

## LEISURE, POLITICS AND ENVIRONMENT

The section begins with a substantial number of estimates (tables 13.1 - 13.12) which aim to illuminate various aspects of the way in which people in Wales spend their leisure time or are influenced by leisure activities. Despite the number of tables the coverage is far from comprehensive. In part this is unavoidable as the ways in which people can occupy their leisure would themselves be difficult to count and identify. It is also because there is little information which is specific to particular activities. This is true even of mainline sports (just how many people play football or hockey at some level or other in an average week?); it is self-evidently the case over a wider range of pastimes (how many play chess or do crosswords?).

Nonetheless the whole area of leisure activities was deemed to be sufficiently important to warrant coverage even if some of the available statistics were of a lower quality than those in other sections. The material is often indirect and partial, but both the range and the recent nature of coverage are themselves strong evidence of a growing interest in the extent and nature of leisure. It would be hazardous to conclude from this too much about longer-run shifts in either the amount of leisuretime available to people, or of the range (as opposed to nature) of leisure activities pursued: some part of the interest arises simply from the economic opportunities provided when spending on basics (food, clothing) takes up a smaller proportion of average incomes. The commercial motivation is reflected in the source of some of the tables included in this section.

In some cases the nature of the material, it must be confessed, throws less light on the general picture than was hoped. It is often asserted, and with much impressionistic evidence, that fishing is the (or certainly a) major participating leisure activity. It was desirable to exhibit this statistically and the series on rod licences seemed to provide a reasonable proxy (Table 13.1), accepting that this would not cover all those who fished in Wales. The series has, however, considerable deficiencies as a proxy

measure both because it only covers a particular (untypical?) class of licence and because the institutional change in the licensing authority (from Dwr Cymru to the National Rivers Authority in 1989) might have introduced policy changes on the issue of licences. Similarly the information on tourism (Table 13.2) needs care in interpretation. It is not saying anything about the (for this section) more relevant issue of the Welsh as tourists, but about the importance of tourism to the Welsh economy. Within that context it then needs to be noted that it is based on surveys of bed nights occupied, which does not allow tourism as a reason for occupancy to be distinguished from such other reasons as business trips.

The information on libraries (Table 13.3) is statistically more satisfactory since it has been directly provided and is reasonably comprehensive in what it covers. It provides indications about the extent of library provision in Wales (where the trends in the number of staff are probably the most reliable guide); the nature of the provision (discs, tapes and cassettes as well as books); and serves as a rough proxy for reading as a leisure activity. The amount of public assistance to the arts in Wales (Table 13.4) can also be taken as a reliable series, showing on the supply side the extent of public provision in Wales and also the detailed distribution of that provision between music, drama, art, literature, dance and other activities in Wales. The demand side for one important leisure activity - the cinema - is shown in Tables 13.5 and 13.6. Table 13.5 records relatively hard data: Table 13.6 records the results of sample surveys taken annually. There is no inherent reason why such a survey should not provide reliable information. It is in some respects similar to political polls but with the

advantage of asking a more neutral and factual question, which respondents might answer more confidently (and honestly). In part this depends on the size and representativeness of the sample, and in this respect whilst the size is adequate for Wales (about 1,000), the numbers on which the area divisions are based (about 150 for Mid/West Wales) give less confidence.

These comments broadly apply to the six following tables (Tables 13.7 - 13.12) each of which is derived from surveys, some commercial, some from public bodies like the Sports Council for Wales and some drawn from the material supplied by voluntary participants to the official General Household Survey. They thus all carry something of the general health warning issued above, but to variable degrees to which the notes give some guidance. These cautionary comments should not be misunderstood: in broad terms the tables are not likely to be misleading, especially on trends, while they do provide considerable illumination about many aspects of recent life in Wales.

It will surprise no-one that public participation in formal, organised religions has continued to dwindle. Unfortunately one of its accompaniments seems to be a paucity of information which would enable interested investigators to chart the course and composition of this decline. The definitional problems which such studies involve would naturally be as formidable as ever: there are doubts enough over what constitutes 'membership' of a church, let alone knowing the numbers of 'believers'. In the past, however, the main denominations each produced reasonably reliable handbooks or yearbooks which gave basic information and usually some guidance about its collection that could be used in the critical appraisal of the figures. Such exercises have become too patchy to permit a reasonable comprehensive cover: not only formal religion, but religious statistics are in need of revival. In face of this it was decided

(Tables 13.13 - 13.15) to rely on the excellent surveys done for the Bible Society which, although only covering particular years, do cover all the major Welsh Christian denominations and explain the method of collection and the response rate.

A reasonable comment would be that, even so, religion is being defined as Christianity. It is recognised and accepted that the section needs, at the least, coverage of the practice in Wales of the world's other main religions. The only excuse is that a sufficiently useable and reliable series has not been established. A recent reference work (May, 1994) does suggest that in 1993 Cardiff had 8 mosques (Newport 7; Swansea 2, and Aberystwyth 1), 2 Hindu mandirs and 2 synagogues, whilst there were said to be 17 Buddhist meditation centres in Wales. And when we try to go beyond the major religions we are, as many would expect, cast into the outer darkness: collected statistical information on cults, sects, spiritual associations and other similar bodies and activities is non-existent.

This is in marked contrast to another area where it might be thought that the exercise of faith was, so to speak, fundamental. For politics (Tables 13.18 - 13.20) data are presented which are both hard and reliable. The explanation is straight-forward: issues about what constitutes membership or adherence to a particular party are avoided. Instead attention is confined to specific elections and their results, all of which are publicly recorded.

The section ends with six tables dealing with aspects of the environment. Perhaps there should have been more, but rightly or wrongly it was decided that the bulk of the growing material on this topic fell down because it was not of sufficiently general accessibility, sufficiently comprehensive or allowed for a reasonable series of years to be covered. The result has been to settle for three tables on land, two on water, and one on oil pollution.

**13.1 Fresh water fisheries: licences and catches**

|      | Fishing<br>licences sold<br>by NRA Welsh<br>region (a) | Fish catches (b)    |              |              |              |              |
|------|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|      |                                                        | Salmon              |              |              | Sea trout    |              |
|      |                                                        | Rod<br>Severn Trent | Rod<br>Welsh | Net<br>Welsh | Rod<br>Welsh | Net<br>Welsh |
| 1974 | 140,058                                                | 43,458 (c)          | ..           | ..           | ..           | ..           |
| 1975 | ..                                                     | 55,559 (c)          | ..           | ..           | ..           | ..           |
| 1976 | 103,512                                                | 33,092 (c)          | ..           | ..           | ..           | ..           |
| 1977 | 117,551                                                | 453                 | 10,400       | 6,600        | 14,200       | 7,000        |
| 1978 | 127,200                                                | 286                 | 9,500        | 7,600        | 11,200       | 6,600        |
| 1979 | 127,455                                                | 188                 | 6,400        | 4,800        | 21,600       | 10,400       |
| 1980 | 138,059                                                | 555                 | 9,700        | 7,300        | 22,400       | 12,300       |
| 1981 | 116,658                                                | 962                 | 9,700        | 9,600        | 15,500       | 9,900        |
| 1982 | 103,731                                                | 303                 | 6,300        | 4,500        | 21,600       | 7,800        |
| 1983 | 90,289                                                 | 418                 | 7,372        | 4,925        | 23,561       | 10,751       |
| 1984 | 78,704                                                 | 131                 | 3,802        | 3,947        | 18,406       | 10,935       |
| 1985 | 87,941                                                 | 584                 | 8,905        | 3,245        | 20,805       | 5,185        |
| 1986 | 81,809                                                 | 444                 | 8,499        | 5,031        | 21,308       | 5,098        |
| 1987 | 82,483                                                 | 400                 | 8,202        | 4,535        | 35,727       | 4,878        |
| 1988 | 82,960                                                 | 450                 | 15,983       | 5,124        | 30,685       | 6,799        |
| 1989 | 82,005                                                 | 184                 | 4,372        | 5,078        | 13,203       | 6,468        |
| 1990 | 77,703                                                 | 114                 | 4,636        | 4,346        | 10,034       | 3,588        |
| 1991 | 86,449                                                 | 87                  | 3,783        | 3,038        | 11,586       | 2,661        |
| 1992 | 45,548                                                 | 117                 | 2,803        | 2,920        | 4,635        | 1,647        |
| 1993 | 46,000                                                 | 100                 | 4,080        | 3,324        | 13,350       | 1,684        |
| 1994 | 50,848                                                 | ..                  | 7,876        | 4,870        | 24,528       | 3,019        |

Source: Digest of Welsh Statistics

- (a) These operations were transferred from Dwr Cymru Welsh Water to NRA in 1989-90. Figures include the parts of England covered by the NRA Welsh region and exclude the parts of Wales covered by the NRA Severn Trent Region.
- (b) There are no sea trout in the Welsh part of the NRA Severn Trent Region and no salmon caught by net.
- (c) These figures are for the total catch. No breakdown is available for these years.

**13.2 Tourist traffic to Wales, all purposes (a)**

|      | Number of trips<br>(millions) | Number of bed nights<br>(millions) | Total expenditure<br>(£ million) (b) |
|------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1974 | 12                            | 65                                 | 200                                  |
| 1975 | 11                            | 60                                 | 200                                  |
| 1976 | 11                            | 60                                 | 250                                  |
| 1977 | 12                            | 65                                 | 270                                  |
| 1978 | 12                            | 65                                 | 325                                  |
| 1979 | 11                            | 55                                 | 360                                  |
| 1980 | 13                            | 60                                 | 450                                  |
| 1981 | 11                            | 55                                 | 425                                  |
| 1982 | 12                            | 55                                 | 425                                  |
| 1983 | 12                            | 60                                 | 450                                  |
| 1984 | 12                            | 60                                 | 530                                  |
| 1985 | 11                            | 50                                 | 500                                  |
| 1986 | 12                            | 60                                 | 575                                  |
| 1987 | 11                            | 50                                 | 585                                  |
| 1988 | 11                            | 50                                 | 625                                  |
| 1989 | 10                            | 44                                 | 985                                  |
| 1990 | 9                             | 37                                 | 900                                  |
| 1991 | 9                             | 41                                 | 900                                  |
| 1992 | 8                             | 40                                 | 930                                  |
| 1993 | 8                             | 36                                 | 945                                  |
| 1994 | 10                            | 40                                 | 980                                  |
| 1995 | 10                            | 43                                 | 1,045                                |
| 1996 | 11                            | 46                                 | 1,180                                |

Source: Digest of Welsh Statistics

- (a) Number of trips and number of bed nights rounded to the nearest million, while expenditure is rounded to the nearest 5 million.  
(b) In current pounds.

**13.3 Public libraries**

|                                              | 1974-75 (a) | 1975-76 (a) | 1976-77 | 1977-78 | 1978-79 |
|----------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Number of libraries:                         |             |             |         |         |         |
| Open less than 10 hours per week             | 91          | 110         | 107     | 108     | 111     |
| Open 10-29 hours per week                    | 102         | 105         | 119     | 119     | 114     |
| Open over 30 hours per week                  | 148         | 145         | 151     | 159     | 158     |
| Mobile libraries                             | 62          | 64          | 71      | 66      | 71      |
| Other institutions                           | 274         | 273         | 285     | 305     | 339     |
| Total                                        | 677         | 697         | 733     | 757     | 793     |
| Staff:                                       |             |             |         |         |         |
| Professional posts                           | 409         | 410         | 413     | 413     | 412     |
| Other non-manual posts                       | 817         | 892         | 898     | 907     | 921     |
| Manual posts                                 | 183         | 189         | 164     | 171     | 188     |
| Total                                        | 1,409       | 1,491       | 1,475   | 1,491   | 1,521   |
| Books in stocks (Thousands):                 |             |             |         |         |         |
| Lending books on open shelves (b):           |             |             |         |         |         |
| Adult fiction                                | 1,402       | 1,090       | 1,315   | 1,223   | 1,292   |
| Adult non-fiction                            | 1,783       | 2,216       | 1,915   | 1,647   | 2,043   |
| Children's books                             | 668         | 745         | 832     | 786     | 833     |
| Total                                        | 3,853       | 4,050       | 4,062   | 3,656   | 4,168   |
| Lending books in reserve (c) (Thousands):    |             |             |         |         |         |
| Adult fiction                                | 267         | 257         | 342     | 400     | 321     |
| Adult non-fiction                            | 891         | 861         | 903     | 1,238   | 1,067   |
| Children's books                             | 135         | 129         | 125     | 200     | 198     |
| Total                                        | 1,292       | 1,246       | 1,369   | 1,838   | 1,586   |
| Books on loan (Thousands):                   |             |             |         |         |         |
| Adult fiction                                | 726         | 675         | 758     | 822     | 818     |
| Adult non-fiction                            | 331         | 454         | 362     | 386     | 365     |
| Children's books                             | 190         | 202         | 221     | 236     | 221     |
| Total                                        | 1,246       | 1,331       | 1,343   | 1,444   | 1,404   |
| Reference books                              | 717         | 777         | 831     | 880     | 867     |
| Total volumes                                | 7,109       | 7,404       | 7,605   | 7,818   | 8,025   |
| Other library material in stock (Thousands): |             |             |         |         |         |
| Sheets of printed maps                       | 20          | 23          | 24      | 26      | 27      |
| Manuscripts (d)                              | 61          | 284         | 339     | 334     | 374     |
| Microfilms                                   | 5           | 5           | 7       | 10      | 11      |
| Sound recordings:                            |             |             |         |         |         |
| Discs                                        | ..          | 51          | 67      | 71      | 78      |
| Tapes and cassettes                          | ..          | 12          | 17      | 28      | 36      |
| Total                                        | 25          | 92          | 115     | 135     | 152     |

(a) Excluding Llanelli for 1974-76 and Cynon Valley for 1975-76.

