

Data from the 1910 Land Valuation Survey for the parish of Throckmorton



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Introduction

The Valuation Office Survey of 1910 resulted in the creation of a snapshot of land across the county of Worcestershire, in common with other counties in England. The associated Valuation Summary books are to be found at the Hive in Worcester: these books are of a large format, measuring 43cm by 34cm, cloth-bound with leather corners and the name of the Income Tax Parish (ITP) written on the spine. An ITP may cover just a single civil parish in the county, whilst some ITPs covered two or more parishes: for example, the ITP of Church Lench only contains records for the civil parish of Church Lench, whilst that of Abbots Lench covers the civil parishes of Fladbury, Hill & Moor, Throckmorton and Wyre Piddle, as well as Abbots Lench itself. In some cases, two or more ITPs can be found in the same Valuation Summary book: for example, Conderton and Overbury. The basic unit of valuation was a piece of land in separate occupation, although the application of this principle was not always straightforward.¹ The number of valuation assessments in each ITP ranges across the county from 7 (Kenswick) to 7,171 (Kidderminster Borough).

This series of booklets provides a transcription of the Valuation Summary books for each civil parish in the county of Worcestershire, along with a brief analysis of the transcribed data.

1. The Valuation Office Survey of 1910

The valuation of land in 1910 was initiated by the Finance (1909-1910) Act (10 Edw. VII, c.8 section 26(1)) which provided for the levy and collection of a duty on the increment value of all land in the United Kingdom. The main object of the Act was to tax that part of the capital appreciation of real property which was attributable to the site itself, excluding any benefit arising from crops, buildings or improvements paid for by the owners. In this way, private owners were required to pay part of the increase in the site value of their land which had resulted from the expenditure of public money on communal developments such as roads or public services.

Increment value duty was based on the difference between the amount of two valuations. The first was the site value as at 30 April 1909, as determined by the Valuation Survey, which constituted the 'datum line' for these purposes: a second site valuation was to be taken on the occasion of any subsequent sale or grant of a lease, transfer of interest in a piece of land, or the subsequent death of a land owner, in order to determine any potential payment of increment value duty. This second assessment formed part of the on-going role of the Valuation Office, until this duty was repealed by the 1920 Finance Act (10 and 11 Geo. V, c.18). Although this legislation was only in place for around ten years, it has left behind a comprehensive record of land in every county enabling an understanding of the ownership, occupation, extent and value of land. The data collected during the survey for the county of Worcestershire, which has been retained, is contained in four different sets:

- The Valuation Summary books (sometimes referred to as the Lloyd George Domesday books): these are held at the Hive in Worcester (WAAS: BA8585/1 series);
- Forms 37 – Land: these contain the provisional valuations, and are also held at the Hive in Worcester (WAAS: 8585/2-64 series);
- Two series of annotated Ordnance Survey maps: the Field Maps (used in the field during survey), some of which are now held at the Hive in Worcester; the Record Maps (originally

¹ See Brian Short, *Land and Society in Edwardian Britain* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1997), pp 131-132.

kept in the Valuation Record office) now held at the National Archives at Kew (TNA: IR129 series);

- The Field Books which contain a complete record of each valuation: again, these are held at the National Archives at Kew (TNA: IR58 series).

With regard to the Valuation Summary books, the first nine columns were compiled from the Rate Book for the parish and all of the books contain this information. Subsequent columns (10-40) were supposed to be completed by the staff of the District Valuation Offices after the initial valuation was complete: however, this was not carried out in a consistent fashion, and indeed, anyone interested in the mechanics and outcome of an individual valuation would be better served by the details contained in the Field Books.

This series of booklets provides a transcription of the first nine columns in that these record the ownership, occupation, extent, and basic valuation of each assessment. After a brief introduction to the parish, an analysis of the data will be presented examining the names of the major landowners and the extent of their property in the parish, along with an analysis of the main farms in the parish. Indexes of owners, occupiers and places appear in subsequent appendices and a final appendix will direct the reader to the appropriate references for the associated Forms 37, Record Maps and Field Books for the parish covered by the booklet.

