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Census information 1851-1881

| **Analysis of trades recorded in censuses** | **1871** | **1881** |
|---|---|---|
| Agriculture | 136 | 167 |
| General labourers – Note 1 | 71 | 16 |
| Servants, housekeepers, nurses, butlers, coachmen, grooms and gardeners | 45 | 51 |
| Building and building trades including stone-masons and those involved in brick & tile | 33 | 31 |
| Women involved in dress-making and tailoring | 22 | 22 |
| Railway | 12 | 13 |
| Boot and shoe trades | 15 | 11 |
| Butchers, bakers, grocers, drapers, general shop-keepers | 24 | 22 |
| Innkeepers – Note 2 | 12 | 7 |
| Other trades, wheelwrights, blacksmiths, coopers, woodmen, millers, general dealers | 11 | 11 |
| Involved in the coal yard | | 3 |
| Involved in the ochre business | | 2 |
| Carriers | 12 | 5 |
| School teachers | 5 | 6 |
| Church | 2 | 2 |
| Police | 1 | 1 |
| Medical | 1 | 3 |
| Legal – Note 3 | 6 | 2 |
| Surveyors, rate collectors | 1 | 2 |
| Land surveyors and agents and proprietors of housing | | 7 |
| Chelsea Pensioner | 1 | 1 |
| Other – Note 4 | 11 | 14 |
| Independent means | 5 | 5 |
| Paupers – Note 5 | 36 | |
| Unemployed | 6 | 24 |
| **TOTAL** | **468** | **428** |
| Notes | | |
| 1. General labourers are, presumably, more specifically described in 1881 | | |
| 2. Some inn-keepers were also farmers, so are included in the agricultural heading | | |
| 3. The word 'lawyer' is clear in the 1881 census, less so in the 1871. | | |
| 4. 1881 includes an artist, peg-maker, paint-worker, tinman, basket-maker, chair-maker, and 2 farriers | | |
| 5. No 'paupers" in 1881, presumably now 'unemployed' | | |

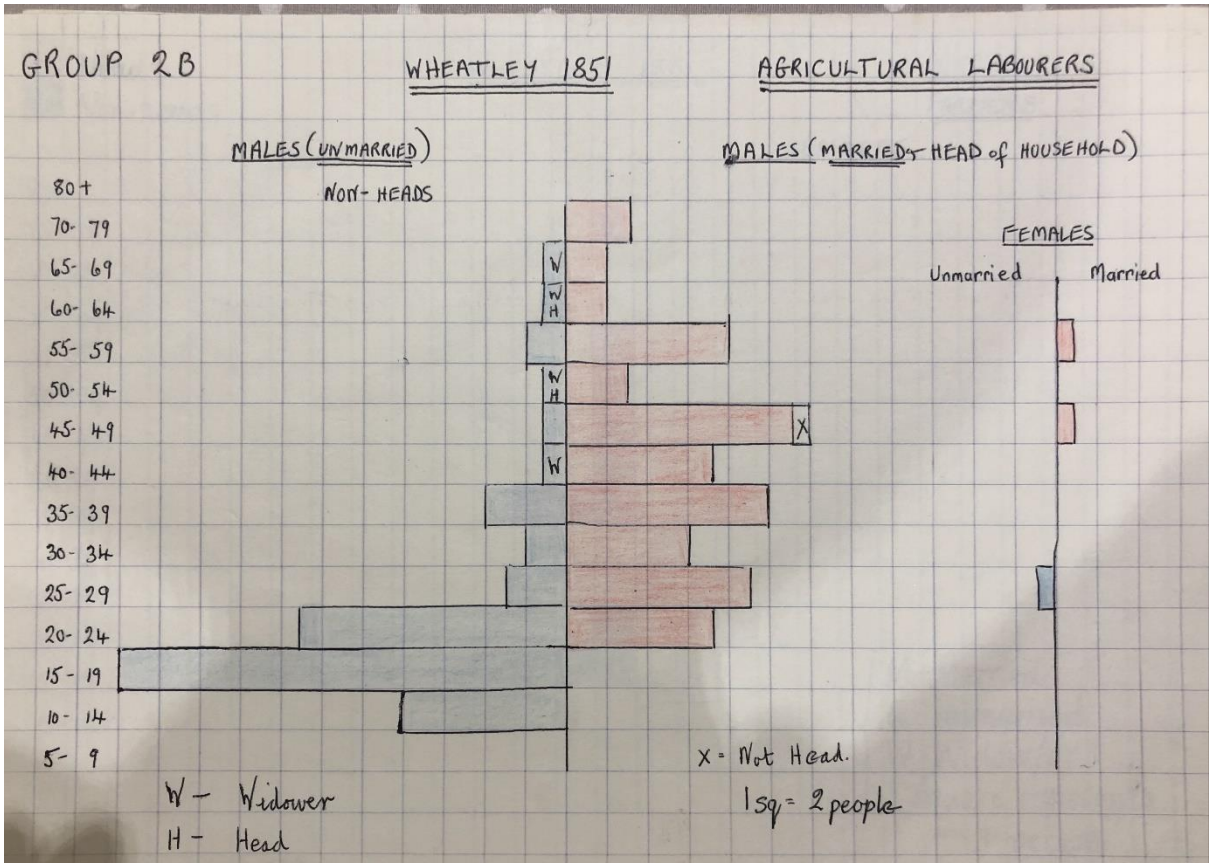
There were 468 recorded trades in 1871 of which some 9% were recorded as paupers or unemployed. In 1881, the number of recorded trades was 428, but now only 5.5% were recorded as unemployed.