(b) Excluding books on loan.

(c) The same type of book as on open shelves but to which the public do not have direct access.

(d) Metres of occupied shelving.

(e) Figure for 1980-81 refers to tapes and cassettes not video recordings.

(f) For 1980-81 the total of sound recordings only, not video and sound recordings.

**13.3 (continued) Public libraries**

| 1979-80 | 1980-81 | 1981-82 | 1982-83 | 1983-84 |                                              |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------------------------------------------|
| 112     | 116     | 114     | 106     | 107     | Number of libraries:                         |
| 124     | 120     | 122     | 120     | 121     | Open less than 10 hours per week             |
| 146     | 153     | 151     | 150     | 149     | Open 10-29 hours per week                    |
| 70      | 70      | 76      | 75      | 75      | Open over 30 hours per week                  |
| 355     | 464     | 5,003   | 497     | 516     | Mobile libraries                             |
| 807     | 923     | 966     | 948     | 968     | Other institutions                           |
|         |         |         |         |         | Total                                        |
| 369     | 361     | 357     | 346     | 329     | Staff:                                       |
| 838     | 872     | 859     | 827     | 833     | Professional posts                           |
| 160     | 151     | 142     | 156     | 158     | Other non-manual posts                       |
| 1,367   | 1,384   | 1,358   | 1,329   | 1,320   | Manual posts                                 |
|         |         |         |         |         | Total                                        |
|         |         |         |         |         | Books in stocks (Thousands):                 |
| 1,297   | 1,348   | 1,356   | 1,315   | 1,356   | Lending books on open shelves (b):           |
| 1,572   | 1,856   | 1,679   | 1,508   | 1,520   | Adult fiction                                |
| 814     | 854     | 854     | 843     | 944     | Adult non-fiction                            |
| 3,683   | 4,058   | 3,889   | 3,666   | 3,820   | Children's books                             |
|         |         |         |         |         | Total                                        |
|         |         |         |         |         | Lending books in reserve (c) (Thousands):    |
| 421     | 440     | 436     | 464     | 494     | Adult fiction                                |
| 1,162   | 1,142   | 1,236   | 1,201   | 1,137   | Adult non-fiction                            |
| 282     | 270     | 267     | 262     | 272     | Children's books                             |
| 1,865   | 1,852   | 1,939   | 1,927   | 1,903   | Total                                        |
|         |         |         |         |         | Books on loan (Thousands):                   |
| 804     | 848     | 855     | 831     | 876     | Adult fiction                                |
| 380     | 359     | 348     | 331     | 321     | Adult non-fiction                            |
| 256     | 256     | 263     | 251     | 233     | Children's books                             |
| 1,440   | 1,463   | 1,466   | 1,413   | 1,430   | Total                                        |
| 919     | 989     | 999     | 988     | 1,027   | Reference books                              |
| 7,907   | 8,362   | 8,293   | 7,994   | 8,180   | Total volumes                                |
|         |         |         |         |         | Other library material in stock (Thousands): |
| 28      | 29      | 31      | 32      | 33      | Sheets of printed maps                       |
| 380     | 390     | 417     | 427     | 435     | Manuscripts (d)                              |
| 11      | 13      | 13      | 17      | 24      | Microfilms                                   |
|         |         |         |         |         | Sound recordings:                            |
| 81      | 75 (e)  | ..      | ..      | ..      | Discs                                        |
| 34      | 4 (f)   | ..      | ..      | ..      | Tapes and cassettes                          |
| 155     | 116     | 111     | 112     | 144     | Total                                        |

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**13.3 (continued) Public libraries**

|                                                | 1984-85 | 1985-86 | 1986-87 (a) | 1987-88 | 1988-89 (b) |
|------------------------------------------------|---------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|
| Number of libraries:                           |         |         |             |         |             |
| Open less than 10 hours per week               | 94      | 90      | 85          | 77      | 67          |
| Open 10-29 hours per week                      | 120     | 124     | 127         | 129     | 131         |
| Open over 30 hours per week                    | 147     | 144     | 137         | 146     | 146         |
| Mobile libraries                               | 66      | 66      | 60          | 62      | 64          |
| Other institutions                             | 578     | 554     | 747         | 804     | 834         |
| Total                                          | 1,005   | 978     | 1,156       | 1,218   | 1,242       |
| Staff:                                         |         |         |             |         |             |
| Professional posts                             | 301     | 312     | 291         | 314     | 312         |
| Other non-manual posts                         | 770     | 786     | 766         | 776     | 775         |
| Manual posts                                   | 136     | 131     | 124         | 134     | 116         |
| Total                                          | 1,207   | 1,227   | 1,181       | 1,224   | 1,203       |
| Books in stocks (Thousands) (c):               |         |         |             |         |             |
| Lending books on open shelves:                 |         |         |             |         |             |
| Adult fiction                                  | 1,477   | 1,687   | 1,554       | 1,547   | 1,487       |
| Adult non-fiction                              | 1,480   | 1,961   | 1,942       | 1,578   | 1,876       |
| Children's books                               | 827     | 848     | 809         | 838     | 876         |
| Total                                          | 3,784   | 4,496   | 4,305       | 3,963   | 4,239       |
| Lending books in reserve (d) (Thousands):      |         |         |             |         |             |
| Adult fiction                                  | 432     | 229     | 253         | 345     | ..          |
| Adult non-fiction                              | 1,333   | 618     | 599         | 900     | ..          |
| Children's books                               | 246     | 315     | 288         | 293     | ..          |
| Total                                          | 2,011   | 1,162   | 1,140       | 1,538   | ..          |
| Books on loan (Thousands):                     |         |         |             |         |             |
| Adult fiction                                  | 871     | 836     | 808         | 756     | 739         |
| Adult non-fiction                              | 376     | 388     | 400         | 458     | 322         |
| Children's books                               | 260     | 249     | 269         | 284     | 255         |
| Total                                          | 1,507   | 1,473   | 1,477       | 1,498   | 1,516       |
| Reference books                                | 930     | 957     | 934         | 947     | 787         |
| Total volumes                                  | 8,232   | 8,808   | 7,856       | 7,946   | 7,722       |
| Other library material in stock (Thousands):   |         |         |             |         |             |
| Sheets of printed maps (e)                     | 32      | 29      | 30          | 31      | 34          |
| Manuscripts (e) (f)                            | 440     | 531     | 590         | 620     | 584         |
| Microfilms                                     | 25      | 25      | 51          | 61      | 65          |
| Sound recordings and video recordings (000's): |         |         |             |         |             |
| Sound recordings                               | 131     | 140     | 140         | 157     | 155         |
| Video recordings                               | 1       | 1       | 2           | 2       | 3           |
| Total                                          | 132     | 141     | 142         | 159     | 158         |

(a) Figures shown for 1986-87 exclude one district for which returns were not received.

(b) Figures for 1988-89 exclude one district for which returns were not collected.

(c) Figures from 1989-90 include books on loan.

(d) The same type of book as on open shelves but to which the public do not have direct access.

(e) Not separately identified in 1995-96. Figures also include significant collections of prints, photographs and collected items.

(f) Metres of occupied shelving.

**13.3 (continued) Public libraries**

| 1989-90 | 1990-91 | 1991-92 | 1992-93 | 1993-94 | 1994-95 | 1995-96 |                                                |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|------------------------------------------------|
| 65      | 63      | 61      | 62      | 65      | 45      | 51      | Number of libraries:                           |
| 136     | 139     | 145     | 145     | 147     | 144     | 137     | Open less than 10 hours per week               |
| 147     | 149     | 147     | 147     | 141     | 143     | 143     | Open 10-29 hours per week                      |
| 72      | 69      | 68      | 64      | 60      | 58      | 59      | Open over 30 hours per week                    |
| 847     | 898     | 965     | 1,140   | 976     | 981     | 842     | Mobile libraries                               |
| 1,267   | 1,318   | 1,386   | 1,558   | 1,389   | 1,371   | 1,232   | Other institutions                             |
|         |         |         |         |         |         |         | Total                                          |
|         |         |         |         |         |         |         | Staff:                                         |
| ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | Professional posts                             |
| ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | Other non-manual posts                         |
| ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | Manual posts                                   |
| ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | Total                                          |
|         |         |         |         |         |         |         | Books in stocks (Thousands) (c):               |
|         |         |         |         |         |         |         | Lending books on open shelves:                 |
| 2,570   | 2,585   | 2,713   | 2,694   | 2,666   | 2,629   | 2,527   | Adult fiction                                  |
| 2,856   | 2,843   | 2,858   | 2,816   | 2,883   | 2,821   | 2,239   | Adult non-fiction                              |
| 1,330   | 1,358   | 1,438   | 1,455   | 1,525   | 1,474   | 1,432   | Children's books                               |
| 6,756   | 6,786   | 7,009   | 6,965   | 7,074   | 6,924   | 6,198   | Total                                          |
|         |         |         |         |         |         |         | Lending books in reserve (d) (Thousands):      |
| ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | Adult fiction                                  |
| ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | Adult non-fiction                              |
| ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | Children's books                               |
| ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..      | Total                                          |
|         |         |         |         |         |         |         | Books on loan (Thousands):                     |
| 841     | 809     | 838     | 749     | 784     | 762     | 745     | Adult fiction                                  |
| 359     | 356     | 497     | 355     | 364     | 390     | 404     | Adult non-fiction                              |
| 507     | 298     | 322     | 284     | 283     | 298     | 293     | Children's books                               |
| 1,707   | 1,463   | 1,657   | 1,388   | 1,431   | 1,450   | 1,442   | Total                                          |
|         |         |         |         |         |         |         | Reference books                                |
| 629     | 551     | 590     | 585     | 582     | 581     | 582     | Total volumes                                  |
| 7,385   | 7,337   | 7,599   | 7,550   | 7,656   | 7,506   | 6,780   |                                                |
|         |         |         |         |         |         |         | Other library material in stock (Thousands):   |
| 37      | 40      | 41      | 41      | 44      | 44      | }140    | Sheets of printed maps (e)                     |
| 589     | 459     | 478     | 531     | 564     | 566     |         | Manuscripts (e) (f)                            |
| 83      | 83      | 106     | 110     | 114     | 137     | 144     | Microfilms                                     |
|         |         |         |         |         |         |         | Sound recordings and video recordings (000's): |
| 191     | 181     | 202     | 214     | 224     | 243     | 267     | Sound recordings                               |
| 4       | 4       | 7       | 10      | 18      | 19      | 25      | Video recordings                               |
| 195     | 185     | 209     | 224     | 242     | 262     | 292     | Total                                          |

