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FARMING



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Source 1. Men, women and children at harvest-time, Steyning

Source 2. Men and women at harvest-time, Worthing



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Source 3. Farmer at harvest time, West Sussex

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Source 4. Shepherd with sheep near Amberley, c1900



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Source 5. Sheep-washing in the River Arun at Burpham, c1910



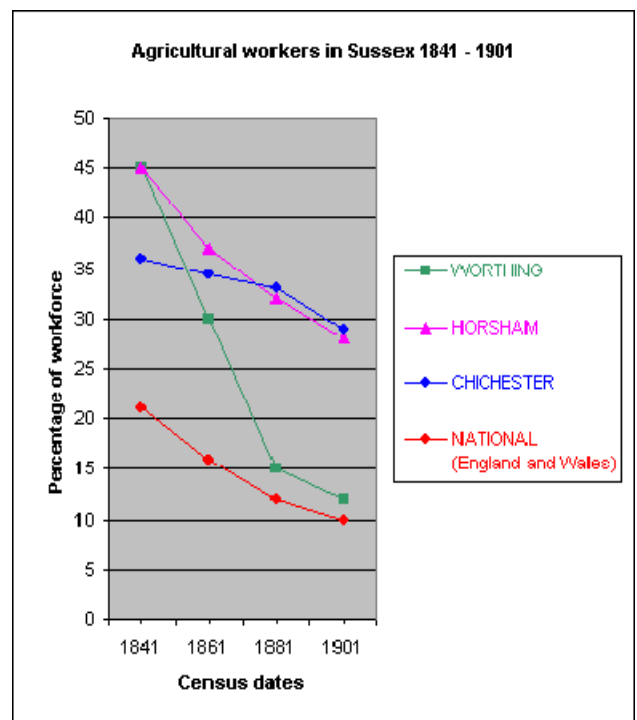
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Source 6. sheep-washing in the River Arun at Burpham, c1910



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Source 7. Graph showing the number of people working in farming in Sussex, 1841-1901

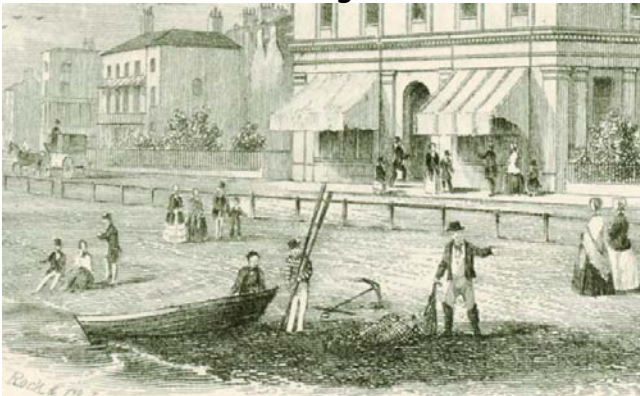


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Source 1. Fishermen and holidaymakers on the beach, Worthing, 1849



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Source 2. Fishermen and holidaymakers on the beach, Worthing, 1849



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Source 3. Fishermen selling their catch on the beach, Worthing c1900



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Source 4. Lobster fishermen off Shoreham, c1860



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Source 6a. Extract from a newspaper article about fishing in 1897

THE FISHING INDUSTRY.

WORTHING'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE MARKET.

Statistical tables and memoranda relating to the sea fisheries of the United Kingdom in the year 1897 have just been laid before Parliament by the Board of Trade. Some idea of the extent of the operations on the South Coast may be gathered from the following record of the quantities of fish dispatched inland during the year by the London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway :

	Tons.		Tons.
Bognor	5	Hayling Island.....	24
Bosham	32	Newhaven.....	117
Brighton.....	272	Pevensy	24
Eastbourne.....	55	Rye.....	127
Emsworth	792	Shoreham	10
Hastings.....	953	Worthing	28

Worthing, it will be seen, thus comes eighth on the list. The total quantity of fish landed on the

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Source 6b. Graph using figures from the newspaper article.



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Source 5

Pigot's Directory of Sussex 1839

Worthing is a sea-port and market town...56 miles south from London, 20 east from Chichester, and 10 west from Brighton ...within a mile of the South Down hills.

...The mackerel fishery in the spring, and that for herrings in autumn, are pursued from this port with spirit, and great quantities of the former fish are despatched to the London market.

Phillipps's Handbook and Directory of Worthing, 1850

In the fishing season, the beach is a frequently a very lively scene. Thousands of mackerel are brought to shore and packed up in baskets for the London market. Sometimes thirty or forty smacks, that have had a good take and are laden with fish, come in at the same time, and then the bustle is extreme. All hands instantly set to work...carrying, counting, washing, and packing mackerel.

French & Watkiss's Handbook and Directory of Worthing, 1857

FISHING BOATS.-The fishery of Worthing has undergone a great change, and the fishermen, who were once a money-getting and thriving class of men, have, through the altered character of the seasons and the diminished quantity of fish taken, been very materially reduced in circumstances. The fishing trade is chiefly confined to mackerel and herrings, of which large quantities are brought to shore in the seasons.

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MARKET GARDENING

Source 1. 1901 census extracts for Ham Road

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20		
100	ROAD, STREET, &c. and No. or NAME of HOUSE	HOUSES Uninhabited	HOUSES Inhabited	HOUSES Inhabited	Name and Surname of each Person	RELATION to Head of Family	SEX	AGE last Birthday	PROFESSION OR OCCUPATION	Employer, Worker, or Own account	If Working at Home	WHERE BORN	(1) Dead and Dumb (2) Blind (3) Lame (4) Infirm (5) Mentally Deficient								
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Source 1b. Typed transcript of 1a.

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Source 2. Map of Worthing showing the Ham Lane area, 1896



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Source 3. View from Ham bridge (now East Worthing) station, 1906



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Source 4. Inside a building in Worthing, c1900



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Source 5. The Newmans on their market garden near Windsor Road, Worthing, c1895



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Source 6. The Newmans shop, 34 Richmond Road, Worthing, c1895



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Source 7a.

Extracts from the Worthing Diamond Jubilee Souvenir book, 1897; and the Sussex Daily News, 1906.

Worthing Souvenir, Diamond Jubilee, 1897

A NEW INDUSTRY - CULTURE OF FRUIT AND FLOWERS

Facility of transmission to the London and other markets has brought ...an industry of which no one seemed to have any thought twenty-five years ago. In the cultivation of grapes, tomatoes, cucumbers, and flowers, a large number of persons are employed, and the glass houses in which the produce is reared and brought to perfection are estimated to extend, if placed end to end, fully fourteen miles.

Tons of fruit are sent daily to Covent Garden and to the markets of Birmingham, Manchester, and even Glasgow and Edinburgh. The fertility of the soil and the salubrity of the climate are proved by the fact that fruit can be ripened three weeks earlier in Worthing than in the neighbourhood of London...The industry is one in which the inhabitants of the borough may justly feel pride, ...as it has done, and is doing, a great deal in furtherance of the prosperity of the town.

Sussex Daily News, February 26 1906

The London, Brighton and South Coast Railway Company caters for two special Sussex industries, the chicken fattening of Heathfield and Uckfield, and the Worthing fruit industry...

In the fruit traffic, rapidity is as great a necessity as economy, so these products are sent by passenger train and are delivered at Covent Garden within a few hours of being picked at Worthing or Lancing...Mushrooms, grapes, strawberries, cucumbers, and cut flowers vie with tomatoes in the traffic...

In 1892 the tonnage on this Worthing traffic amounted to 492 tons during the year; in 1895 it had grown to 920 tons to London and 174 tons to towns beyond London.....

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