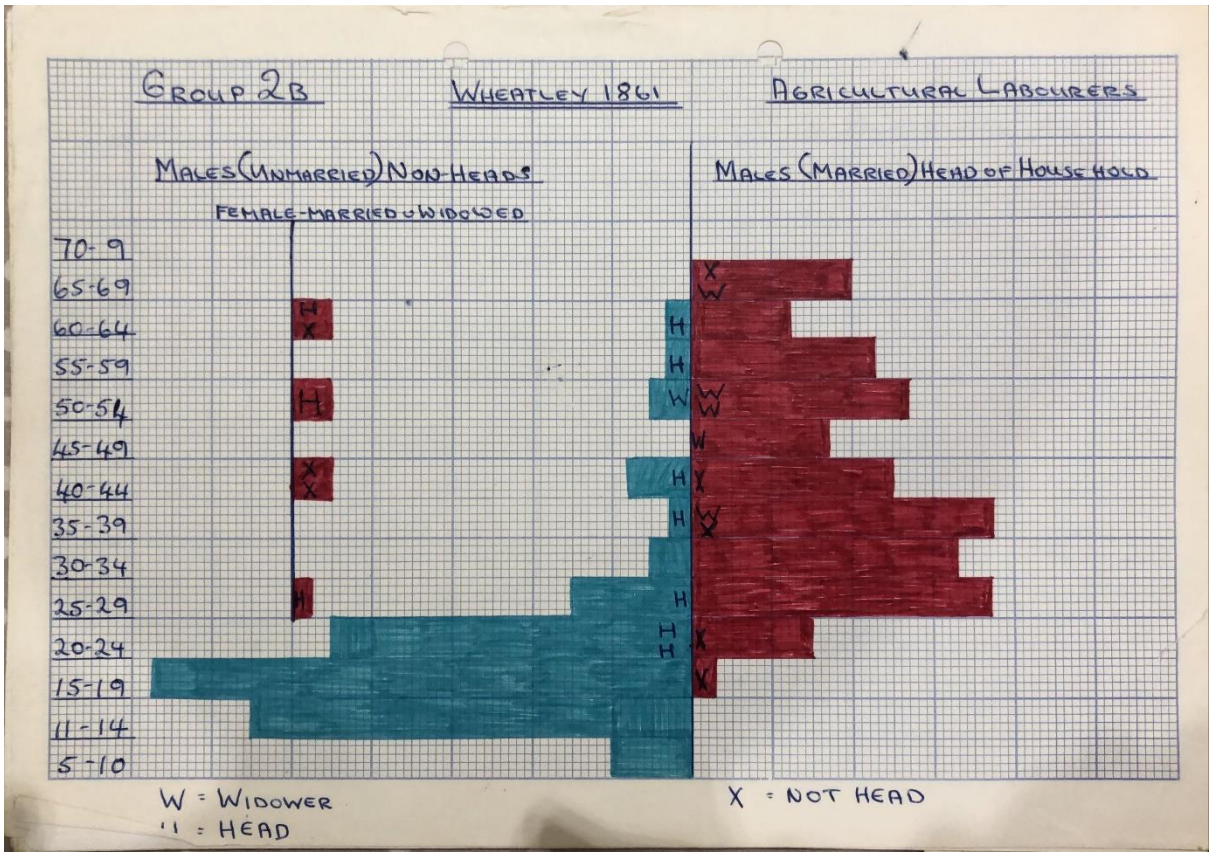
The range of trades suggests a self-contained village. Paupers and unemployed in 1871 were 9% of the total 'trades' recorded, 5.5% in 1881. The reduction, due to emigration after 1871 had made the village more contented according to Wilfrid Sheldon.