Source: Digest of Welsh Statistics from CIPFA and Society of County Treasurers

**13.4 Welsh Arts Council: expenditure on the arts**

|                                                | 1971-72      | 1972-73      | 1973-74        | 1974-75        | 1975-76        | 1976-77        |
|------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>Music:</b>                                  |              |              |                |                |                |                |
| Grant to Welsh National Opera                  | 373.9 (g)    | 242.0        | 316.0          | 600.4          | 660.0 (i)      | 600.0          |
| Grant to BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra          | ..           | ..           | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             |
| Concerts (a)                                   | 62.6         | 81.7         | 117.4          | 58.6           | 63.7           | 108.4          |
| Grants to festivals                            | 22.3         | 25.1         | 34.0           | 40.9           | 38.1           | 42.5           |
| Commissions and bursaries                      | ..           | ..           | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             |
| Other grants and activities                    | 22.2         | 19.5         | 31.1           | 98.6           | 139.1          | 178.2          |
| <b>Total</b>                                   | <b>481.0</b> | <b>368.3</b> | <b>498.5</b>   | <b>798.5</b>   | <b>900.9</b>   | <b>929.1</b>   |
| <b>Drama:</b>                                  |              |              |                |                |                |                |
| Grants to drama companies                      | ..           | ..           | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             |
| Grants to receiving theatres and arts centres  | ..           | ..           | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             |
| Commissions, bursaries and other awards        | ..           | ..           | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             |
| Other grants and activities                    | ..           | ..           | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             |
| <b>Total</b>                                   | <b>101.4</b> | <b>128.9</b> | <b>229.9</b>   | <b>375.1</b>   | <b>580.7</b>   | <b>780.6</b>   |
| <b>Art:</b>                                    |              |              |                |                |                |                |
| Exhibitions services (a) (b)                   | 43.3         | 35.8         | 41.0           | 44.5           | 86.7           | 88.3           |
| Grants to galleries, art groups and societies  | 3.8          | 10.5         | 11.0           | 22.8           | 18.9           | 22.7           |
| Awards and commissions to artists              | 4.8          | 7.2          | 7.4            | 13.7           | 21.9           | 47.3           |
| Other activities (b)                           | 3.6          | 7.4          | 3.7            | 10.8           | 22.1           | 12.5           |
| <b>Total</b>                                   | <b>55.5</b>  | <b>60.9</b>  | <b>63.1</b>    | <b>91.8</b>    | <b>149.6</b>   | <b>171.0</b>   |
| <b>Literature:</b>                             |              |              |                |                |                |                |
| Grants to periodicals and magazines            | 11.5         | 13.7         | 14.9           | 19.8           | 41.5           | 46.7           |
| Grants to publishers                           | 8.6          | 15.4         | 14.5           | 18.8           | 34.6           | 38.4           |
| Grants to literary societies and organisations | 11.6         | 15.2         | 18.5           | 39.4           | 49.1           | 65.2           |
| Awards to writers                              | 23.5         | 25.7         | 41.6           | 42.4           | 33.7           | 46.2           |
| Other grants and activities                    | ..           | ..           | ..             | ..             | ..             | ..             |
| <b>Total</b>                                   | <b>55.2</b>  | <b>70.0</b>  | <b>89.5</b>    | <b>120.4</b>   | <b>158.9</b>   | <b>196.5</b>   |
| <b>Dance</b>                                   | <b>..</b>    | <b>..</b>    | <b>..</b>      | <b>..</b>      | <b>..</b>      | <b>..</b>      |
| <b>Film (b)</b>                                | <b>..</b>    | <b>..</b>    | <b>..</b>      | <b>..</b>      | <b>..</b>      | <b>..</b>      |
| <b>Craft (b)</b>                               | <b>..</b>    | <b>..</b>    | <b>..</b>      | <b>..</b>      | <b>..</b>      | <b>..</b>      |
| Grants to Regional Arts Associations           | 86.6         | 90.0         | 106.9          | 266.9 (h)      | 168.5          | 193.5          |
| Other organisations and projects (c) (d) (e)   | 6.3          | 19.6         | 49.3           | 73.4           | 85.1           | 138.6          |
| Housing the arts (f)                           | 77.6         | 108.0        | 405.5          | 46.5           | 62.5           | 116.5          |
| Oriel bookshop and gallery (a) (b)             | ..           | ..           | ..             | 41.9           | 82.1           | 97.8           |
| <b>Total expenditure on the arts</b>           | <b>863.0</b> | <b>845.7</b> | <b>1,442.7</b> | <b>1,814.5</b> | <b>2,188.3</b> | <b>2,623.6</b> |

- (a) From 1982-83 areas of direct promotion include a proportion of indirect overheads.
- (b) Depreciation charged on assets attributable to a specific art department is included from 1982-3. Previously assets were written off in the year of purchase and the expenditure was not charged to specific art departments.
- (c) See note (l) below.
- (d) From 1986-87 figure includes grants towards the 'Joint WAC/RAA Touring scheme'.
- (e) The 1986-87 figure has been adjusted in line with the adjustment in the comparative figures in the 1987/8 accounts.
- (f) Monies towards capital expenditure on buildings.
- (g) Includes special provision of £163,000 for the Welsh National Opera Company.
- (h) Includes a special provision of £100,000 for the Quality of Life Experiment.
- (i) Includes a special provision of £160,000 for the Welsh National Opera Company.
- (j) Grants to orchestras and music commissions and bursaries were included in 'Other grants and activities' before 1980-81.
- (k) From 1980-1 expenditure on film and craft is shown gross. In previous years it is included net of grant from the British Film Institute and the Crafts Council.
- (l) From 1982-3 the grant to Chapter Arts Centre is shown under 'Other organisations and projects'. It was previously shown under drama as 'Grants to receiving theatres and arts centres'.
- (m) On 1 April 1994 the Arts Council of Wales took over the assets, liabilities and undertakings of the Welsh Arts Council, North Wales Arts Association and the West Wales Association for the Arts. The data are thus not strictly comparable for those for earlier years.
- (n) Includes a supplementary grant of £842,000 relating specifically to that year.
- (p) From 1986-87 includes grants towards the 'Joint WAC/RAA Touring Scheme'.

**13.4 (continued) Welsh Arts Council: expenditure on the arts**

£ thousands

| 1977-78 | 1978-79 | 1979-80 | 1980-81   | 1981-82 | 1982-83   |                                                |
|---------|---------|---------|-----------|---------|-----------|------------------------------------------------|
| 705.0   | 840.0   | 990.0   | 1,110.0   | 1,211.0 | 1,410.0   | Music:                                         |
| ..      | ..      | ..      | 160.2 (j) | 214.3   | 226.5     | Grant to Welsh National Opera                  |
| 89.6    | 105.3   | 89.2    | 187.6     | 158.4   | 159.9     | Grant to BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra          |
| 60.3    | 48.3    | 70.9    | 83.8      | 104.1   | 125.8     | Concerts (a)                                   |
| ..      | ..      | ..      | 23.9 (j)  | 38.3    | 28.0      | Grants to festivals                            |
| 213.8   | 236.2   | 280.2   | 111.0     | 118.0   | 178.5     | Commissions and bursaries                      |
| 1,068.7 | 1,229.7 | 1,430.3 | 1,676.5   | 1,844.1 | 2,128.7   | Other grants and activities                    |
|         |         |         |           |         |           | Total                                          |
| 602.6   | 760.9   | 905.2   | 986.1     | 1,078.8 | 1,261.1   | Drama:                                         |
| 337.6   | 339.9   | 455.8   | 541.2     | 527.8   | 273.6     | Grants to drama companies                      |
| 13.5    | 19.6    | 14.5    | 46.7      | 62.2    | 50.2      | Grants to receiving theatres and arts centres  |
| 0.5     | 5.6     | 1.2     | 10.2      | 13.6    | 28.2      | Commissions, bursaries and other awards        |
| 954.2   | 1,186.0 | 1,376.7 | 1,584.2   | 1,682.4 | 1,613.1   | Other grants and activities                    |
|         |         |         |           |         |           | Total                                          |
| 113.8   | 150.8   | 158.1   | 168.4     | 133.7   | 99.3      | Art:                                           |
| 83.5    | 129.7   | 131.9   | 153.2     | 195.8   | 247.3     | Exhibitions services (a) (b)                   |
| 16.4    | 33.6    | 38.9    | 37.1      | 55.2    | 63.1      | Grants to galleries, art groups and societies  |
| 7.1     | 8.5     | 16.8    | 17.5      | 22.0    | 30.3      | Awards and commissions to artists              |
| 220.8   | 322.6   | 345.7   | 376.2     | 406.7   | 440.0     | Other activities (b)                           |
|         |         |         |           |         |           | Total                                          |
| 58.7    | 63.8    | 78.8    | 97.2      | 106.3   | 107.8     | Literature:                                    |
| 37.5    | 44.4    | 55.6    | 61.0      | 68.5    | 75.3      | Grants to periodicals and magazines            |
| 114.7   | 134.4   | 216.4   | 217.4     | 230.3   | 249.5     | Grants to publishers                           |
| 47.0    | 43.5    | 3.6     | 19.0      | 15.9    | 33.5      | Grants to literary societies and organisations |
| 22.5    | 53.3    | 41.1    | 26.6      | 45.2    | 44.7      | Awards to writers                              |
| 280.4   | 339.4   | 395.3   | 421.2     | 466.2   | 510.8     | Other grants and activities                    |
|         |         |         |           |         |           | Total                                          |
| 71.0    | 85.1    | 112.8   | 71.7      | 93.5    | 113.1     | Dance                                          |
| 21.7    | 28.3    | 40.3    | 81.9 (k)  | 93.2    | 84.2      | Film (b)                                       |
| ..      | ..      | ..      | 52.2 (k)  | 65.0    | 55.1      | Craft (b)                                      |
| 197.5   | 247.0   | 281.3   | 313.0     | 351.2   | 408.8 (l) | Grants to Regional Arts Associations           |
| 20.6    | 33.0    | 60.5    | 45.7      | 81.1    | 340.1     | Other organisations and projects (c) (d) (e)   |
| 78.0    | 89.0    | 65.0    | 75.0      | 58.0    | 409.0     | Housing the arts (f)                           |
| 95.9    | 70.6    | 85.1    | 106.6     | 128.7   | 170.6     | Oriel bookshop and gallery (a) (b)             |
| 3,008.8 | 3,630.7 | 4,193.0 | 4,804.2   | 5,270.1 | 6,273.5   | Total expenditure on the arts                  |

Source: Digest of Welsh Statistics from Welsh Arts Council

**13.4 (continued) Welsh Arts Council: expenditure on the arts**

|                                                | 1983-84        | 1984-85        | 1985-86        | 1986-87        | 1987-88        | 1988-89        |
|------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>Music:</b>                                  |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Grant to Welsh National Opera                  | 1,393.9        | 1,564.7        | 1,596.0        | 1,644.0        | 1,688.4        | 1,756.0        |
| Grant to BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra          | 270.3          | 295.0          | 360.0          | 370.8          | 380.8          | 396.1          |
| Concerts (a)                                   | 157.5          | 148.9          | 139.1          | 147.6          | 164.0          | 167.2          |
| Grants to festivals                            | 123.7          | 126.3          | 134.3          | 135.5          | 122.1          | 127.3          |
| Commissions and bursaries                      | 40.2           | 31.0           | 31.2           | 34.1           | 22.5           | 38.3           |
| Other grants and activities                    | 203.8          | 216.6          | 187.7          | 191.3          | 207.3          | 277.7          |
| <b>Total</b>                                   | <b>2,189.4</b> | <b>2,382.5</b> | <b>2,442.3</b> | <b>2,523.3</b> | <b>2,585.1</b> | <b>2,762.6</b> |
| <b>Drama:</b>                                  |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Grants to drama companies                      | 1,342.5        | 1,419.6        | 1,539.2        | 1,762.4        | 1,811.2        | 1,937.8        |
| Grants to receiving theatres and arts centres  | 209.9          | 189.0          | 110.0          | -              | -              | -              |
| Commissions, bursaries and other awards        | 54.0           | 35.4           | 27.1           | 22.8           | 30.0           | 35.9           |
| Other grants and activities                    | 27.8           | 29.3           | 22.0           | 23.2           | 0.6            | 9.3            |
| <b>Total</b>                                   | <b>1,634.2</b> | <b>1,673.3</b> | <b>1,698.3</b> | <b>1,808.4</b> | <b>1,841.8</b> | <b>1,983.0</b> |
| <b>Art:</b>                                    |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Exhibitions services (a) (b)                   | 100.6          | 98.1           | 101.7          | 99.6           | 108.9          | 117.8          |
| Grants to galleries, art groups and societies  | 267.1          | 297.0          | 325.5          | 358.0          | 356.8          | 425.0          |
| Awards and commissions to artists              | 60.7           | 60.0           | 79.6           | 49.8           | 27.5           | 54.6           |
| Other activities (b)                           | 57.9           | 49.1           | 41.9           | 17.4           | 22.1           | 24.0           |
| <b>Total</b>                                   | <b>486.3</b>   | <b>504.2</b>   | <b>548.7</b>   | <b>524.8</b>   | <b>515.3</b>   | <b>621.4</b>   |
| <b>Literature:</b>                             |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Grants to periodicals and magazines            | 83.7           | 92.7           | 151.2          | 150.7          | 161.3          | 193.9          |
| Grants to publishers                           | 85.8           | 130.2          | 94.9           | 105.6          | 98.5           | 102.0          |
| Grants to literary societies and organisations | 236.8          | 259.6          | 243.9          | 265.5          | 297.3          | 272.3          |
| Awards to writers                              | 58.0           | 52.7           | 10.0           | ..             | 10.0           | 55.1           |
| Other grants and activities                    | 45.0           | 38.9           | 39.7           | 50.9           | 38.8           | 41.0           |
| <b>Total</b>                                   | <b>509.3</b>   | <b>574.1</b>   | <b>539.7</b>   | <b>572.7</b>   | <b>605.9</b>   | <b>664.3</b>   |
| Dance                                          | 143.6          | 185.1          | 217.4          | 224.1          | 230.1          | 284.1          |
| Film (b)                                       | 86.3           | 86.4           | 86.7           | 90.7           | 102.8          | 102.0          |
| Craft (b)                                      | 64.2           | 68.5           | 69.7           | 73.7           | 81.4           | 89.5           |
| Grants to Regional Arts Associations           | 495.1          | 519.0          | 589.6          | 607.3          | 623.7          | 668.8          |
| Other organisations and projects (c) (d) (e)   | 381.5          | 382.3          | 350.0          | 463.0 (p)      | 561.8          | 583.3          |
| Housing the arts (f)                           | 80.0           | 109.3          | 114.8          | 165.0          | 40.2           | -              |
| Oriel bookshop and gallery (a) (b)             | 196.0          | 191.9          | 199.6          | 198.3          | 200.2          | 224.8          |
| General initiatives                            | .              | .              | .              | .              | .              | .              |
| Lottery: capital grants                        | .              | .              | .              | .              | .              | .              |
| <b>Total expenditure on the arts</b>           | <b>6,265.9</b> | <b>6,676.6</b> | <b>6,856.8</b> | <b>7,251.3</b> | <b>7,388.3</b> | <b>7,983.8</b> |

