

SPIT VERSION 6

Document Upgrade from version 3 0

The major changes in SPIT version 6 from earlier versions is in the way in which the parameters for simulation are estimated. This implies that the structure of the simulation files and their installation is very similar across versions. The following is a list of the old filenames referred to in the manual (Baker and Symons, 1991) and the filenames in Version that correspond to them

Version 3 x	Version 6 0
SPIT CTL	SPITV3 CTL
SPIT EXE	SPITV6 EXE
SPITC EXE	SPITV6C EXE
SPITS EXE	SPITV6S EXE
SPITR EXE	SPITV6R EXE
SPITSR PAR	TO87SR PAR
SPITLR PAR	TO87LR PAR
FES86 BIN	SPIT884 BIN
NATGROSS	NATGR88
PRICES86 SPT	PRICES88 SPT

In addition there are some extra files included in version 6 0. The two files TO88SR PAR and TO87LR PAR correspond to short and long run parameter files estimated up to and including 1988 data. The user can choose these instead of the parameters estimated up to 1987 only.

Finally there is an extra option in version 6 allowing the user to edit and save a new 'tax base' which can be recalled in future simulations as the starting base for reform. Selecting the option 'CREATE NEW BASE' from the main menu takes the user through the tax definition screens and then prompts the user for a filename. The parameters of the tax base will be saved as FILENAME BSE in the current SPIT directory. The user can thus create a set of tax-bases under different names from which the reforms can be run by selecting 'USE PREVIOUSLY SAVED BASE' from the main menu before simulation.

SETTING UP SPIT

- 1) **Create a directory called SPIT by typing:**

c:\md spit

- 2) **Copy the contents of Disc 1 to that directory by typing**

c:\SPIT\copy a:

- 3) **The data set is contained in a file called SPIT884 bm which is “zipped up” to fit onto Disc 2. This must be “unzipped” using the pkunzip.exe also on Disc 2. Type.**

a.\pkunzip * c:\spit

- 4) **Start the program by typing:**

c \spit\SPITV6

1 Introduction

SPIT Simulation Program for Indirect Taxation is a microcomputer based program designed to predict the effects of changes in the system of indirect taxation on government revenue and its sources, and on household expenditure decisions and living standards. It is menu driven and provides a policy tool that may give a reasonably accurate indication of the consequences of tax changes for government revenue, household living standards and its distribution across households.

Embedded within the simulation routine are parameter estimates attained from a model of consumers expenditure estimated from a sample of over 100,000 households drawn from the U.K. Family Expenditure Survey (1974-88). These estimates reveal that household expenditure patterns for specific commodity groups are dependent upon the relative price of other goods in addition to their own price. Also the response of households to price changes is found to differ significantly across household types. The significance and magnitude of both own and cross price effects indicate that the response of households, and hence government revenues, to price changes that result from changes to the indirect tax system will differ from those expected in the absence of any behavioural response. Thus, in evaluating indirect tax policy, it is important to allow both for the effects of tax changes on the demand for the goods directly concerned (say, vatted goods) as well as the cross price effect on other goods (non-variables)

The simulation routine uses data from the 1988 FES sample survey, excluding Northern Ireland. The user can define a reform to the indirect tax system and simulate the effects of the resulting changes in tax rates on government revenue. The user can also investigate the effect on household expenditure and living standards in great detail. Thus, in addition to a straightforward positive analysis the program is geared to providing the user with the ability to undertake an analysis of the normative effects of indirect tax changes. The software is motivated by the inadequacy of simple intuition and simple models for detailed policy analysis of this type.

The model of consumer demand used within SPIT incorporates models for different types of households according to smokers and non-smokers, car owners and non-car owners. The demand system encompasses 14 commodity groups (food, beer, wine, spirits, household fuel, clothing, motoring, travel fares, leisure services, leisure goods, petrol, tobacco, and personal goods and services, household services). Two other components of consumer

expenditure, housing and household goods (durables), are treated as rationed commodities, rationed by quantity. Thus if the price of one good with durables increases expenditure on that good will increase by the same percentage.

The program predicts pre-reform budget shares using the estimated equations with appropriately deflated prices and incomes. The post-reform prices are generated by the new implicit tax rates. Expenditure on the rationed goods is evaluated under the new prices, the remaining income being distributed between the 14 groups according to the demand system predictions. These predictions are used to compute government revenue on the assumption that taxes are entirely incident on consumer prices. A change in the components of rationed goods are fully reflected in revenues.

