	6586	10715	11111	9263	6653	8612	6792	8608
31	9608	7592	9761	6757	6672	10650	11224	9307	6709	8741	6243	9126
32	9676	7872	9777	6738	6743	10583	11385	9379	6785	8940	6905	9353
33	9837	8182	9837	6732	6812	10480	11704	9485	6850	9181	7161	9614
34	9837	8362	9866	6730	6866	10480	11704	9485	6850	9242	7613	9717
35	9942	8605	9950	6730	6912	10462	11907	9522	7122	9392	9908	9882
36	10070	8804	10024	6730	6959	10435	12090	9541	7266	9520	10147	10048
37	10241	9005	10141	6732	7000	10399	12277	9545	7424	9623	10310	10187
38	10344	9201	10257	6737	7039	10396	12465	9554	7574	9721	10455	10338
39	10344	9201	10257	6737	7039	10396	12465	9554	7574	9721	10455	10338
40	10630	9492	10510	6735	7096	10367	12612	9554	7704	9872	10587	10564
41	10771	9641	10650	6743	7139	10361	12995	9527	8071	9929	10611	10638
42	10907	9791	10788	6750	7171	10377	13131	9510	8218	9956	10678	10730
43	11034	9909	10928	6757	7219	10374	13273	9482	8370	10007	10540	10808
44	11160	10035	11067	6761	7274	10371	13419	9448	8509	10031	10458	10873
45	11254	10146	11196	6764	7329	10364	13538	9465	8645	10059	10279	11016
46	11348	10257	11290	6768	7384	10357	13666	9482	8781	10087	10279	11068
47	11433	10357	11428	6769	7475	10357	13726	9523	8933	10071	10137	11068
48	11486	10460	11543	6761	7548	10332	13791	9568	8912	10057	10000	11111
49	11531	10408	11553	6612	7549	10156	13843	9589	8946	9870	9700	11084
50	11563	10501	11743	6610	7650	10130	13876	9528	8876	9854	9546	11121
51	11572	10589	11830	6653	7642	10107	13959	8861	8697	9781	9398	11123
52	11584	10669	11908	6648	7682	10020	13944	8613	8679	9700	9260	11247
53	11593	10745	11953	6647	7925	9962	13796	8611	8679	9700	8991	11247
54	11603	10822	11993	6646	7925	9962	13796	8611	8679	9700	8991	11247
55	11603	10822	11993	6646	7925	9962	13796	8611	8679	9700	8991	11247
56	11118	10974	11962	6926	8073	9702	13627	8652	8454	9603	8704	11328
57	11034	11034	11936	6926	8073	9702	13627	8652	8454	9603	8704	11328
58	10648	11105	11836	6195	8296	9566	13305	8577	8092	9470	8520	11388
59	10324	11177	11736	8129	9042	9303	13093	8540	7850	9351	8429	11472
60	9942	11249	11599	8048	9279	9121	12819	8518	7185	9278	8477	11497
61	9499	11300	11420	7957	9639	8924	12528	8510	6868	9125	8539	11549
62	8978	11371	11211	7867	9960	8705	12156	8487	6756	9202	8653	11684
63	8413	11443	10950	7762	10260	8497	11204	8479	6431	9048	8817	11648
64	7757	11515	10629	7654	10631	8235	10623	8484	6394	8972	9049	11698
65	6981	11567	10264	7515	10997	7943	9931	6483	4214	8913	9317	11756

flow will be discounted. All further discussions will thus be based on the cash values which have been calculated at six per cent per annum.

However, the 24 expected wage receipt flows were also discounted, both prior to and after deduction of income tax, at 0, 2, 4, 8, 10, 12, 14 and 16 per cent per annum for the sake of those persons who are of the opinion that six per cent per annum is an unrealistic rate. The calculated cash values appear in Tables 9.1 and 9.2 (see par. 6.2 for formula).

Particular attention is drawn to the cash values which were calculated at 0 per cent per annum. These are simply the total of the 48 flows of expected wage receipts according to calculated median values, both positive and negative (costs), which were added together. By comparing the cash value at 0 per cent with the other cash values, one can perceive the influence which the discount rate exerts on these values.

9.2 THE PROFITABILITY OF THE TWELVE PROFESSIONS AS AT 1 MARCH, 1971

An analysis of the profitability of the twelve occupations according to occupational status (i.e. employees or self-employed persons) on the strength of the cash value of the expected wage receipt flow, both prior to and after deduction of income tax, of a prospective follower of each of the professions for a period extending from his 18th to his 65th year, discounted at the rate of six per cent per annum, appears in Table 9.3.