- (a) From 1982-83 areas of direct promotion include a proportion of indirect overheads.
- (b) Depreciation charged on assets attributable to a specific art department is included from 1982-83. Previously assets were written off in the year of purchase and the expenditure was not charged to specific art departments.
- (c) See note (l) below.
- (d) From 1986-7 figure includes grants towards the 'Joint WAC/RAA Touring scheme'.
- (e) The 1986-7 figure has been adjusted in line with the adjustment in the comparative figures in the 1987-88 accounts.
- (f) Monies towards capital expenditure on buildings.
- (g) Includes special provision of £163,000 for the Welsh National Opera Company.
- (h) Includes a special provision of £100,000 for the Quality of Life Experiment.
- (i) Includes a special provision of £160,000 for the Welsh National Opera Company.
- (j) Grants to orchestras and music commissions and bursaries were included in 'Other grants and activities' before 1980-81.
- (k) From 1980-81 expenditure on film and craft is shown gross. In previous years it is included net of grant from the British Film Institute and the Crafts Council.
- (l) From 1982-83 the grant to Chapter Arts Centre is shown under 'Other organisations and projects'. It was previously shown under drama as 'Grants to receiving theatres and arts centres'.
- (m) On 1 April 1994 the Arts Council of Wales took over the assets, liabilities and undertakings of the Welsh Arts Council, North Wales Arts Association and the West Wales Association for the Arts. The data are thus not strictly comparable for those for earlier years.
- (n) Includes a supplementary grant of £842,000 relating specifically to that year.
- (p) From 1986-87 includes grants towards the 'Joint WAC/RAA Touring Scheme'.

**13.4 (continued) Welsh Arts Council: expenditure on the arts**

£ thousands

| 1989-90 | 1990-91     | 1991-92  | 1992-93  | 1993-94  | 1994-95<br>(m) | 1995-96  |                                                |
|---------|-------------|----------|----------|----------|----------------|----------|------------------------------------------------|
| 1,791.0 | 2,814.0 (n) | 2,304.7  | 2,408.7  | 2,554.1  | 2,605.1        | 2,657.2  | Music:                                         |
| 404.0   | 436.3       | 517.3    | 509.1    | 524.1    | 534.7          | 595.2    | Grant to Welsh National Opera                  |
| 155.2   | 172.0       | 184.9    | 248.6    | 278.8    | 255.5          | -        | Grant to BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra          |
| 129.5   | 142.4       | 155.8    | 187.8    | 192.6    | -              | -        | Concerts (a)                                   |
| 37.6    | 37.7        | 40.1     | 63.8     | 49.1     | 45.3           | 81.2     | Grants to festivals                            |
| 268.5   | 276.9       | 313.5    | 348.0    | 368.0    | 464.8          | 583.4    | Commissions and bursaries                      |
| 2,785.8 | 3,879.3     | 3,516.3  | 3,838.0  | 3,966.7  | 3,905.4        | 3,917.0  | Other grants and activities                    |
|         |             |          |          |          |                |          | Total                                          |
| 1,987.0 | 2,184.3     | 2,421.3  | 2,690.2  | 2,792.9  | 2,985.2        | 3,202.8  | Drama:                                         |
| -       | -           | -        | -        | -        | -              | -        | Grants to drama companies                      |
| 58.7    | 42.2        | 39.8     | 24.1     | 24.7     | 46.2           | 61.2     | Grants to receiving theatres and arts centres  |
| 0.2     | 0.6         | 5.6      | 12.2     | 16.1     | 8.2            | 8.2      | Commissions, bursaries and other awards        |
| 2,045.9 | 2,227.1     | 2,466.7  | 2,726.5  | 2,833.7  | 3,039.6        | 3,272.2  | Other grants and activities                    |
|         |             |          |          |          |                |          | Total                                          |
| 127.2   | 136.5       | 137.1    | 153.6    | 163.4    | 147.6          | -        | Art:                                           |
| 426.5   | 495.7       | 562.4    | 632.3    | 652.4    | 628.0          | 700.2    | Exhibitions services (a) (b)                   |
| 37.7    | 42.9        | 48.9     | 48.8     | 50.5     | 43.3           | 43.3     | Grants to galleries, art groups and societies  |
| 32.3    | 33.2        | 33.8     | 26.1     | 30.7     | 42.6           | 78.4     | Awards and commissions to artists              |
| 623.7   | 708.3       | 782.2    | 860.8    | 897.0    | 861.5          | 821.9    | Other activities (b)                           |
|         |             |          |          |          |                |          | Total                                          |
| 194.8   | 209.9       | 232.7    | 250.8    | 264.7    | 277.7          | 274.6    | Literature:                                    |
| 127.8   | 140.1       | 170.1    | 221.4    | 274.4    | 261.8          | 284.6    | Grants to periodicals and magazines            |
| 286.8   | 316.7       | 320.2    | 330.6    | 287.5    | 255.4          | 289.4    | Grants to publishers                           |
| 53.2    | 59.5        | 64.8     | 83.3     | 107.7    | 66.3           | 65.3     | Grants to literary societies and organisations |
| 22.4    | 41.8        | 57.5     | 62.6     | 49.6     | 33.8           | 94.5     | Awards to writers                              |
| 685.0   | 768.0       | 845.3    | 948.7    | 983.9    | 895.0          | 1,008.4  | Other grants and activities                    |
|         |             |          |          |          |                |          | Total                                          |
| 299.0   | 356.0       | 436.7    | 497.0    | 525.1    | 526.1          | 585.3    | Dance                                          |
| 98.5    | 105.0       | 192.7    | 230.5    | 311.0    | -              | -        | Film (b)                                       |
| 85.4    | 84.5        | 95.0     | 111.5    | 113.8    | 190.7          | 210.1    | Craft (b)                                      |
| 687.1   | 782.1       | 869.6    | 1,043.6  | 1,085.7  | 2,163.2        | 2,241.1  | Grants to Regional Arts Associations           |
| 662.0   | 704.6       | 778.8    | 1,156.0  | 1,190.5  | -              | -        | Other organisations and projects (c) (d) (e)   |
| -       | -           | -        | -        | -        | -              | -        | Housing the arts (f)                           |
| 325.0   | 357.1       | 355.9    | 370.0    | 380.0    | 861.0          | 364.0    | Oriel bookshop and gallery (a) (b)             |
| .       | .           | .        | .        | .        | 458.5          | 586.5    | General initiatives                            |
| .       | .           | .        | .        | .        | .              | 10,332.7 | Lottery: capital grants                        |
| 8,297.4 | 9,952.0     | 10,339.2 | 11,782.6 | 12,287.4 | 12,901.0       | 23,329.2 | Total expenditure on the arts                  |

Source: Digest of Welsh Statistics from Welsh Arts Council

**13.5 Cinemas, admissions and takings, 1974-84 (a)**

|      | Number of<br>cinemas (b) | Admissions<br>(thousands) | Gross<br>takings<br>(£ thousands) | Seating<br>capacity<br>(thousands) | Per cent<br>filled |
|------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1974 | 106                      | 6,928                     | 2,510                             | 65.6                               | 24.1               |
| 1975 | 101                      | 5,453                     | 2,478                             | 58.7                               | 19.4               |
| 1976 | 96                       | 4,729                     | 2,336                             | 52.7                               | 17.6               |
| 1977 | 86                       | 4,707                     | 2,868                             | 45.2                               | 22.2               |
| 1978 | 87                       | 5,886                     | 4,128                             | 44.0                               | 28.4               |
| 1979 | 91                       | 5,137                     | 4,357                             | 45.2                               | 25.3               |
| 1980 | 97                       | 4,511                     | 4,567                             | 43.7                               | 23.4               |
| 1981 | 92                       | 4,028                     | 4,708                             | 38.8                               | 21.2               |
| 1982 | 89                       | 2,892                     | 3,737                             | 34.3                               | 19.3               |
| 1983 | 78                       | 2,580                     | 3,682                             | 27.6                               | 19.7               |
| 1984 | 75                       | 1,985                     | 2,948                             | 25.6                               | 16.4               |

Source: Welsh Social Trends and Digest of Welsh Statistics

(a) Excludes those showing only 16 mm films.

(b) Open at end of year or open for 26 weeks in year.

**13.6 Persons attending cinemas in previous month, by area (a)**

|      | South Glamorgan<br>and Gwent | West and<br>Mid Glamorgan | Mid/West<br>Wales | North<br>Wales | Per cent<br>Wales |
|------|------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| 1986 | 11                           | 10                        | 7                 | 8              | 9                 |
| 1987 | 10                           | 5                         | 15                | 9              | 9                 |
| 1988 | 10                           | 11                        | 9                 | 4              | 9                 |
| 1989 | 14                           | 15                        | 15                | 18             | 15                |
| 1990 | 13                           | 15                        | 11                | 13             | 14                |
| 1991 | 13                           | 12                        | 17                | 16             | 14                |
| 1992 | 12                           | 13                        | 12                | 10             | 12                |
| 1993 | 14                           | 11                        | 15                | 13             | 13                |
| 1994 | 15                           | 19                        | 11                | 13             | 15                |
| 1995 | 12                           | 19                        | 12                | 14             | 15                |

Source: Digest of Welsh Statistics

(a) Open at end of year or open for 26 weeks in year. Based on sample survey by Beaufort Survey Ltd. and Welsh Omnibus small size of sample (about 1,000 for Wales, 150 for Mid/West Wales) means individual figures need to be treated with caution, especially for individual area. Sample survey carried out in June each year.

**13.7 Attendance at sport, by area (a)***Per cent*

|      | Outdoor                   |                    |                |             |       | Indoor                    |                    |                |             |       |
|------|---------------------------|--------------------|----------------|-------------|-------|---------------------------|--------------------|----------------|-------------|-------|
|      | South Glamorgan/<br>Gwent | Mid/West Glamorgan | Mid/West Wales | North Wales | Wales | South Glamorgan/<br>Gwent | Mid/West Glamorgan | Mid/West Wales | North Wales | Wales |
| 1986 | 20                        | 19                 | 23             | 25          | 21    | 11                        | 9                  | 12             | 17          | 12    |
| 1987 | ..                        | ..                 | ..             | ..          | ..    | ..                        | ..                 | ..             | ..          | ..    |
| 1988 | 15                        | 19                 | 23             | 16          | 18    | 10                        | 10                 | 10             | 6           | 9     |
| 1989 | 20                        | 22                 | 25             | 23          | 22    | 13                        | 8                  | 13             | 15          | 12    |
| 1990 | 19                        | 17                 | 18             | 22          | 19    | 11                        | 6                  | 5              | 11          | 8     |
| 1991 | 13                        | 7                  | 21             | 13          | 12    | 8                         | 4                  | 10             | 5           | 6     |
| 1992 | 18                        | 15                 | 21             | 13          | 16    | 11                        | 5                  | 6              | 6           | 7     |
| 1993 | 13                        | 13                 | 15             | 15          | 14    | 5                         | 4                  | 4              | 5           | 4     |
| 1994 | 13                        | 13                 | 19             | 15          | 14    | 5                         | 5                  | 4              | 6           | 5     |
| 1995 | 11                        | 12                 | 10             | 12          | 11    | 4                         | 5                  | 2              | 6           | 5     |

Source: Digest of Welsh Statistics

- (a) Based on sample survey taken in June. Attendance in previous month. The small number in the sample means caution must be exercised, especially in interpreting area figures.