As seen above, the Valuation Summary for the Income Tax Parish of Abbots Lench covers the civil parishes of Abbots Lench, Fladbury, Hill & Moor, Throckmorton and Wyre Piddle: this booklet covers the parish of Throckmorton only.²

2. The parish of Throckmorton in 1910

Throckmorton was a chapelry in the parish of Fladbury: located around 10 miles south-east of Worcester and 3 miles north-east of Pershore, the geology is described as ‘Charmouth Mudstone Formation – Mudstone’ with clay to clayey loam soils, and according to Kelly’s 1912 Directory, Throckmorton extended to 1,522 acres.³

When the census was carried out in 1911, the population of Throckmorton was 126 (69 males and 57 females): of the 34 properties recorded in the census, 31 were inhabited whilst three were described as ‘Buildings not Dwellings’.⁴ From an agricultural viewpoint in the same year, the total cultivated area of the parish was 1,487 acres, of which 752¾ were arable and 734¼ acres (49% of the total) were grassland: these figures included 32½ acres of orchards. Of the 15 agricultural holdings in the parish, 14 were tenanted properties comprising 1,433 acres (96% of the total). The main arable crops were wheat, beans, and oats, whilst the orchards were growing a range of top fruit. With the balance between arable and pasture even, 157 cattle and 491 sheep were kept.⁵

² WAAS: BA 8585/1/3, *Inland Revenue. Valuation Summary book for the parishes of Abbots Lench [in Church Lench], Fladbury, Hill & Moor, Throckmorton, Wyre Piddle, 1909-10.*

³ Kelly’s Directory 1912, p.274. British Geological Survey, *iGeology app – Throckmorton, Worcestershire* [accessed 27 May 2022]. Natural Environmental Research Council, *mySoil app – Throckmorton, Worcestershire* [accessed 27 May 2022].

⁴ TNA: RG78/1085. *1911 Census Enumerator’s Summary Books. Worcestershire. Pershore. Registration Sub-District: Pershore, including Civil Parish, Township or Place: Throckmorton.*

⁵ TNA: MAF68/2489, *Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and predecessors: Statistics Divisions: Parish Summaries of Agricultural Returns. Worcestershire, 1911.* Main acreages of arable as follows: Wheat, 399¼; Beans, 67½; Oats, 56½. Orchard acreages: Apples, 23¾; Pears, 1; Plums, 7¾.

3. Land and property in 1910 in the parish of Throckmorton

Of the 39 assessments with owners recorded in the Valuation Summary, Sir W. Throckmorton was by far the largest landowner in the parish in terms of both number of assessments (69%) and acreage (79%): Sir Nicholas William George Throckmorton was an absentee landlord, living at Coughton in Warwickshire and was lord of the manor of Throckmorton. The second largest landowner was the Rev. Charles Jerram Hunt, rector of Fladbury: his total acreage of 258¼ comprised 142¾ acres at Glebe Farm occupied by Raymond Cresswell, 102½ acres divided into 21 market garden grounds (allotments) ranging in size from 35 acres to only ½ acre, and a further 12 acres.⁶

Edward Grantham Righton lived at Pensham Fields, Pershore: he was the proprietor of E.G. Righton & Son, auctioneers who had their offices in Bridge Street, Pershore. Owning four assessments in the parish, these comprised three tenanted cottages and 54 acres of land, which he occupied himself.⁷

Table 1: Number of assessments by landowner

Name	No. of assessments
Sir W. Throckmorton	27
Rev. J. Hunt	5
E. G. Righton	4
3 others with 1 assessment each	3
TOTAL	39

Table 2 shows the acreage of land in the parish by landowner, determined by summing the entries in the Valuation Summary.

Table 2: Acreage of land by landowner

Name	Acreage		
	a	r	p
Sir W. Throckmorton	1199	1	0
Rev. J. Hunt	258	1	0
E. G. Righton	54	0	0
Churchwardens	1	1	0
TOTAL	1512	3	0

Those assessments with more than 25 acres of land are listed in Table 3, Throckmorton No.1 and Throckmorton 2 being allotment or garden ground.