An indication is also given in Table 9.3 of the percentage of the calculated pre-taxation cash value which each profession has to pay in income tax. The data in Table 9.3 are also presented in the form of graphs in Figures 9.1 and 9.2.

In Table 9.4 the twelve professions are arranged in order of profitability, on the basis of the cash values appearing in Table 9.3.

According to Tables 9.3 and 9.4, it would appear that, in the case of self-employed persons, the profession of quantity surveying is the most remunerative. However, since the building industry is one of those which is most subject to fluctuations in the business cycle, it can be expected that this profession will not continue to maintain its position as the most remunerative one for the next 48 years. There might perhaps be times during which the profession may become one of the least remunerative.

TABLE 9.1
CASH VALUES BEFORE DEDUCTION OF INCOME TAX, ACCORDING TO VARIOUS DISCOUNT RATES, PROFESSION AND OCCUPATIONAL STATUS
Rands

Profession	Cash value									
	0%	2%	4%	6%	8%	10%	12%	14%	16%	
Employees										
Engineer	309900	179776	110189	70850	47378	32656	22994	16398	11738	
Architect	305453	181347	113686	74692	50992	35867	25784	18802	13808	
Quantity surveyor	342131	198840	123371	81154	56099	40384	30020	22880	17774	
Surveyor	338516	205030	132616	90787	65109	48438	37065	28970	23001	
Veterinary surgeon	278093	163768	101660	66055	44555	30931	21912	15709	11299	
General medical practitioner	329107	189790	115169	73001	47906	32240	22029	15118	10287	
Medical specialist	366028	206141	121607	74553	47040	30209	19487	12412	7603	
Dentist	340424	200400	125035	82017	56041	39525	28531	20920	15473	
Pharmacist	255904	153324	97010	64345	44369	31540	22931	16928	12601	
Attorney	318004	183436	112477	72931	49646	35201	25794	19398	14882	
Advocate	307558	176849	106256	66160	42272	27409	17796	11366	6942	
Auditor	306754	186523	121033	83235	60164	45331	35335	28317	23210	
Self-employed persons										
Engineer	553150	335461	215814	146296	103665	76178	57629	44604	35137	
Architect	489669	278946	168309	106946	71024	48895	34609	24996	18289	
Quantity surveyor	602231	363754	234745	16081	115606	86631	67056	53247	43137	
Surveyor	434364	267845	175762	121674	88020	65954	50798	39969	31967	
Veterinary surgeon	374989	215812	132393	85935	58461	41270	29953	22166	16606	
General medical practitioner	512384	310793	199202	133631	93436	67243	49522	37093	28105	
Medical specialist	637913	362858	216017	133777	85561	56076	37343	25036	16712	
Dentist	460762	280585	181305	123284	87426	64116	48267	37072	28903	
Pharmacist	368833	222125	141571	94894	66388	48102	35833	27267	21076	
Attorney	479575	287179	182650	122552	86064	62765	47198	36376	28591	
Advocate	431035	247526	148531	92374	58989	38290	24972	16128	10097	
Auditor	563155	332900	210027	140588	99079	72926	55636	43711	35177	

TABLE 9.2
CASH VALUES AFTER DEDUCTION OF INCOME TAX, ACCORDING TO VARIOUS DISCOUNT RATES, PROFESSION AND OCCUPATIONAL STATUS
Rands

Profession	Cash value									
	0%	2%	4%	6%	8%	10%	12%	14%	16%	18%
	Employees									
Engineer	270992	157966	97240	62740	42056	29022	20433	14549	10380	
Architect	268499	159747	100324	65991	45071	31687	22744	16541	12097	
Quantity surveyor	295194	173117	108249	71648	49754	35926	26753	20405	15848	
Surveyor	293860	178169	115177	78679	56226	41635	31680	24602	19390	
Veterinary surgeon	246913	145782	90701	59032	39850	27659	19566	13987	10013	
General medical practitioner	284271	164657	100318	63791	41950	28252	19285	13194	8923	
Medical specialist	307203	173952	103106	63438	40106	25751	16558	10465	6305	
Dentist	293160	172944	107974	70752	48206	33838	24261	17627	12879	
Pharmacist	230043	138031	87433	58029	40011	28420	20629	15190	11266	
Attorney	276959	161064	99541	65005	44522	31725	23339	17606	13539	
Advocate	267696	154398	93066	58129	37243	24200	15732	10046	6119	
Auditor	271756	165810	107938	74434	53921	40694	31757	25469	20884	
	Self-employed persons									
Engineer	432193	262017	168429	113977	80526	58919	44316	34060	26587	
Architect	391814	225607	137543	88212	59034	40877	29042	21010	15362	
Quantity surveyor	465426	282196	182656	125249	90152	67500	52146	41288	33326	
Surveyor	361369	222374	145486	100322	72232	53830	41208	32204	25565	
Veterinary surgeon	316971	184127	113795	74239	50638	35761	25909	19102	14227	
General medical practitioner	404582	244288	155765	104029	72135	51502	37577	27835	20807	
Medical specialist	465394	265283	158296	98206	62833	41095	27209	18035	11796	
Dentist	376295	228859	147580	100059	70683	51585	38604	29439	22757	
Pharmacist	314804	189811	121091	81187	56755	41040	30471	23078	17729	
Attorney	389787	234553	149918	101057	71258	52142	39312	30355	23886	
Advocate	348964	200701	120612	75090	47955	31078	20180	12916	7942	
Auditor	442789	264423	168573	113980	81074	60167	46231	36545	29565	