**13.8 People attending certain musical events, by area (a)***Percentage*

|      | Theatre, opera, ballet    |                    |                |             |       | Pop concerts              |                    |                |             |       |
|------|---------------------------|--------------------|----------------|-------------|-------|---------------------------|--------------------|----------------|-------------|-------|
|      | South Glamorgan/<br>Gwent | Mid/West Glamorgan | Mid/West Wales | North Wales | Wales | South Glamorgan/<br>Gwent | Mid/West Glamorgan | Mid/West Wales | North Wales | Wales |
| 1986 | 4                         | 5                  | 3              | 9           | 5     | 4                         | 3                  | 3              | 3           | 3     |
| 1987 | 6                         | 3                  | 5              | 6           | 5     | 6                         | 2                  | 3              | 2           | 3     |
| 1988 | 4                         | 7                  | 3              | 4           | 5     | 9                         | 2                  | 4              | 2           | 4     |
| 1989 | 8                         | 5                  | 6              | 9           | 7     | 4                         | 3                  | 4              | 6           | 4     |
| 1990 | 8                         | 6                  | 6              | 5           | 6     | 8                         | 3                  | 3              | 6           | 5     |
| 1991 | 10                        | 5                  | 6              | 3           | 6     | 6                         | 2                  | 4              | 4           | 4     |
| 1992 | 4                         | 6                  | 4              | 6           | 5     | 5                         | 3                  | 4              | 2           | 4     |
| 1993 | 4                         | 4                  | 5              | 3           | 4     | 3                         | 1                  | 4              | 2           | 2     |
| 1994 | 3                         | 5                  | 2              | 6           | 4     | 5                         | 5                  | -              | 4           | 4     |
| 1995 | 6                         | 5                  | 5              | 6           | 5     | 5                         | 4                  | 3              | 6           | 4     |

Source: Digest of Welsh Statistics

- (a) Based on a sample survey carried out in June each year. The small number in the sample means caution must be exercised, especially in interpreting area figures.

### 13.9 Leisure activities, by gender and social class, participation and ranking, 1993-94 (a)

|                                         | Gender   |      |          |      | Social Class |      |          |      |
|-----------------------------------------|----------|------|----------|------|--------------|------|----------|------|
|                                         | Men      |      | Women    |      | ABC1         |      | C2DE     |      |
|                                         | Per cent | Rank | Per cent | Rank | Per cent     | Rank | Per cent | Rank |
| Pub (drink)                             | 66.2     | 1    | 49.0     | 1    | 61.2         | 1    | 55.2     | 1    |
| Any sport (b)                           | 52.4     | 2    | 38.1     | 3    | 53.2         | 2    | 40.7     | 2    |
| DIY                                     | 45.9     | 3    | 32.0     | 5    | 44.4         | 4    | 35.7     | 4    |
| Gardening                               | 41.5     | 4    | 39.3     | 2    | 45.6         | 3    | 37.6     | 3    |
| Country / Seaside Trip                  | 34.2     | 5    | 35.6     | 4    | 43.2         | 5    | 30.6     | 5    |
| 2/3 day break                           | 15.8     | 6    | 18.0     | 7    | 23.0         | 6    | 13.8     | 8    |
| Cinema                                  | 14.9     | 7    | 14.9     | 9    | 19.9         | 9    | 12.3     | 9    |
| Spectator Outdoor<br>amateur sport      | 14.9     | 7    | 5.5      | 12   | 12.9         | 10   | 8.5      | 12   |
| Tourist / Historical<br>site visit      | 13.8     | 9    | 14.9     | 9    | 21.4         | 8    | 10.7     | 11   |
| Church (c)                              | 12.4     | 10   | 21.9     | 6    | 21.9         | 7    | 15.0     | 6    |
| Other activity (not listed)             | 10.0     | 11   | 15.1     | 8    | 8.9          | 11   | 14.6     | 7    |
| Spectator outdoor<br>professional sport | 6.8      | 12   | 1.9      | 16   | 5.7          | 14   | 3.5      | 13   |
| Bingo                                   | 6.1      | 13   | 12.6     | 11   | 5.9          | 13   | 11.4     | 10   |
| Spectator Indoor<br>amateur sport       | 4.5      | 14   | 3.2      | 14   | 4.5          | 15   | 3.5      | 13   |
| Theatre/ Opera / Ballet                 | 3.9      | 15   | 5.2      | 13   | 7.5          | 12   | 3.1      | 15   |
| Pop concert                             | 2.8      | 16   | 2.1      | 15   | 3.6          | 16   | 1.8      | 16   |
| Spectator indoor<br>professional sport  | 2.3      | 17   | 1.0      | 17   | 1.8          | 17   | 1.5      | 17   |

Source: Sports Council for Wales, Sport Update 25, November 1994

- (a) Based on survey between June 1993 and March 1994 covering 60 locations when at least 1,000 adults in each quarter were interviewed. No two from same household. Records percentage participating in each activity during the four weeks preceding interview.
- (b) Including billiards, snooker and walking.
- (c) Excluding christenings/weddings/funerals.

**13.10 Drinking habits, various years (a)**

|          | Abstainer |        | Occasional |        | Infrequent light |        | Frequent light |        | Moderate |        | Heavy |        |
|----------|-----------|--------|------------|--------|------------------|--------|----------------|--------|----------|--------|-------|--------|
|          | Male      | Female | Male       | Female | Male             | Female | Male           | Female | Male     | Female | Male  | Female |
| 1980     | 5         | 15     | 11         | 27     | 9                | 17     | 29             | 37     | 14       | 3      | 32    | 1      |
| 1982     | 7         | 12     | 9          | 26     | 10               | 21     | 30             | 34     | 15       | 5      | 30    | 2      |
| 1984     | 9         | 19     | 11         | 22     | 11               | 20     | 26             | 34     | 14       | 3      | 29    | 1      |
|          | Abstainer |        | Very low   |        | Low              |        | Moderate       |        | High     |        |       |        |
|          | Male      | Female | Male       | Female | Male             | Female | Male           | Female | Male     | Female | Male  | Female |
| 1986 (b) | 8         | 16     | 11         | 25     | 38               | 36     | 18             | 14     | 24       |        | 24    | 9      |
| 1988     | 8         | 15     | 10         | 24     | 33               | 39     | 21             | 14     | 28       |        | 28    | 8      |
| 1990     | 6         | 15     | 8          | 21     | 34               | 43     | 23             | 11     | 28       |        | 28    | 11     |
| 1993 (c) | ..        | ..     | ..         | ..     | ..               | ..     | ..             | ..     | 26       |        | 26    | 9      |

Source: Welsh Social Trends (from General Household Survey for Great Britain) and Health Promotion Wales

- (a) Persons aged 18 and over for 1980, 1982, 1984 and 1986 and 16 and over for 1988 and 1990. Figures are based on information from a sample of persons taking part in the General Household Survey for Great Britain. They need to be treated with caution because a) the sample for Wales is very small (about 1,000), and b) drinking is not an area where people give wholly truthful answers. (Often because they have deluded themselves).
- (b) After 1984 a more accurate classification was introduced based on the number of units of each type of drink multiplied by the frequency of its consumption, and with different scales for men and women. Previously only the type of drink most frequently drunk was used, underestimating for those who drank a variety of drinks. High drinkers were those who drank over the then recommended maximum of 21 units a week for men and 14 for women. A 1992 survey of secondary school children aged 11-15 indicated that 17 per cent of boys and 12 per cent of girls drank alcohol at least once a week; while 36 per cent of boys and 44 per cent of girls never drank.
- (c) Health Promotion Wales gives figures for 1990 (which at 29 per cent for men and 10 per cent for women as heavy drinkers agrees closely with those given in table). The Health Promotion data allows a breakdown by county of heavy drinkers (again defined as those drinking more than the then recommended sensible limits of 21 for men and 14 for women) for 1993. The results were:

|                 | Men  | Women |
|-----------------|------|-------|
| Clwyd           | 24.9 | 8.4   |
| East Dyfed      | 21.4 | 4.8   |
| Gwent           | 26.7 | 8.2   |
| Gwynedd         | 22.7 | 8.4   |
| Mid Glamorgan   | 31.7 | 8.8   |
| Pembrokeshire   | 21.2 | 6.1   |
| Powys           | 24.1 | 6.0   |
| South Glamorgan | 27.9 | 10.3  |
| West Glamorgan  | 25.2 | 9.9   |
| Wales           | 26.4 | 8.5   |

**13.11 Smoking habits, various years (a)**

|      | Current smokers<br>(per cent) |        | Ex-regular smokers<br>(per cent) |        | Weekly consumption<br>(average number) |        |
|------|-------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------------|--------|
|      | Male                          | Female | Male                             | Female | Male                                   | Female |
| 1976 | 46                            | 37     | 28                               | 11     | 131                                    | 95     |
| 1978 | 44                            | 37     | 25                               | 11     | 127                                    | 108    |
| 1980 | 45                            | 39     | 26                               | 14     | 127                                    | 108    |
| 1982 | 36                            | 34     | 26                               | 12     | 129                                    | 94     |
| 1984 | 42                            | 32     | 26                               | 13     | 120                                    | 104    |
| 1988 | 35                            | 28     | 29                               | 17     | 117                                    | 108    |
| 1990 | 30                            | 31     | 27                               | 15     | 136                                    | 98     |

Source: Welsh Social Trends (from General Household Survey for Great Britain)

- (a) Persons aged 16 and over. A 1992 survey of secondary school children aged 11-15 indicated that 9 per cent of boys and 9 per cent of girls were regular smokers, whilst 55 per cent of boys and 54 per cent of girls never smoked.

**13.12 Use of financial facilities by individuals, by area (a)**

|                          | South<br>Glamorgan/<br>Gwent | Mid/West<br>Glamorgan | Mid/West<br>Wales | North<br>Wales | Wales |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------|
| Percentage having:       |                              |                       |                   |                |       |
| Current bank account:    |                              |                       |                   |                |       |
| 1986                     | 60                           | 71                    | 69                | 76             | 68    |
| 1987                     | 63                           | 65                    | 79                | 73             | 69    |
| 1988                     | 72                           | 74                    | 79                | 74             | 74    |
| 1989                     | 69                           | 69                    | 70                | 83             | 72    |
| 1990                     | 77                           | 80                    | 83                | 79             | 79    |
| 1991                     | 71                           | 68                    | 74                | 76             | 72    |
| 1992                     | 78                           | 75                    | 74                | 73             | 75    |
| 1993                     | 72                           | 67                    | 78                | 78             | 72    |
| 1994                     | 75                           | 77                    | 80                | 82             | 78    |
| 1995                     | 74                           | 77                    | 83                | 73             | 76    |
| Credit card:             |                              |                       |                   |                |       |
| 1986                     | 29                           | 30                    | 37                | 46             | 35    |
| 1987                     | 31                           | 35                    | 47                | 36             | 36    |
| 1988                     | 38                           | 43                    | 46                | 42             | 42    |
| 1989                     | 40                           | 42                    | 42                | 52             | 44    |
| 1990                     | 48                           | 48                    | 54                | 55             | 51    |
| 1991                     | 43                           | 42                    | 46                | 44             | 43    |
| 1992                     | 45                           | 45                    | 46                | 41             | 44    |
| 1993                     | 36                           | 31                    | 49                | 44             | 38    |
| 1994                     | 42                           | 38                    | 43                | 40             | 40    |
| 1995                     | 45                           | 50                    | 51                | 39             | 46    |
| Cashpoint card:          |                              |                       |                   |                |       |
| 1986                     | ..                           | ..                    | ..                | ..             | ..    |
| 1987                     | 34                           | 33                    | 25                | 35             | 33    |
| 1988                     | 41                           | 43                    | 38                | 49             | 43    |
| 1989                     | 43                           | 40                    | 48                | 58             | 46    |
| 1990                     | 50                           | 50                    | 54                | 52             | 51    |
| 1991                     | 50                           | 46                    | 42                | 55             | 48    |
| 1992                     | 52                           | 52                    | 48                | 51             | 51    |
| 1993                     | 47                           | 50                    | 43                | 57             | 50    |
| 1994                     | 51                           | 54                    | 62                | 55             | 55    |
| 1995                     | 60                           | 60                    | 61                | 55             | 59    |
| Shares in companies (b): |                              |                       |                   |                |       |
| 1986                     | ..                           | ..                    | ..                | ..             | ..    |
| 1987                     | 13                           | 10                    | 14                | 19             | 13    |
| 1988                     | 13                           | 12                    | 13                | 18             | 14    |
| 1989                     | 14                           | 11                    | 17                | 18             | 14    |
| 1990                     | 19                           | 13                    | 17                | 25             | 18    |
| 1991                     | 20                           | 15                    | 14                | 31             | 18    |
| 1992                     | 18                           | 15                    | 25                | 19             | 18    |
| 1993                     | 20                           | 13                    | 16                | 15             | 16    |
| 1994                     | 14                           | 12                    | 25                | 15             | 15    |
| 1995                     | 18                           | 12                    | 14                | 13             | 15    |

Source: Beaufort Research Ltd. Welsh Omnibus Survey

(a) See note in Table 13.9.