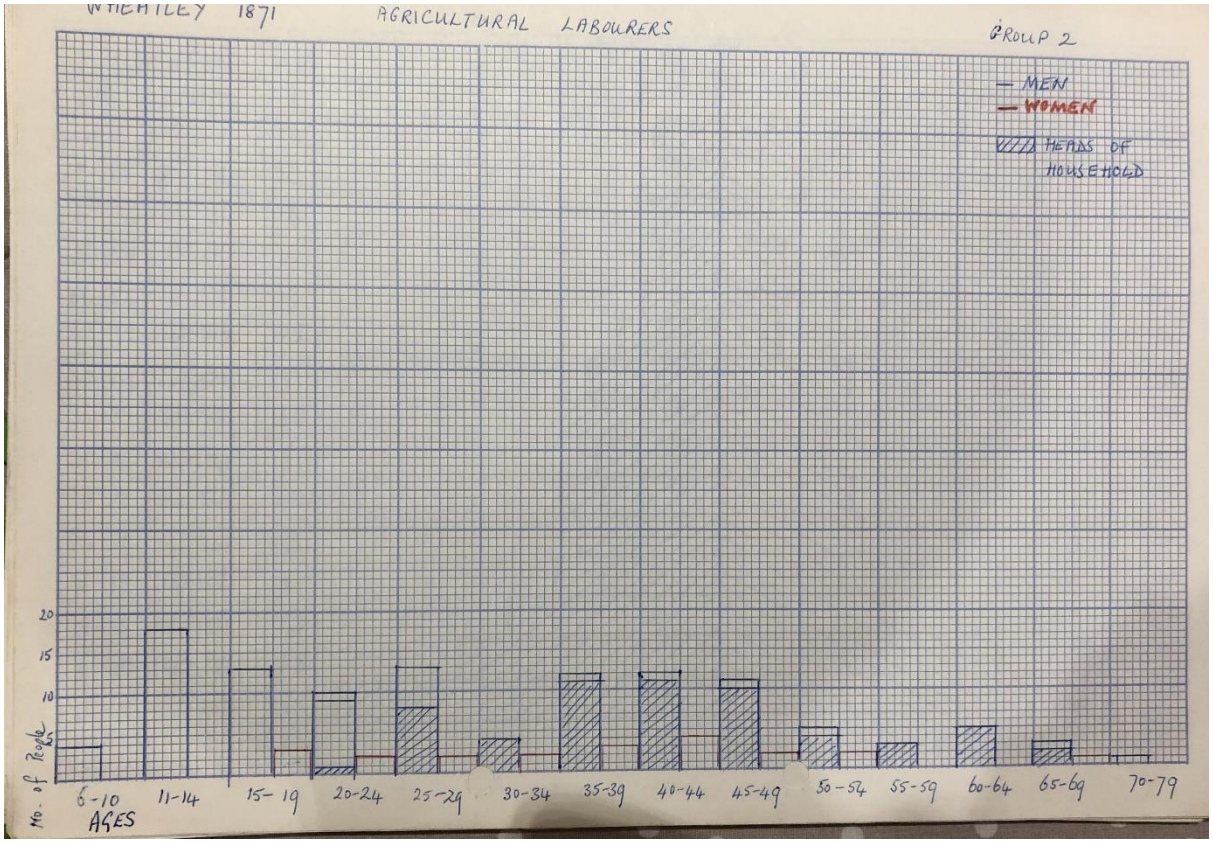
Farming census information

| 1851 | Farmer name | Age | Acres | Employs |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rectory Farm | William Bracher | 38 | 246 | 15 |
| Crown farm | Alfred gardner | 24 | 85 | 4 |
| Not stated | Isaac Elderfield | 56 | 12 | |
| Not stated | Richard Cooper | 56 | 12 | |
| Hill House | William Moores | 44 | 188 | 8 |
| Total | Agricultural workers | | ex graphs | 126 |
| 1861 | | | | |
| White Hart | James Robbins | 46 | 108 | 15 |
| Not stated | John Hunter | | | |
| Crown Farm | Charles Bucknell | 37 | 78 | 6 |
| Not stated | James Davis | 52 | 20 | 3 |
| Not stated | Joseph Frampton | 61 | | |
| Total | Agricultural workers | | ex graphs | 185 |
| 1871 | | | | |
| Not stated | Joseph Frampton | 44 | 22 | 3 |
| Not stated | George Rose | 70 | 74 | 3 |
| Not stated | Joseph Cooper | 36 | 16 | 17 |
| Not stated | Thomas Edmonds | 70 | 10 | |
| Not stated | James Davis | 62 | 20 | |
| Total | Agricultural workers | | ex census | 136 |
| 1881 | | | | |
| Not stated | William Davis | | 24.5 | 1 |
| Crown Farm | Charles Bushnell | | 70 | 4 |
| Not stated | Joseph Frampton | | 22 | 2 |
| Total | Agricultural workers | | ex census | 167 |

Graphs recording counts of agricultural workers 1851-1871




WHEATLEY 1871
AGRICULTURAL LABOURERS
GROUP 2
— MEN
— WOMEN
HEADS OF HOUSEHOLD
20
15
10
No. of Persons
6-10
11-14
15-19
20-24
25-29
30-34
35-39
40-44
45-49
50-54
55-59
60-64
65-69
70-79
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