TABLE 9.3

CASH VALUE OF THE EXPECTED FLOWS OF WAGE RECEIPTS ACCORDING TO PROFESSION AND OCCUPATIONAL STATUS AT SIX PER CENT PER ANNUM
Rands

Profession	Cash values of expected flows of wage receipts					
	Employees			Self-employed persons		
	Before deduction of tax	After deduction of tax	% loss as a result of tax	Before deduction of tax	After deduction of tax	% loss as a result of tax
Engineer	70850	62740	11,5	146296	113977	22,1
Architect	74692	65991	11,7	106946	88212	17,5
Quantity surveyor	81154	71648	11,7	160681	125249	22,1
Surveyor	90787	78679	13,3	121674	100322	17,5
Veterinary surgeon	66055	59032	10,6	85935	74239	13,6
General medical practitioner	73001	63791	12,6	133931	104029	22,3
Medical specialist	74553	63438	14,9	133777	98206	26,6
Dentist	82017	70752	13,7	123284	100059	18,8
Pharmacist	64345	58029	9,8	94894	81187	14,4
Attorney	72931	65005	10,9	122552	101057	17,5
Advocate	66160	58129	12,1	92374	75090	18,7
Auditor	83235	74434	10,6	140588	113980	18,9

FIGURE 9.1
 INFLUENCE OF INCOME TAX ON THE CASH VALUE OF THE EXPECTED WAGE RECEIPTS OF EMPLOYEES
 AT SIX PER CENT PER ANNUM ACCORDING TO PROFESSION
 Rands 000

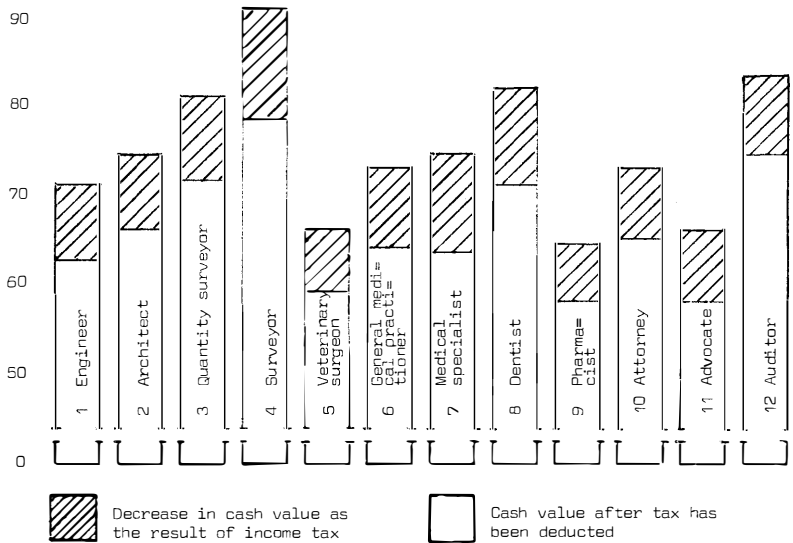


FIGURE 9.2

INFLUENCE OF INCOME TAX ON THE CASH VALUE OF THE EXPECTED INCOME FLOWS OF SELF-EMPLOYED PERSONS AT SIX PER CENT PER ANNUM ACCORDING TO PROFESSION