Table 3: Assessments in excess of 25 acres⁸

Situation	Acreage		
	a	r	p
Tilesford [Farm]	473	0	0
Throckmorton [Lower Farm]	442	3	0
Court [House] Farm	281	0	0
Throckmorton [Glebe Farm]	142	3	0
Throckmorton	54	0	0
Throckmorton No 1	35	0	0
Throckmorton 2	30	0	0

⁶ Kelly's Directory 1912, p.274.

⁷ Kelly's Directory 1912, p.220.

⁸ The annotations in square brackets are derived from Kelly's Directory 1912, p.274.

Appendix 1. Transcribed data from the Valuation Summary for the parish of Throckmorton.

NOTE: This data has been transcribed as presented in the Valuation Summary without any standardisation of punctuation, abbreviation &c. However, all data presented as superscripts has been included as normal text in this transcription.

No. of assessment	No. of Poor Rate	Occupier	Owner and residence	Description	No	Situation	Estimated extent			Gross annual value			Rateable value		
							A	R	P	£	s	d	£	s	d
334	1	Bomford R & B.	Sir W. Throckmorton	House		Court Farm				15	0	0	12	0	0
334	2	Bomford R & B.	Sir W. Throckmorton	Buildings		Court Farm				19	0	0	15	5	0
334	3	Bomford R & B.	Sir W. Throckmorton	Land		Court Farm	281	0	0	126	0	0	113	10	0
335	4	Webb A. S. now Newman J. E.	Sir W. Throckmorton	House		Tilesford				15	0	0	12	0	0
335	5	Bomford R & B.	Sir W. Throckmorton	Buildings		Tilesford				23	10	0	18	15	0
335	6	Bomford R & B.	Sir W. Throckmorton	Land		Tilesford	473	0	0	161	10	0	148	7	6
336	7	Rimell H. S.	Churchwardens	Land		Throckmorton	1	1	0		17	6		17	6
337	8	Rimell H. S.	Sir W. Throckmorton	House		Throckmorton				20	0	0	16	0	0
337	9	Rimell H. S.	Sir W. Throckmorton	Buildings		Throckmorton				20	0	0	16	0	0
337	10	Rimell H. S.	Sir W. Throckmorton	Land		Throckmorton	442	3	0	195	5	0	175	15	0
338	11	Foster James	Sir W. Throckmorton	Cottage		Throckmorton				4	0	0	3	0	0
339	12	Sanders Thomas	Sir W. Throckmorton	Cottage		Throckmorton				4	0	0	3	0	0
340	13	Lampitt George	Sir W. Throckmorton	Cottage & Garden		Throckmorton				4	0	0	3	0	0
341	14	Mansell W.	Sir W. Throckmorton	Cottage & Garden		Throckmorton				4	0	0	3	0	0
342	15	Foster Jos	Sir W. Throckmorton	House & Shop		Throckmorton		2	0	6	0	0	5	0	0
343	16	Righton E. G.	E. G. Righton	Buildings		Throckmorton				7	5	0	5	15	0
343	17	Righton E. G.	E. G. Righton	Land		Throckmorton	54	0	0	51	5	0	46	2	6
344	18	Foster J	E. G. Righton	Cottage		Throckmorton				4	0	0	3	0	0