(b) Not including unit or investment trusts.

### 13.13 Religion: congregations, language of service and services held in Christian churches, by denominations, 1982 (a)

Percentage

|                                 | Average<br>size by<br>adult<br>attenders<br>(number) | Adults<br>attending<br>twice on<br>Sunday | Per cent of churches whose services are in: |                         |                 |                 |                           |                 |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
|                                 |                                                      |                                           | Welsh<br>only                               | Welsh<br>and<br>English | English<br>only | Morning<br>only | Morning<br>and<br>evening | Evening<br>only |
| Clwyd:                          |                                                      |                                           |                                             |                         |                 |                 |                           |                 |
| Church in Wales                 | 60                                                   | 20                                        | 4                                           | 27                      | 69              | 22              | 70                        | 8               |
| Presbyterian Church<br>of Wales | 35                                                   | 31                                        | 75                                          | 7                       | 18              | 12              | 75                        | 13              |
| Baptist                         | 26                                                   | 46                                        | 50                                          | 24                      | 26              | 18              | 50                        | 32              |
| Union of Welsh<br>Independents  | 25                                                   | 56                                        | 74                                          | 17                      | 9               | 14              | 49                        | 37              |
| Methodist                       | 32                                                   | 20                                        | 35                                          | 8                       | 57              | 8               | 53                        | 39              |
| Other Denominations             | 49                                                   | 35                                        | 7                                           | -                       | 93              | 16              | 74                        | 10              |
| All Protestants                 | 40                                                   | 23                                        | 41                                          | 15                      | 44              | 15              | 67                        | 19              |
| Roman Catholic                  | 253                                                  | 2                                         | -                                           | -                       | 100             | 23              | 77                        | -               |
| All                             | 45                                                   | 22                                        | 40                                          | 15                      | 45              | 15              | 67                        | 19              |
| Dyfed:                          |                                                      |                                           |                                             |                         |                 |                 |                           |                 |
| Church in Wales                 | 40                                                   | 20                                        | 13                                          | 46                      | 41              | 27              | 56                        | 17              |
| Presbyterian Church<br>of Wales | 30                                                   | 37                                        | 82                                          | 11                      | 7               | 24              | 56                        | 20              |
| Baptist                         | 41                                                   | 42                                        | 78                                          | 7                       | 15              | 20              | 67                        | 13              |
| Union of Welsh<br>Independents  | 46                                                   | 35                                        | 92                                          | 5                       | 3               | 19              | 65                        | 16              |
| Methodist                       | 22                                                   | 19                                        | 17                                          | -                       | 83              | 13              | 31                        | 56              |
| Other Denominations             | 37                                                   | 53                                        | 6                                           | 21                      | 73              | 14              | 70                        | 16              |
| All Protestants                 | 38                                                   | 29                                        | 53                                          | 20                      | 27              | 22              | 60                        | 18              |
| Roman Catholic                  | 133                                                  | -                                         | -                                           | 11                      | 89              | 11              | 89                        | -               |
| All                             | 39                                                   | 29                                        | 52                                          | 20                      | 28              | 22              | 60                        | 18              |
| Gwent:                          |                                                      |                                           |                                             |                         |                 |                 |                           |                 |
| Church in Wales                 | 50                                                   | 21                                        | 1                                           | 1                       | 98              | 27              | 71                        | 2               |
| Presbyterian Church<br>of Wales | 23                                                   | 32                                        | 3                                           | 3                       | 94              | 13              | 61                        | 26              |
| Baptist                         | 44                                                   | 38                                        | 3                                           | 1                       | 96              | 8               | 74                        | 18              |
| Union of Welsh<br>Independents  | 27                                                   | 46                                        | 7                                           | 29                      | 64              | 20              | 53                        | 27              |
| Methodist                       | 32                                                   | 29                                        | 2                                           | -                       | 98              | 10              | 55                        | 35              |
| Other Denominations             | 46                                                   | 45                                        | 2                                           | 2                       | 96              | 5               | 88                        | 7               |
| All Protestants                 | 41                                                   | 23                                        | 2                                           | 2                       | 96              | 15              | 72                        | 13              |
| Roman Catholic                  | 263                                                  | 1                                         | -                                           | -                       | 100             | -               | 100                       | -               |
| All                             | 45                                                   | 22                                        | 2                                           | 2                       | 96              | 15              | 72                        | 13              |

Source: Brierley, P. and Evans, B., Prospects for Wales: from a Census of the Churches in 1982

- (a) Based on responses from the churches in each of the counties. In Clwyd 51 per cent of all the churches responded; in Dyfed 64 per cent; in Gwent, 45 per cent; in Gwynedd 54 per cent; in Mid Glamorgan 46 per cent; in Powys 54 per cent; in South Glamorgan 40 per cent; in West Glamorgan 50 per cent and, in Wales, 53 per cent.

**13.13 (continued) Religion: congregations, language of service and services held in Christian churches, by denominations, 1982 (a)***Percentage*

|                                 | Average<br>size by<br>adult<br>attenders<br>(number) | Adults<br>attending<br>twice on<br>Sunday | Per cent of churches whose services are in: |                         |                 |                 |                           |                 |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
|                                 |                                                      |                                           | Welsh<br>only                               | Welsh<br>and<br>English | English<br>only | Morning<br>only | Morning<br>and<br>evening | Evening<br>only |
| Gwynedd:                        |                                                      |                                           |                                             |                         |                 |                 |                           |                 |
| Church in Wales                 | 50                                                   | 19                                        | 15                                          | 62                      | 23              | 22              | 66                        | 12              |
| Presbyterian Church<br>of Wales | 35                                                   | 37                                        | 90                                          | 3                       | 7               | 12              | 73                        | 15              |
| Baptist                         | 22                                                   | 41                                        | 91                                          | 3                       | 6               | 14              | 50                        | 36              |
| Union of Welsh<br>Independents  | 25                                                   | 42                                        | 95                                          | 4                       | 1               | 9               | 59                        | 32              |
| Methodist                       | 30                                                   | 22                                        | 76                                          | 3                       | 21              | 16              | 54                        | 30              |
| Other Denominations             | 45                                                   | 77                                        | 11                                          | 22                      | 67              | 10              | 70                        | 20              |
| All Protestants                 | 34                                                   | 29                                        | 73                                          | 16                      | 11              | 14              | 65                        | 21              |
| Roman Catholic                  | 153                                                  | 3                                         | -                                           | 47                      | 53              | 42              | 41                        | 17              |
| All                             | 36                                                   | 28                                        | 71                                          | 17                      | 12              | 15              | 64                        | 21              |
| Mid Glamorgan:                  |                                                      |                                           |                                             |                         |                 |                 |                           |                 |
| Church in Wales                 | 55                                                   | 24                                        | 1                                           | 6                       | 93              | 22              | 75                        | 3               |
| Presbyterian Church<br>of Wales | 25                                                   | 35                                        | 47                                          | 35                      | 18              | 2               | 67                        | 31              |
| Baptist                         | 32                                                   | 41                                        | 4                                           | 45                      | 51              | 2               | 74                        | 24              |
| Union of Welsh<br>Independents  | 27                                                   | 34                                        | 34                                          | 57                      | 9               | 7               | 61                        | 32              |
| Methodist                       | 22                                                   | 38                                        | 6                                           | 9                       | 85              | 6               | 46                        | 48              |
| Other Denominations             | 50                                                   | 40                                        | 2                                           | 3                       | 95              | 3               | 94                        | 3               |
| All Protestants                 | 36                                                   | 26                                        | 13                                          | 29                      | 58              | 9               | 73                        | 18              |
| Roman Catholic                  | 397                                                  | 1                                         | -                                           | 11                      | 89              | 10              | 90                        | -               |
| All                             | 43                                                   | 25                                        | 12                                          | 29                      | 59              | 9               | 73                        | 18              |
| Powys:                          |                                                      |                                           |                                             |                         |                 |                 |                           |                 |
| Church in Wales                 | 36                                                   | 14                                        | -                                           | 8                       | 92              | 40              | 46                        | 14              |
| Presbyterian Church<br>of Wales | 22                                                   | 35                                        | 50                                          | 16                      | 34              | 24              | 39                        | 37              |
| Baptist                         | 22                                                   | 30                                        | 16                                          | 5                       | 79              | 11              | 38                        | 51              |
| Union of Welsh<br>Independents  | 23                                                   | 31                                        | 59                                          | 21                      | 20              | 19              | 45                        | 36              |
| Methodist                       | 18                                                   | 14                                        | -                                           | -                       | 100             | 23              | 10                        | 67              |
| Other Denominations             | 17                                                   | 66                                        | -                                           | 7                       | 93              | 20              | 33                        | 47              |
| All Protestants                 | 26                                                   | 23                                        | 21                                          | 10                      | 69              | 25              | 40                        | 35              |
| Roman Catholic                  | 101                                                  | 3                                         | -                                           | -                       | 100             | -               | 100                       | -               |
| All                             | 26                                                   | 22                                        | 21                                          | 10                      | 69              | 25              | 40                        | 35              |

Source: Brierley, P. and Evans, B., Prospects for Wales: from a Census of the Churches in 1982

- (a) Based on responses from the churches in each of the counties. In Clwyd 51 per cent of all the churches responded; in Dyfed 64 per cent; in Gwent, 45 per cent; in Gwynedd 54 per cent; in Mid Glamorgan 46 per cent; in Powys 54 per cent; in South Glamorgan 40 per cent; in West Glamorgan 50 per cent and, in Wales, 53 per cent.

### 13.13 (continued) Religion: congregations, language of service and services held in Christian churches, by denominations, 1982 (a)

Percentage

|                              | Average size by adult attenders (number) | Adults attending twice on Sunday | Per cent of churches whose services are in: |                   |              |              |                     |              |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------|
|                              |                                          |                                  | Welsh only                                  | Welsh and English | English only | Morning only | Morning and evening | Evening only |
| South Glamorgan:             |                                          |                                  |                                             |                   |              |              |                     |              |
| Church in Wales              | 80                                       | 16                               | 1                                           | 5                 | 94           | 17           | 75                  | 8            |
| Presbyterian Church of Wales | 66                                       | 25                               | 17                                          | 9                 | 74           | 4            | 83                  | 13           |
| Baptist                      | 89                                       | 30                               | 1                                           | 7                 | 92           | 3            | 91                  | 6            |
| Union of Welsh Independents  | 52                                       | 50                               | 57                                          | 29                | 14           | -            | 86                  | 14           |
| Methodist                    | 74                                       | 20                               | 3                                           | 2                 | 95           | 9            | 79                  | 12           |
| Other Denominations          | 123                                      | 47                               | 3                                           | 3                 | 94           | 11           | 86                  | 3            |
| All Protestants              | 86                                       | 22                               | 7                                           | 5                 | 88           | 12           | 81                  | 7            |
| Roman Catholic               | 562                                      | 2                                | 6                                           | -                 | 94           | 13           | 87                  | -            |
| All                          | 120                                      | 20                               | 7                                           | 5                 | 88           | 12           | 81                  | 7            |
| West Glamorgan:              |                                          |                                  |                                             |                   |              |              |                     |              |
| Church in Wales              | 68                                       | 26                               | 4                                           | 13                | 83           | 13           | 83                  | 4            |
| Presbyterian Church of Wales | 37                                       | 36                               | 37                                          | 24                | 39           | 2            | 83                  | 15           |
| Baptist                      | 53                                       | 40                               | 38                                          | 22                | 40           | 4            | 75                  | 21           |
| Union of Welsh Independents  | 50                                       | 36                               | 49                                          | 38                | 13           | 3            | 83                  | 14           |
| Methodist                    | 41                                       | 35                               | 10                                          | 6                 | 84           | 11           | 72                  | 17           |
| Other Denominations          | 62                                       | 48                               | -                                           | 2                 | 98           | 10           | 86                  | 4            |
| All Protestants              | 53                                       | 29                               | 24                                          | 19                | 57           | 7            | 82                  | 11           |
| Roman Catholic               | 561                                      | 2                                | -                                           | -                 | 100          | 13           | 87                  | -            |
| All                          | 63                                       | 28                               | 24                                          | 18                | 58           | 7            | 82                  | 11           |
| Wales:                       |                                          |                                  |                                             |                   |              |              |                     |              |
| Church in Wales              | 51                                       | 21                               | 6                                           | 26                | 68           | 24           | 67                  | 9            |
| Presbyterian Church of Wales | 32                                       | 35                               | 68                                          | 10                | 22           | 14           | 67                  | 19           |
| Baptist                      | 39                                       | 39                               | 35                                          | 17                | 48           | 10           | 67                  | 23           |
| Union of Welsh Independents  | 35                                       | 38                               | 71                                          | 21                | 8            | 12           | 63                  | 25           |
| Methodist                    | 31                                       | 24                               | 21                                          | 4                 | 75           | 11           | 49                  | 40           |
| Other Denominations          | 57                                       | 45                               | 3                                           | 6                 | 91           | 9            | 81                  | 10           |
| All Protestants              | 40                                       | 26                               | 35                                          | 16                | 49           | 15           | 66                  | 19           |
| Roman Catholic               | 322                                      | 2                                | 1                                           | 11                | 88           | 17           | 80                  | 3            |
| All                          | 46                                       | 25                               | 34                                          | 16                | 50           | 15           | 67                  | 18           |

Source: Brierley, P. and Evans, B., Prospects for Wales: from a Census of the Churches in 1982

- (a) Based on responses from the churches in each of the counties. In Clwyd 51 per cent of all the churches responded; in Dyfed 64 per cent; in Gwent, 45 per cent; in Gwynedd 54 per cent; in Mid Glamorgan 46 per cent; in Powys 54 per cent; in South Glamorgan 40 per cent; in West Glamorgan 50 per cent and, in Wales, 53 per cent.