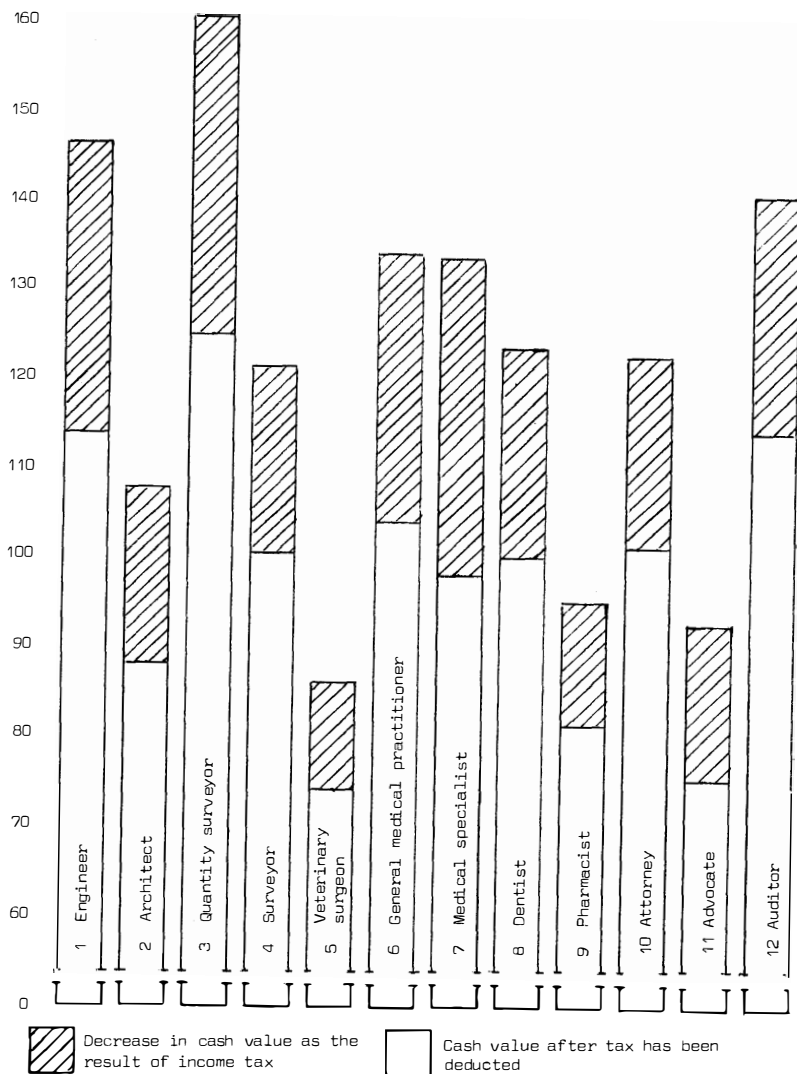


TABLE 9.4
RANK ORDER OF PROFITABILITY OF THE TWELVE PROFESSIONS ACCORDING
TO OCCUPATIONAL STATUS

Rands

Employees

Before deduction of tax			After deduction of tax		
Rank order	Cash value	Profession	Rank order	Cash value	Profession
1	90787	Surveyor	1	78679	Surveyor
2	83235	Auditor	2	74434	Auditor
3	82017	Dentist	3	71648	Quantity surveyor
4	81154	Quantity surveyor	4	70752	Dentist
5	74692	Architect	5	65991	Architect
6	74553	Medical specialist	6	65005	Attorney
7	73001	Gen. med. practitioner	7	63791	Gen. med. practitioner
8	72931	Attorney	8	63438	Medical specialist
9	70850	Engineer	9	62740	Engineer
10	66160	Advocate	10	59032	Veterinary surgeon
11	66055	Veterinary surgeon	11	58129	Advocate
12	64345	Pharmacist	12	58029	Pharmacist

Self-employed persons

1	160681	Quantity surveyor	1	125249	Quantity surveyor
2	146296	Engineer	2	113980	Auditor
3	140588	Auditor	3	113977	Engineer
4	133831	Gen. med. practitioner	4	104029	Gen. med. practitioner
5	133777	Medical specialist	5	101057	Attorney
6	123284	Dentist	6	100322	Surveyor
7	122552	Attorney	7	100059	Dentist
8	121674	Surveyor	8	98206	Medical specialist
9	106946	Architect	9	88212	Architect
10	94894	Pharmacist	10	81187	Pharmacist
11	92374	Advocate	11	75090	Advocate
12	85935	Veterinary surgeon	12	74239	Veterinary surgeon

The other two professions among the three most remunerative ones are auditing and engineering. The engineering profession is, of course, also one of those which as a result of its ties with the construction industry, is extremely subject to fluctuations in the business cycle. The auditing profession is, however, much less dependent on such fluctuations. The fact that

a building or construction company has a great deal of work or does practically nothing, does not, after all, make any difference to the auditor's income. The books and financial statements of the building or construction company still have to be audited. However, the incomes of the quantity surveyor and engineer will be affected to a great extent since they only receive many assignments when the building and construction industries flourish.