No. of assessment	No. of Poor Rate	Occupier	Owner and residence	Description	No	Situation	Estimated extent			Gross annual value			Rateable value		
							A	R	P	£	s	d	£	s	d
345	19	Smith Geo	E. G. Righton	Cottage		Throckmorton				4	0	0	3	0	0
346	20	Taylor Andrew	E. G. Righton	Cottage		Throckmorton				4	0	0	3	0	0
347	21	Lampitt W.	Sir W. Throckmorton	Cottage & Garden		Tilesford		1	0	4	0	0	3	0	0
348	22	Foster Geo	Sir W. Throckmorton	Cottage & Garden		Tilesford		1	0	4	0	0	3	0	0
349	23	Cole Geo	Sir W. Throckmorton	Cottage & Garden		Tilesford		1	0	4	0	0	3	0	0
350	24	Lampitt W.	Sir W. Throckmorton	Cottage & Garden		Tilesford		1	0	4	0	0	3	0	0
351	25	Cole Oliver	Rev. J. Hunt	Cottage & Outhouse		Throckmorton				5	5	0	4	0	0
352	26	Clarke Mary	Sir W. Throckmorton	Cottage & Garden		Throckmorton		1	0	4	0	0	3	0	0
353	27	Morris Elizabeth	Sir W. Throckmorton	Cottage & Garden		Throckmorton				1	10	0	1	2	6
354	28	Smith Henry	Sir W. Throckmorton	Cottage & Garden		Throckmorton				1	10	0	1	2	6
355	29	Morris J.	Sir W. Throckmorton	Cottage & Garden		Throckmorton				1	10	0	1	2	6
356	30	Malins Edward	Sir W. Throckmorton	Cottage & Garden		Throckmorton				1	10	0	1	2	6
357	31	Watkins John	Sir W. Throckmorton	Cottage & Garden		Throckmorton				2	0	0	1	10	0
358	32	Barradale Ellen	Sir W. Throckmorton	Cottage & Garden		Throckmorton				1	10	0	1	2	6
359	33	Robbins Ann	Sir W. Throckmorton	Cottage & Garden		Throckmorton				1	10	0	1	2	6
360	34	Robbins Ann	Sir W. Throckmorton	Cottage & Garden		Throckmorton				2	0	0	1	10	0
361	35	Irish William	Sir W. Throckmorton	Cottage & Garden		Throckmorton				4	0	0	3	0	0
362	36	Lampitt Fred	Sir W. Throckmorton	Cottage & Garden		Throckmorton				4	0	0	3	0	0
363	37	Hyde Geo	Sir W. Throckmorton	Cottage & Garden		Throckmorton				2	0	0	1	10	0
364	38	Clarke Martha	Sir W. Throckmorton	Cottage & Garden		Throckmorton		1	0	4	0	0	3	0	0
365	39	Lane John	Sir W. Throckmorton	Cottage & Garden		Throckmorton		1	0	4	0	0	3	0	0
366	40	Foster Thomas	Sir W. Throckmorton	Cottage & Garden		Throckmorton		1	0	4	0	0	3	0	0

No. of assessment	No. of Poor Rate	Occupier	Owner and residence	Description	No	Situation	Estimated extent			Gross annual value			Rateable value		
							A	R	P	£	s	d	£	s	d
367	41	Cresswell Raymond	Rev. J. Hunt	House & Garden		Throckmorton	1	0	0	6	0	0	5	2	6
368	42	Cresswell Raymond	Rev. J. Hunt	Buildings		Throckmorton				3	0	0	2	10	0
368	43	Cresswell Raymond	Rev. J. Hunt	Land		Throckmorton	142	3	0	41	5	0	40	15	0
369	44	Cole Oliver & Geo	Rev. J. Hunt	Land		Throckmorton	12	0	0	12	0	0	11	15	0
370 ⁹	45 ¹⁰	Cole Oliver & Geo	Rev. J. Hunt	Land Allotment		Throckmorton No 1	35	0	0	31	10	0			
370	46	Shepherd H. G.	Rev. J. Hunt	Land		Throckmorton 2	30	0	0	41	19	0			
370	47	Lane John	Rev. J. Hunt	Land		Throckmorton 3	1	2	0	1	17	6			
370	48	Foster Thomas	Rev. J. Hunt	Land		Throckmorton 4	2	3	0	3	6	8			
370	49	Foster William	Rev. J. Hunt	Land		Throckmorton 5	3	0	0	3	8	0			
370	50	Carter Henry	Rev. J. Hunt	Land		Throckmorton 6	1	2	0	1	15	0			
370	51	Smith George	Rev. J. Hunt	Land		Throckmorton 7	3	2	0	4	0	6			
370	52	Hyde Geo	Rev. J. Hunt	Land		Throckmorton 8	4	1	0	4	16	0			
370	53	Clarke Geo	Rev. J. Hunt	Land		Throckmorton 9	1	1	0	1	8	6			
370	54	Clarke Geo junr	Rev. J. Hunt	Land		Throckmorton 10		2	0		14	0			
370	55	Clarke Albert	Rev. J. Hunt	Land		Throckmorton 11	1	2	0	1	12	0			
370	56	Fletcher Amos	Rev. J. Hunt	Land		Throckmorton 12		3	0	1	2	0			
370	57	Foster Joseph	Rev. J. Hunt	Allotment		Throckmorton 13	3	2	0	4	2	8			
370	58	Lampitt Bros	Rev. J. Hunt	Allotment		Throckmorton 14	2	3	0	3	5	0			
370	59	Foster Geo	Rev. J. Hunt	Allotment		Throckmorton 15		2	0		12	0			