**13.14 Religion: attendance and membership of Christian churches by denomination (a)**

|                              | Child attenders |        | Adult attenders |        | Members |         | Per cent of churches |
|------------------------------|-----------------|--------|-----------------|--------|---------|---------|----------------------|
|                              | 1978            | 1982   | 1978            | 1982   | 1978    | 1982    | which grew           |
| Clwyd:                       |                 |        |                 |        |         |         |                      |
| Church in Wales              | 4,200           | 5,000  | 11,100          | 11,800 | 19,200  | 19,300  | 19                   |
| Presbyterian Church of Wales | 3,200           | 3,100  | 7,300           | 7,100  | 14,800  | 14,000  | 4                    |
| Baptist                      | 900             | 800    | 1,700           | 1,700  | 2,500   | 2,200   | 9                    |
| Union of Welsh Independents  | 400             | 400    | 1,000           | 1,100  | 2,700   | 2,600   | 4                    |
| Methodist                    | 2,000           | 1,900  | 4,900           | 4,700  | 8,100   | 7,100   | 7                    |
| Other Denominations          | 1,000           | 1,100  | 2,500           | 2,600  | 2,900   | 2,900   | 35                   |
| All Protestant               | 11,700          | 12,300 | 28,500          | 29,000 | 50,200  | 48,100  | 10                   |
| Roman Catholic               | 3,900           | 4,000  | 12,300          | 12,300 | 30,700  | 29,900  | *                    |
| All                          | 15,600          | 16,300 | 40,800          | 41,300 | 80,900  | 78,000  | 11                   |
| Dyfed:                       |                 |        |                 |        |         |         |                      |
| Church in Wales              | 4,200           | 4,800  | 11,700          | 12,500 | 33,900  | 29,600  | 14                   |
| Presbyterian Church of Wales | 3,600           | 3,000  | 8,700           | 7,400  | 18,600  | 17,000  | 3                    |
| Baptist                      | 2,800           | 2,800  | 7,700           | 7,400  | 17,200  | 16,200  | 2                    |
| Union of Welsh Independents  | 3,100           | 3,400  | 9,100           | 9,500  | 28,900  | 27,000  | 6                    |
| Methodist                    | 500             | 400    | 1,300           | 1,100  | 1,700   | 1,600   | 2                    |
| Other Denominations          | 1,200           | 1,400  | 2,600           | 2,600  | 2,700   | 2,700   | 15                   |
| All Protestant               | 15,400          | 15,800 | 41,100          | 40,500 | 103,000 | 94,100  | 8                    |
| Roman Catholic               | 800             | 1,000  | 2,800           | 3,000  | 6,500   | 6,700   | *                    |
| All                          | 16,200          | 16,800 | 43,900          | 43,500 | 109,500 | 100,800 | 8                    |
| Gwent:                       |                 |        |                 |        |         |         |                      |
| Church in Wales              | 3,800           | 4,800  | 9,900           | 11,000 | 15,500  | 15,900  | 15                   |
| Presbyterian Church of Wales | 700             | 600    | 1,200           | 1,100  | 1,700   | 1,500   | -                    |
| Baptist                      | 3,200           | 3,300  | 5,200           | 5,300  | 6,800   | 6,600   | 14                   |
| Union of Welsh Independents  | 450             | 500    | 1,100           | 1,100  | 1,600   | 1,600   | 7                    |
| Methodist                    | 1,850           | 1,600  | 2,800           | 2,700  | 3,900   | 3,400   | 11                   |
| Other Denominations          | 2,800           | 3,100  | 4,400           | 5,300  | 4,900   | 6,000   | 20                   |
| All Protestant               | 12,800          | 13,900 | 24,600          | 26,500 | 34,400  | 35,000  | 13                   |
| Roman Catholic               | 3,100           | 3,100  | 8,000           | 9,400  | 22,700  | 26,100  | *                    |
| All                          | 15,900          | 17,000 | 32,600          | 35,900 | 57,100  | 61,100  | 13                   |

Source: Brierley, P. and Evans, B., Prospects for Wales: from a Census of the Churches in 1982

- (a) Based on responses from the churches in each of the counties. In Clwyd 69 per cent of all the churches responded; in Dyfed 78 per cent; in Gwent 58 per cent; in Gwynedd 67 per cent; in Mid Glamorgan 56 per cent; in Powys 70 per cent; in South Glamorgan 52 per cent; in West Glamorgan 59 per cent and, in Wales, 67 per cent. \* indicates that there were too few growing churches to give a meaningful figure.

### 13.14 (continued) Religion: attendance and membership of Christian churches by denomination (a)

|                              | Child attenders |        | Adults attenders |        | Members |        | Per cent of churches which grew |
|------------------------------|-----------------|--------|------------------|--------|---------|--------|---------------------------------|
|                              | 1978            | 1982   | 1978             | 1982   | 1978    | 1982   |                                 |
| <b>Gwynedd:</b>              |                 |        |                  |        |         |        |                                 |
| Church in Wales              | 2,500           | 2,800  | 8,800            | 8,800  | 14,400  | 13,200 | 18                              |
| Presbyterian Church of Wales | 6,200           | 6,500  | 12,200           | 12,100 | 32,300  | 31,200 | 3                               |
| Baptist                      | 600             | 650    | 1,900            | 1,800  | 3,600   | 3,100  | 4                               |
| Union of Welsh Independents  | 1,600           | 1,900  | 4,100            | 3,900  | 12,500  | 11,700 | 2                               |
| Methodist                    | 900             | 800    | 2,500            | 2,400  | 4,500   | 4,000  | 9                               |
| Other Denominations          | 200             | 250    | 500              | 600    | 600     | 700    | 14                              |
| All Protestant               | 12,000          | 12,900 | 30,000           | 29,500 | 67,900  | 63,900 | 7                               |
| Roman Catholic               | 1,300           | 1,300  | 4,000            | 3,900  | 7,700   | 8,000  | *                               |
| All                          | 13,300          | 14,200 | 34,000           | 33,500 | 75,600  | 71,900 | 7                               |
| <b>Mid Glamorgan:</b>        |                 |        |                  |        |         |        |                                 |
| Church in Wales              | 3,900           | 4,900  | 9,100            | 10,000 | 15,900  | 16,300 | 19                              |
| Presbyterian Church of Wales | 800             | 800    | 2,400            | 2,200  | 4,100   | 3,500  | 3                               |
| Baptist                      | 3,700           | 3,300  | 5,300            | 4,700  | 7,300   | 6,700  | 8                               |
| Union of Welsh Independents  | 1,100           | 900    | 3,000            | 2,600  | 6,200   | 5,500  | 4                               |
| Methodist                    | 1,200           | 1,300  | 1,500            | 1,500  | 2,100   | 2,000  | 4                               |
| Other Denominations          | 3,500           | 4,100  | 6,300            | 7,200  | 7,800   | 7,600  | 23                              |
| All Protestant               | 14,200          | 15,300 | 27,600           | 28,200 | 43,400  | 41,600 | 11                              |
| Roman Catholic               | 3,500           | 3,300  | 8,400            | 8,200  | 17,500  | 18,700 | *                               |
| All                          | 17,700          | 18,600 | 36,000           | 36,400 | 60,900  | 60,300 | 10                              |
| <b>Powys:</b>                |                 |        |                  |        |         |        |                                 |
| Church in Wales              | 1,300           | 1,600  | 4,300            | 4,800  | 9,000   | 8,300  | 21                              |
| Presbyterian Church of Wales | 700             | 700    | 2,300            | 2,100  | 4,400   | 4,000  | 3                               |
| Baptist                      | 700             | 500    | 1,600            | 1,400  | 2,300   | 2,100  | -                               |
| Union of Welsh Independents  | 300             | 300    | 1,200            | 1,100  | 2,700   | 2,500  | 3                               |
| Methodist                    | 350             | 400    | 1,200            | 1,200  | 1,900   | 1,700  | 11                              |
| Other Denominations          | 300             | 400    | 700              | 700    | 1,000   | 900    | -                               |
| All Protestant               | 3,650           | 3,900  | 11,300           | 11,300 | 21,300  | 19,500 | 10                              |
| Roman Catholic               | 350             | 400    | 1,200            | 1,400  | 2,700   | 2,800  | *                               |
| All                          | 4,000           | 4,300  | 12,500           | 12,700 | 24,000  | 22,300 | 10                              |

Source: Brierley, P. and Evans, B., Prospects for Wales: from a Census of the Churches in 1982

- (a) Based on responses from the churches in each of the counties. In Clwyd 69 per cent of all the churches responded; in Dyfed 78 per cent; in Gwent 58 per cent; in Gwynedd 67 per cent; in Mid Glamorgan 56 per cent; in Powys 70 per cent; in South Glamorgan 52 per cent; in West Glamorgan 59 per cent and, in Wales, 67 per cent. \* indicates that there were too few growing churches to give a meaningful figure.

**13.14 (continued) Religion: attendance and membership of Christian churches by denomination (a)**

|                              | Child attenders |         | Adult attenders |         | Members |         | Per cent of churches which grew |
|------------------------------|-----------------|---------|-----------------|---------|---------|---------|---------------------------------|
|                              | 1978            | 1982    | 1978            | 1982    | 1978    | 1982    |                                 |
| South Glamorgan:             |                 |         |                 |         |         |         |                                 |
| Church in Wales              | 3,200           | 3,900   | 10,600          | 11,600  | 14,700  | 15,700  | 14                              |
| Presbyterian Church of Wales | 1,100           | 1,000   | 2,200           | 2,000   | 3,400   | 3,200   | 6                               |
| Baptist                      | 2,200           | 2,000   | 3,200           | 3,400   | 4,400   | 4,000   | 17                              |
| Union of Welsh Independents  | 300             | 300     | 700             | 700     | 1,600   | 1,600   | *                               |
| Methodist                    | 1,600           | 1,400   | 2,400           | 2,400   | 3,300   | 3,100   | 31                              |
| Other Denominations          | 3,500           | 4,100   | 7,400           | 7,800   | 8,600   | 9,400   | 25                              |
| All Protestant               | 11,900          | 12,700  | 26,500          | 27,900  | 36,000  | 37,000  | 19                              |
| Roman Catholic               | 3,600           | 3,600   | 11,500          | 10,900  | 21,400  | 22,000  | *                               |
| All                          | 15,500          | 16,300  | 38,000          | 38,800  | 57,400  | 59,000  | 19                              |
| West Glamorgan:              |                 |         |                 |         |         |         |                                 |
| Church in Wales              | 4,300           | 4,900   | 10,000          | 10,200  | 18,800  | 19,300  | 13                              |
| Presbyterian Church of Wales | 1,400           | 1,300   | 3,100           | 3,000   | 6,100   | 5,500   | 7                               |
| Baptist                      | 2,200           | 2,400   | 6,000           | 5,500   | 9,900   | 9,300   | 11                              |
| Union of Welsh Independents  | 1,900           | 2,000   | 5,500           | 5,100   | 13,900  | 12,700  | 4                               |
| Methodist                    | 900             | 900     | 1,800           | 1,600   | 2,800   | 2,400   | 8                               |
| Other Denominations          | 2,400           | 2,800   | 4,600           | 4,900   | 4,900   | 5,100   | 20                              |
| All Protestant               | 13,100          | 14,300  | 31,000          | 30,300  | 56,400  | 54,300  | 10                              |
| Roman Catholic               | 2,500           | 2,500   | 7,900           | 7,600   | 16,500  | 15,400  | *                               |
| All                          | 15,600          | 16,800  | 38,900          | 37,900  | 72,900  | 69,700  | 10                              |
| Wales:                       |                 |         |                 |         |         |         |                                 |
| Church in Wales              | 27,400          | 32,700  | 75,500          | 80,700  | 141,400 | 137,600 | 16                              |
| Presbyterian Church of Wales | 17,700          | 17,000  | 39,400          | 37,000  | 85,400  | 79,900  | 3                               |
| Baptist                      | 16,300          | 15,750  | 32,600          | 31,200  | 54,000  | 50,200  | 8                               |
| Union of Welsh Independents  | 9,150           | 9,700   | 25,700          | 25,100  | 70,100  | 65,200  | 5                               |
| Methodist                    | 9,300           | 8,700   | 18,400          | 17,600  | 28,300  | 25,300  | 9                               |
| Other Denominations          | 14,900          | 17,250  | 29,000          | 31,700  | 33,400  | 35,300  | 21                              |
| All Protestant               | 94,750          | 101,100 | 220,800         | 223,200 | 412,600 | 393,500 | 10                              |
| Roman Catholic               | 19,050          | 19,200  | 56,700          | 56,700  | 125,700 | 129,600 | 9                               |
| All                          | 113,800         | 120,300 | 276,700         | 280,000 | 538,300 | 523,100 | 10                              |