According to Tables 9.3 and 9.4, the professions pursued by pharmacists, advocates and veterinary surgeons were the three least remunerative ones. The income of veterinary surgeons is largely dependent on the income derived from farming which can naturally fluctuate a great deal as a result of the influence of the varying rainfall in the Republic of South Africa. It can consequently be expected that the incomes of veterinary surgeons will also fluctuate to a great extent. It is, however, not known whether they will rise to such an extent during prosperous farming years that the profession will attain a higher position in the order of profitability.

An extremely interesting phenomenon apparent from Tables 9.3 and 9.4 is the great difference made to the relative profitability of the self-employed followers of certain professions by income tax. Payment of income tax causes the relative profitability of the profession pursued by attorneys to rise by two places in the order while that of medical specialists falls by three. It would appear from Table 9.3 and Figure 9.2 that the cash value of the income flow of self-employed medical specialists decreases by 26,6 per cent as a result of the payment of income tax as against the 17,5 per cent of the self-employed attorneys.

It is also interesting to note that the self-employed quantity surveyors who, according to Table 9.4, occupy the highest position in the order of earnings surrender only 22,1 per cent of the cash value of their total wages as a result of income tax (see Table 9.3 and Figure 9.2), as opposed to the 26,6 per cent of self-employed medical specialists who occupy the fifth position, prior to taxation, in the order of earnings.

In the case of employees, it appears from Tables 9.3 and 9.4 that the surveying and auditing professions are the two most remunerative ones, with dentistry in third place before income tax is taken into account and quantity surveying in third place if income tax is considered.

The three least remunerative professions, as in the case of self-employed persons, are those practised by veterinary surgeons, advocates and pharmacists although their order has undergone some change.

The relative profitability of the twelve professions, according to Tables 9.3 and 9.4 and Figure 9.1, is also affected by income tax in the case of employees. The rank occupied by medical specialists, for instance, drops by two places and that of dentists and advocates by one, while the rank of attorneys, quantity surveyors and veterinary surgeons rise by one place.

As in the case of their self-employed colleagues, medical specialists who, according to Table 9.4, occupy only the sixth position in the order of earnings, have to surrender the highest percentage (14,9%) of the cash value of their expected wage receipt flows as a result of income tax (see Table 9.3 and Figure 9.1). In contrast to this, surveyors, who occupy the highest position, and auditors, who are second in the order of earnings, surrender only 13,3 and 10,6 per cent respectively of the cash value of their expected wage receipt flows to income tax.

The differential effect of income tax on the profitability of the various professions, in the case of self-employed persons as well as employees, can be attributed to the combined functioning of three factors, viz the progressivity of income tax scales in the Republic of South Africa, the differences in the duration of training and consequently length of the professional career in the various professions (see Table 7.1) and thirdly, the fact that followers of professions with an under-average duration of professional career receive an above-average wage.

10 THE RELIABILITY OF THE CALCULATED CASH VALUES

If the market for the services of professional workers was perfectly competitive and if the wage, income and expenditure figures which were processed in this study, as well as the sample used in the gathering of the data, were entirely reliable, it can be expected that there would be a high correlation between the calculated cash values and the supply and demand situation in the labour market for the groups of professional workers concerned. It is thus theoretically possible to test the reliability of the calculated cash values by calculating the extent to which they correlate with the supply and demand situation.

However, the matter is, in practice, not quite as simple as it would appear to be at first glance, for the following reasons:

(a) The only practical method to quantify the supply and demand situation in a labour market is to determine the shortage (positive or negative) of the various groups of professional workers in the labour market concerned. However, the determination of the shortage of self-employed followers of any profession is unfortunately always a more or less arbitrary matter, (7,3). The shortages listed in the manpower surveys of the Department of Labour refer practically exclusively to employees. Virtually no account is taken of the self-employed persons and the surveys cannot thus be used as a criterion for actual shortages. It might, however be possible that the order of shortages, as recorded in the manpower surveys of the Department of Labour, will correspond with the order of actual totals but unknown shortages of followers of the twelve professions under discussion in this report.

(b) Since general medical practitioners and medical specialists are grouped together in the manpower surveys of the Department of Labour, there are only ten comparable professions in the manpower survey, with the result that the figures of the Department of Labour first had to be adjusted before they could be used in this study.

It is clear from the above that the method of determining shortages which is followed here is nothing more than a comparatively rough estimate of the actual shortages.

It should furthermore be borne in mind that labour markets are known for their imperfectness (9, 532-535 and 10, 403-404). Moreover, all the workers under discussion in this report find themselves in an oligopsonistic position on account of the legal protection which they enjoy, so that they are able, in one way or another, to interfere in the free functioning of the market mechanism in order to influence their wage levels. The outcome of this is that the wage levels used in this report, although they represent the actual wages earned by the workers concerned, cannot necessarily be regarded as the wage which will bring supply and demand into balance.