⁹ Individual rateable values were not given for these assessments, rather the total rateable value for assessment number 370 was £97.

¹⁰ The word 'Allotment' was added to the description column and 'No.1' to the situation column to provide further explanation: however, for Poor Rate numbers 46 to 56 inclusive, the words 'Allotment' and 'No' were not copied down (through the use of ditto marks), but each piece of allotment ground was sequentially numbered.

No. of assessment	No. of Poor Rate	Occupier	Owner and residence	Description	No	Situation	Estimated extent			Gross annual value			Rateable value		
							A	R	P	£	s	d	£	s	d
370	60	Clarke Martha	Rev. J. Hunt	Allotment		Throckmorton 16		2	0		15	0			
370	61	Morris William	Rev. J. Hunt	Allotment		Throckmorton 17	2	0	0	2	8	4			
370	62	Brookes William	Rev. J. Hunt	Allotment		Throckmorton 18	1	1	0	1	9	0			
370	63	Malins Edward	Rev. J. Hunt	Allotment		Throckmorton 19	2	3	0	3	4	6			
370	64	Mansell Henry	Rev. J. Hunt	Allotment		Throckmorton 20	2	0	0	2	7	0			
370	65	Morris William	Rev. J. Hunt	Allotment		Throckmorton 21	1	3	0	2	0	0			
474	NR	Not stated	Rector & Churchwardens	Parish Church		Throckmorton									
475	NR	Not stated	Managing Committee	Village School		Throckmorton									

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Appendix 5. References to other Land Valuation resources for Throckmorton

TNA – The National Archives, Kew

WAAS – Worcestershire Archaeology and Archive Service, The Hive, Worcester

Forms 37

No records retained for the parish of Throckmorton.

Field Books

TNA: IR58/93282, *Board of Inland Revenue Valuation Office: Field Books. Worcester. Abbots Lench (Wyre Piddle). Assessment No. 301-400, 1910.*

TNA: IR58/93283, *Board of Inland Revenue Valuation Office: Field Books. Worcester. Abbots Lench (Wyre Piddle). Assessment No. 401-497, 1910.*

Record Maps

TNA: IR129/3/841, *Board of Inland Revenue Valuation Office: Record Sheet Plans. West Midland Region: Hereford and Worcester District. OS Sheet Reference: XXXIV 16, 1910.*

TNA: IR129/3/854, *Board of Inland Revenue Valuation Office: Record Sheet Plans. West Midland Region: Hereford and Worcester District. OS Sheet Reference: XXXV 13, 1910.*

TNA: IR129/3/885, *Board of Inland Revenue Valuation Office: Record Sheet Plans. West Midland Region: Hereford and Worcester District. OS Sheet Reference: XLI 4, 1910.*

TNA: IR129/3/889, *Board of Inland Revenue Valuation Office: Record Sheet Plans. West Midland Region: Hereford and Worcester District. OS Sheet Reference: XLI 8, 1910.*

TNA: IR129/3/898, *Board of Inland Revenue Valuation Office: Record Sheet Plans. West Midland Region: Hereford and Worcester District. OS Sheet Reference: XLII 1, 1910.*

TNA: IR129/3/899, *Board of Inland Revenue Valuation Office: Record Sheet Plans. West Midland Region: Hereford and Worcester District. OS Sheet Reference: XLII 2, 1910.*

TNA: IR129/3/902, *Board of Inland Revenue Valuation Office: Record Sheet Plans. West Midland Region: Hereford and Worcester District. OS Sheet Reference: XLII 5, 1910.*