Source: Brierley, P. and Evans, B., Prospects for Wales: from a Census of the Churches in 1982

- (a) Based on responses from the churches in each of the counties. In Clwyd 69 per cent of all the churches responded; in Dyfed 78 per cent; in Gwent 58 per cent; in Gwynedd 67 per cent; in Mid Glamorgan 56 per cent; in Powys 70 per cent; in South Glamorgan 52 per cent; in West Glamorgan 59 per cent and, in Wales, 67 per cent. \* indicates that there were too few growing churches to give a meaningful figure.

### 13.15 Religion: Christian ministers and churches, adult members and attenders, by denominations, 1982 (a)

|                              | Number of ministers | Number of churches | Members as per cent of population | Attenders as per cent of population |
|------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Church in Wales              | 800                 | 1,675              | 6.3                               | 3.7                                 |
| Presbyterian Church of Wales | 220                 | 1,169              | 3.7                               | 1.7                                 |
| Baptist                      | 311                 | 833                | 2.3                               | 1.4                                 |
| Union of Welsh Independents  | 210                 | 746                | 3.0                               | 1.2                                 |
| Methodists                   | 100                 | 553                | 1.2                               | 0.8                                 |
| Other Denominations          | 405                 | 590                | 1.6                               | 1.5                                 |
| All protestant               | 2,046               | 5,566              | 18.1                              | 10.3                                |
| Roman Catholic               | 262                 | 206                | 6.0                               | 2.6                                 |
| All                          | 2,318               | 5,772              | 24.1                              | 12.9                                |

Source: Brierley, P. and Evans, B., Prospects for Wales: from a Census of the Churches in 1982

(a) Based on responses from 53 per cent of all the churches in Wales.

### 13.16 Religion: Ministers, churches and church members, various years

|                    | Ministers |       |       | Churches |       |       | Church members |         |         |
|--------------------|-----------|-------|-------|----------|-------|-------|----------------|---------|---------|
|                    | 1980      | 1985  | 1990  | 1980     | 1985  | 1990  | 1980           | 1985    | 1990    |
| Methodist          | 100       | 107   | 90    | 553      | 423   | 435   | 25,963         | 16,025  | 15,932  |
| Independent        | 191       | 220   | 230   | 824      | 875   | 920   | 45,623         | 60,372  | 67,177  |
| Baptist            | 311       | 264   | 275   | 833      | 787   | 761   | 52,067         | 46,781  | 41,088  |
| Pentecostal        | 124       | 126   | 164   | 166      | 172   | 154   | 11,158         | 8,316   | 10,125  |
| Others             | 70        | 75    | 81    | 92       | 89    | 86    | 6,500          | 5,806   | 5,131   |
| Total Free Church  | 796       | 792   | 840   | 2,468    | 2,346 | 2,356 | 141,311        | 137,300 | 139,453 |
| Roman Catholic (a) | 262       | 300   | 306   | 205      | 211   | 215   | 89,958         | 58,415  | 60,596  |
| Anglican           | 800       | 749   | 701   | 1,675    | 1,521 | 1,178 | 131,518        | 116,911 | 108,431 |
| Presbyterian       | 320       | 235   | 216   | 1,335    | 1,255 | 1,186 | 91,508         | 78,444  | 70,738  |
| Orthodox           | 4         | 4     | 5     | 4        | 6     | 6     | 5,060          | 8,908   | 10,157  |
| Total              | 2,182     | 2,080 | 2,068 | 5,687    | 5,339 | 4,941 | 459,355        | 399,978 | 389,375 |

Source: UK Christian Handbook 1992/93 Edition, edited by Brierley, P. and Longley, D.

(a) The number of members is based mostly on Mass attendance.

**13.17 Religion: marriages by manner of solemnisation**

|      | All marriages | With religious ceremonies |                |           |                       |                   |
|------|---------------|---------------------------|----------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------------------|
|      |               | Church in Wales           | Roman Catholic | Methodist | Calvanistic Methodist | Congregationalist |
| 1975 | 20,659        | 7,162                     | 1,255          | 683       | 626                   | 658               |
| 1976 | 19,522        | 6,504                     | 1,163          | 698       | 576                   | 574               |
| 1977 | 19,701        | 6,323                     | 1,183          | 734       | 559                   | 561               |
| 1978 | 20,628        | 6,670                     | 1,166          | 733       | 571                   | 621               |
| 1979 | 20,250        | 6,529                     | 1,170          | 730       | 501                   | 553               |
| 1980 | 21,071        | 6,904                     | 1,198          | 804       | 534                   | 572               |
| 1981 | 19,760        | 6,616                     | 985            | 881       | 428                   | 607               |
| 1982 | 19,029        | 6,467                     | 829            | 825       | 440                   | 515               |
| 1983 | 19,891        | 6,506                     | 1,071          | 800       | 442                   | 586               |
| 1984 | 19,174        | 6,258                     | 1,062          | 811       | 464                   | 518               |
| 1985 | 19,148        | 6,257                     | 1,072          | 820       | 435                   | 527               |
| 1986 | 19,513        | 6,328                     | 1,018          | 860       | 483                   | 572               |
| 1987 | 19,528        | 6,335                     | 1,040          | 916       | 470                   | 549               |
| 1988 | 19,309        | 6,239                     | 988            | 836       | 478                   | 565               |
| 1989 | 19,453        | 6,344                     | 993            | 896       | 464                   | 519               |
| 1990 | 18,438        | 5,959                     | 951            | 968       | 396                   | 514               |
| 1991 | 16,638        | 5,394                     | 731            | 915       | 380                   | 435               |
| 1992 | 16,602        | 5,055                     | 761            | 852       | 391                   | 432               |
| 1993 | 15,871        | 4,846                     | 686            | 915       | 388                   | 402               |
| 1994 | 15,538        | 4,560                     | 649            | 879       | 414                   | 390               |

- (a) United Reform Church was formed in 1972 when the Presbyterian Church of England and the greater part of the Congregational Church in England and Wales were united.

**13.17 (continued) Religion: marriages by manner of solemnisation**

| With religious ceremonies |                          |                        |        |              |        |      |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------|--------------|--------|------|
| Baptist                   | United Reform Church (a) | Other Christian bodies | Jewish | Other bodies | All    |      |
| 1,051                     | 300                      | 390                    | 11     | 1            | 12,137 | 1975 |
| 939                       | 285                      | 331                    | 10     | 6            | 11,086 | 1976 |
| 1,001                     | 293                      | 369                    | 7      | 2            | 11,032 | 1977 |
| 1,016                     | 311                      | 400                    | 5      | 3            | 11,496 | 1978 |
| 1,004                     | 319                      | 396                    | 11     | 8            | 11,221 | 1979 |
| 1,056                     | 320                      | 427                    | 9      | 6            | 11,830 | 1980 |
| 964                       | 372                      | 410                    | 5      | 9            | 11,277 | 1981 |
| 955                       | 328                      | 403                    | 4      | 6            | 10,772 | 1982 |
| 1,009                     | 398                      | 460                    | 7      | 8            | 11,287 | 1983 |
| 972                       | 398                      | 420                    | 4      | 12           | 10,919 | 1984 |
| 1,028                     | 409                      | 467                    | 5      | 14           | 11,034 | 1985 |
| 1,055                     | 425                      | 496                    | 1      | 14           | 11,252 | 1986 |
| 1,069                     | 406                      | 522                    | 1      | 18           | 11,326 | 1987 |
| 1,048                     | 400                      | 490                    | -      | 16           | 11,060 | 1988 |
| 1,030                     | 415                      | 491                    | 2      | 23           | 11,177 | 1989 |
| 940                       | 403                      | 495                    | 4      | 11           | 10,641 | 1990 |
| 894                       | 339                      | 432                    | -      | 14           | 9,534  | 1991 |
| 886                       | 355                      | 421                    | 3      | 23           | 9,179  | 1992 |
| 840                       | 289                      | 429                    | 1      | 14           | 8,810  | 1993 |
| 851                       | 300                      | 388                    | 3      | 22           | 8,456  | 1994 |

Source: Office for National Statistics, Marriage and Divorce Statistics. Review of the Registrar General on Marriages and Divorces in England and Wales

**13.18 Politics: British Parliamentary elections**

|          |         | Electors         | Average<br>electors<br>per seat | Votes<br>cast<br>(thous-<br>ands) | Votes cast<br>(percentage of<br>electorate) | Members of Parliament elected |               |        |         |                |       |
|----------|---------|------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|--------|---------|----------------|-------|
|          |         | (thous-<br>ands) | (thous-<br>ands)                | (a)                               |                                             | Total                         | Conservatives | Labour | Liberal | Plaid<br>Cymru | Other |
| 1970 (b) | 25 June | 1,961            | 55                              | 1,517                             | 77.4                                        | 36                            | 7             | 27     | 1       | -              | 1     |
| 1974     | 28 Feb  | 1,999            | 56                              | 1,594                             | 79.7                                        | 36                            | 8             | 24     | 2       | 2              | -     |
| 1974     | 10 Oct  | 2,051            | 58                              | 1,538                             | 73.9                                        | 36                            | 8             | 23     | 2       | 3              | -     |
| 1979     | 3 May   | 2,061            | 57                              | 1,637                             | 79.4                                        | 36                            | 11            | 22     | 1       | 2              | -     |
| 1983     | 9 June  | 2,114            | 56                              | 1,609                             | 76.1                                        | 38                            | 14            | 20     | 2       | 2              | -     |
| 1987     | 11 June | 2,151            | 57                              | 1,698                             | 78.9                                        | 38                            | 8             | 24     | 3       | 3              | -     |
| 1992     | 9 April | 2,195            | 58                              | 1,748                             | 79.7                                        | 38                            | 6             | 27     | 1       | 4              | -     |
| 1997     | 1 May   | 2,201            | 55                              | 1,619                             | 73.5                                        | 40                            | -             | 34     | 2       | 4              | -     |

Sources: Welsh Office and Digest of Welsh Statistics

(a) Relates only to voting for contested seats.

(b) The Representation of the People Act, 1969 lowered the minimum voting age from 21 to 18 with effect from 16 February 1970.

**13.19 Politics: European Parliament elections**

|      |         | Electors<br>(thousands) | Average<br>electors<br>per seat<br>(thousands) | Votes<br>cast<br>(thousands) | Votes cast<br>percentage<br>of electorate | Number<br>elected | Conservative | Labour |
|------|---------|-------------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------|
| 1979 | 7 June  | 2,084                   | 521                                            | 710                          | 34.1                                      | 4                 | 1            | 3      |
| 1984 | 14 June | 2,149                   | 537                                            | 844                          | 39.3                                      | 4                 | 1            | 3      |
| 1989 | 16 June | 2,195                   | 459                                            | 893                          | 40.7                                      | 4                 | -            | 4      |
| 1994 | 9 June  | 2,204                   | 441                                            | 950                          | 43.1                                      | 5                 | -            | 5      |

Sources: Welsh Office and Digest of Welsh Statistics