It is evident from the foregoing that one cannot really expect to find a particularly high correlation between the order of shortages of followers of the twelve professions and the calculated order of profitability. The correlations will nevertheless be calculated and indicated.

The eleven professions found in the manpower surveys of the Department of Labour are arranged in Table 10.1 firstly according to the order of numerical shortages and secondly in order of shortages as percentages of total job opportunities. This is

TABLE 10.1
SHORTAGES OF WHITE PROFESSIONAL WORKERS ACCORDING TO THE MANPOWER SURVEYS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

Survey No.8 30.4.1969

Profession	Filled posts	Vacancies	Rank order according to number of vacancies	Job oppor= tunity (Va= cancies plus filled posts)	Vacancies as a percentage of job opportunity	Rank order according to percentage of vacancies
Engineer	11297	1167	1	12464	9,4	4
Architect	979	159	5	1138	14,0	2
Quantity surveyor	791	189	3	980	19,1	1
Surveyor	1462	123	6	1585	7,8	5
Veterinary surgeon	423	22	10	445	4,9	8
Medical	8114	1146	2	9260	12,3	3
Dentist	1098	70	9	1168	6,0	6
Pharmacist	2605	71	8	2675	2,6	10
Attorney	4064	80	7	4144	1,9	11
Advocate	307	13	11	320	4,1	9
Auditor	3242	184	4	3426	5,4	7

Survey No.9 30.4.1971

Engineer	13766	1163	1	14929	7,8	6
Architect	1852	179	5	2031	8,8	5
Quantity surveyor	1645	261	3	1906	13,7	1
Surveyor	1894	210	4	2104	10,0	3
Veterinary surgeon	359	18	11	377	4,8	8
Medical	7838	918	2	8756	10,5	2
Dentist	1042	87	9	1129	7,7	7
Pharmacist	3895	144	6	4039	3,6	9
Attorney	4511	94	8	4605	2,0	11
Advocate	350	37	10	387	9,6	4
Auditor	4289	119	7	4408	2,7	10

done in respect of the shortages in both the 1969 and 1971 manpower surveys.

However, since the Department of Labour indicates only ten comparable professions as a result of the grouping together of general medical practitioners and medical specialists, it was necessary to alter the orders of shortages as indicated in Table 10.1 in order to make provision for twelve professional groups. This was done in Table 10.2.

TABLE 10.2

ADJUSTED RANK ORDERS ACCORDING TO SHORTAGES OF WHITE PROFESSIONAL WORKERS, BY NUMBERS AND PERCENTAGES

Rank order according to Manpower Survey No. 8 of 30.4.1969	
Rank order according to number of vacancies	Rank order according to percentage of vacancies
1 Engineer	1 Quantity surveyor
2 Gen. med. practitioner	2 Architect
3 Medical specialist	3 Gen. med. practitioner
4 Quantity surveyor	4 Medical specialist
5 Auditor	5 Engineer
6 Architect	6 Surveyor
7 Surveyor	7 Dentist
8 Attorney	8 Auditor
9 Pharmacist	9 Veterinary surgeon
10 Dentist	10 Advocate
11 Veterinary surgeon	11 Pharmacist
12 Advocate	12 Attorney
Rank order according to Manpower Survey No.9 30.4.1971	
1 Engineer	1 Quantity surveyor
2 Gen. med. practitioner	2 Gen. med. practitioner
3 Medical specialist	3 Medical specialist
4 Quantity surveyor	4 Surveyor
5 Surveyor	5 Advocate
6 Architect	6 Architect
7 Pharmacist	7 Engineer
8 Auditor	8 Dentist
9 Attorney	9 Veterinary surgeon
10 Dentist	10 Pharmacist
11 Advocate	11 Auditor
12 Veterinary surgeon	12 Attorney

The rank correlations between the profitability ranks and the shortage ranks appear in Table 10.3.

TABLE 10.3
RANK CORRELATION BETWEEN WAGE LEVEL AND SHORTAGES OF PROFESSIONAL WORKERS IN 1969 AND 1971

Wage groups	1969			1971			1969			1971		
	Rho	tn-1	P	Rho	tn-1	P	Rho	tn-1	P	Rho	tn-1	P
Self-employed persons before tax	0,818	2,609	0,05-0,02	0,685	2,184	0,1-0,05	0,559	1,784	0,2-0,1	0,315	1,004	0,4-0,3
Self-employed persons after tax	0,713	2,274	0,05-0,02	0,612	1,952	0,1-0,05	0,420	1,338	0,3-0,2	0,182	0,580	0,6-0,5
Employees before tax	0,287	0,915	0,4 - 0,3	0,203	0,647	0,6-0,5	0,469	1,456	0,2-0,1	0,256	0,823	0,5-0,4
Employees after tax	0,265	0,826	0,5 - 0,4	0,154	0,491	0,7-0,6	0,406	1,294	0,3-0,2	0,154	0,491	0,7-0,6

The only correlation significant at the five per cent level, according to Table 10.3 is that between the profitability rank of self-employed persons, both before and after income tax deductions, and the 1969 rank of numerical shortages.

In the light of the afore-mentioned reservations regarding these correlations, it is recommended that, for the present, no binding conclusions on the reliability of the calculated cash values be based on the correlations in Table 10.3 but that the calculations for the results of future surveys on wages and shortages be continued in order to determine whether any scientific rules can be perceived.

In the absence of another objective criterion for the assessment of the reliability of the calculated cash values, those persons who wish to use this information are advised not to do so before carefully taking into consideration the assumptions upon which they are based.

11 THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE CALCULATED PROFITABILITY OF THE TWELVE PROFESSIONS

It must be strongly emphasised that the cash values calculated in this and other studies are nothing more than the quantification of the financial incomes and expenditures which can be expected to be earned in the direct pursuit of a profession by an imaginary follower of each of the twelve professions, either as a self-employed person or as an employee. The expected incomes in this investigation were, in turn, based on the median of the actual incomes of a group of followers of the professions concerned as at 1 March, 1971 and although it is highly improbable that the future incomes of the present and future followers of the same professions will remain unchanged, one can nevertheless expect that the relative incomes, as reflected by the differences in the cash values of the various professional income flows will remain approximately the same at any given moment. However, the calculated cash values include only the financial incomes and expenditure and do not lay any claim to reflecting the total extent of a person's prosperity.

If a person's actual prosperity were to be calculated, material and non-material assets, incomes and liabilities and costs and sacrifices would have to be taken into account. In this case, however, only the financial incomes, costs and sacrifices were summated and discounted. When the total gain in prosperity (both material and non-material) which can be earned in the pursuit of a profession is calculated, the following factors will first have to be quantified and taken into consideration.

(a) The number of hours per annum which have to be devoted towards obtaining the particular qualifications and earning the incomes. The availability of spare time does, after all contribute towards a person's total prosperity.

(b) The distribution of the hours over the 24 hours of the day and the 168 hours of the week during which a person must be actively engaged in earning the calculated income. In the case of most people, not only the duration but also the distribution of their occupational activity contributes towards their prosperity.

(c) The information, contacts and opportunities obtained during the pursuit of a profession to earn additional income outside the profession in a safe and convenient manner, for example, by speculating with shares. It is, after all, not improbable that the followers of certain professions obtain information in the course of the pursuit of their professions by which they can gain, while followers of other professions never get such opportunities.

(d) The social status of the followers of various professions may, without any other contributory cause, differ widely in the eyes of the general public. Since a great number of people are today prepared to spend considerable amounts on status symbols, it is obvious that a person's occupation can contribute towards his total social status and consequently to his total prosperity as well. The status value of the profession should thus also be quantified and taken into consideration when the total contribution of a profession to the prosperity of the follower thereof is calculated.

(e) The ease with and costs at which a practice can be started and built up. The importance of this factor is apparent from the considerable differences in the incomes of employees and self-employed persons in the same profession.

A calculated cash value can never be regarded as an index of the popularity of an occupation unless the above-mentioned factors are not also taken into account. It is also assumed that there will be still other factors not mentioned here which may possibly have an important influence on the popularity and profitability of a profession.

The cash values calculated in this study and the profitability ranks based thereon should therefore never be assessed in isolation from and without consideration of the explanations given in Paragraphs 7, 8 and 10.

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1 WHAT IS YOUR PRESENT (1.3.1971) OCCUPATION? Please give a functional occupational description, irrespective of your qualifications, training and rank, for example "chemical engineer" and not "professional officer" "researcher", or "civil servant".

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2 WHICH ONE OF THE STATEMENTS BELOW IS APPLICABLE TO YOU?

I am self-employed (including managing directors who own more than 50% of a company's shares). □ 1

I work for the Government or a provincial administration □ 2

I work for a local government (e.g. city of town council) □ 3

I work for a semi-government, government-controlled or government-subsidised organisation (e.g. CSIR, ISCOR, universities) □ 4

My employer is a member of the private sector (e.g. private firms, organisations, enterprises, etc.) □ 5

I am unemployed but seeking employment □ 6

I am voluntarily outside the labour market (e.g. housewives, students, retired persons) □ 7

None of the above. Please specify type of employer:

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IF YOU ARE UNEMPLOYED OR VOLUNTARILY OUTSIDE THE LABOUR MARKET (THAT IS, IF YOU HAVE MARKED 6 OR 7 IN QUESTION 2 ABOVE), YOU NEED NOT COMPLETE THE REST OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE. PLEASE RETURN IT.

3 HOW MANY FULL YEARS OF WORKING EXPERIENCE HAVE YOU HAD

(a) SINCE THE COMMENCEMENT OF YOUR FIRST FULL-TIME JOB? □ years

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(b) IN YOUR PRESENT OCCUPATION? □ years

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- 4 WHICH ONE OF THE CATEGORIES LISTED BELOW BEST DESCRIBES THE FUNCTION TO WHICH YOU DEVOTE MOST OF YOUR WORKING TIME?
- Managerial and administrative 1
- Research and development 2
- Planning and design 3
- Education and training 4
- Production and inspection 5
- Consulting, advisory and service 6
- Investigation, prediction and reporting 7
- None of the above 8
- 5 WHICH ONE OF THE CATEGORIES LISTED BELOW IS THE MOST SUITABLE DESCRIPTION OF THE MOST IMPORTANT ACTIVITY OF YOUR EMPLOYER (OR YOURSELF IF YOU ARE YOUR OWN EMPLOYER)?
- Forestry, agriculture and fishing 01
- Mining (including digging and quarrying) 02
- Electricity, gas and water supply (including generation, production purification and distribution) 03
- Building and construction 04
- Manufacturing (including production, processing and printing) 05
- Transport, storage and communication (SABC, SAR & H, postal services, SAA, etc.) 06
- Commerce and Trade (wholesale, retail, meat and motor) 07
- Financing (banks, building societies, IOO, etc.) 08
- Professional services (medical, juridical, engineering etc.) 09
- Other personal services (hotel-keeping, sport, entertainment, religious guidance, etc.) 10
- Protection services (police, defence force, prisons, traffic control, etc.) 11
- All other community and government services as rendered by ordinary civil service, provincial administration, local government (city and town councils), semi-government-, government-controlled or government-subsidised organisations (CSIP, National Parks Board, marketing control board, etc.) 12
- None of the above. Please specify type of employer: 13
- 6 WHAT IS YOUR GROSS SALARY PER ANNUM (1/3/1971)? Excluding overtime, bonuses, allowances and other fringe benefits (see question 7). Indicate only the salary received in connection with the direct practice of your present occupation. If you own your own business, indicate your your nett profit instead of gross salary.

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7 WITH REGARD TO EACH OF THE FRINGE BENEFITS LISTED BELOW, PLEASE INDICATE WHETHER OR NOT YOU RECEIVE IT FROM YOUR EMPLOYER, IF YOU DO RECEIVE IT, WHAT, IN YOUR ESTIMATION, IS ITS AVERAGE ANNUAL VALUE FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY?

Fringe benefit	Do you receive the fringe benefits?		Average annual value	Office use
	NO	YES		
Free housing or board and lodging	NO	YES	R	31 - 34
Reduced housing rental or board and lodging at a reduced fee	NO	YES	R	35 - 38
Housing loans at a subsidised interest rate or at an interest rate that is substantially lower than the building society interest rate	NO	YES	R	39 - 42
Other loans at a reduced interest rate	NO	YES	R	43 - 46
Holiday, Christmas and other bonuses	NO	YES	R	47 - 50
Free or subsidised uniform or other clothing, or clothing or uniform allowance	NO	YES	R	51 - 54
Other allowances	NO	YES	R	55 - 58
Your employer's contribution to your pension or endowment plan	NO	YES	R	59 - 62
Your employer's contribution to your medical benefit society	NO	YES	R	63 - 66
Free or subsidised medical services, medicine or hospitalization	NO	YES	R	67 - 70
Free or subsidised motor-car for private use	NO	YES	R	71 - 74 M 13
Free or subsidised transport	NO	YES	R	78 - 80
Other free or subsidised services e.g. university training				08 3 - 11 12 - 15 16 - 19
Free goods (e.g. fuel or food) for private use	NO	YES	R	20 - 23
Discount on goods which were actually bought	NO	YES	R	24 - 27
Free or subsidised municipal rates and taxes	NO	YES	R	28 - 31
Free or subsidised use of telephone in private home	NO	YES	R	32 - 35
Taxes paid on your behalf	NO	YES	R	36 - 39
Insurance premiums paid on your behalf	NO	YES	R	40 - 43
Others (specify)			R	44 - 47

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