A more detailed discussion of the economic model and estimation that is embedded within SPIT is given in Baker et al (1990).

2 Hardware

The program is written in Microsoft Fortran (v4.1) for IBM and compatible microcomputers to allow it to be used as widely as possible. It can be used on IBM (PC/XT, PC/AT and PSR) and compatible microcomputers running under PC or MS DOS 2.0 or above. It requires a hard disk and the appropriate maths coprocessor. SPIT reads and writes large data files so a fast hard disk makes a considerable difference to performance. An IBM 'AT' compatible is desirable and advised because of the computationally intensive nature of the routine. An XT compatible is relatively slow to use. SPIT will work with any graphics display card and any monitor. A parallel printer is also useful.

While SPIT is a 'well-behaved' DOS program cannot guarantee that it will work with all possible software and hardware configurations. In particular, networks and memory resident software may cause problems, not least because you may run out of memory. Networked users should make their network managers aware that SPIT creates files that should not be write protected and memory constraints may imply that SPIT be run on a machine that has little of the network software installed as possible. Contact the authors with problems

3 Installing SPIT

Create a directory called SPIT by typing MD SPIT. Change to that directory by typing CD SPIT and copy the contents of all the program distribution disks into that directory by typing COPY A:*.*. The dataset is contained in a file called SPITV3.BIN which is archived

on a high density (1.4mb) disk. This must be unarchived using the program provided on the program disk. The command is. PXICARC A • C:\SPIT when C:\SPIT is the default directory. The following files should be present in the directory

SPITV3 CTL	SIM.BAT
SPITV3 EXE	PRICES88.SPT
SPITV3C.EXE	TO87LR.PAR
SPITV3S.EXE	TO87SR.PAR
SPITV3R.EXE	TO88LR.PAR
SPITV3.BIN	TO88SR.PAR
NATGR88.	

SPIT consists of a small parent program. SPITV3.EXE, linking the 3 main programs:

- SPITV3C.** which allows the user to specify the two tax systems to be compared and define the structure of the simulation.
- SPITV3S:** which conducts the simulation, i.e. investigates the behaviour of the 1988 FES sample to the reform specified above
- SPITV3R.** which outlines the effects of the reform on government revenue yielded by the sample and thenational grossed-up value. and allows the user to analyse the results.

The parameters for the econometric model of consumer expenditure are contained in the files TO87LR.PAR, TO87SR.PAR, TO88LR.PAR, TO88SR.PAR. Subdirectories can be created and used to store the results of simulations, e.g. type MD\SPIT\RESULTS to create a directory called RESULTS. This directory can be specified as part of a filename in order to send the results of a simulation to this directory

4 Running SPIT

To start a SPIT session type SPIT. The credits will appear followed by the main menu. The following options are available:

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MAIN MENU
A. Define/Conduct a reform
B. Analyse the results of a reform
X. Exit to DOS

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The first option allows the user to generate the pre- and post-reform indirect tax systems of interest. It uses SPITV3C to create a file with all the necessary tax rates and other information. The simulation module, SPITV3S, of the package can be run either from within SPIT under this option or from the DOS command line. The user will be asked for their

preference. The lacer choice is sometimes useful when performing several simulations in sequence since a batch file can be used. While **the simulation** module is running the screen will indicate **progress** by displaying the household count. When the simulation is complete and has been run from within the package the Main Menu will appear once **the** user presses **<return>**.

A 'comprehensive' simulation over the whole sample takes approximately **15, 25, 45** or 80 minutes to complete on a 486 machine, 386 machine, 'AT' compatible. and 'XT' compatible respectively. The corresponding figures for a 'quick' simulation are **10, 20.35** and 50 minutes. The user does not have to **analyse** the results immediately since they are stored in **the** file named by the user. If a comprehensive simulation is performed beware that the **file** created will be approximately **0.2Kb** per household so that a simulation over the full sample **will be** approximately **1.36Mb**. Saving additional variables from the sample data set **will** make files bigger by around 42Kb **extra** per **variable**. The **program** does not monitor available disk space and will 'crash' if **there** is not enough.

The second option. 'B'. runs **SPITV3R** to **allow** the **user** to examine the tax revenue and household results of a previously conducted simulation. It produces a default set of output which contains tax revenue and a table of summary statistics on household expenditure and income. If individual household information was saved during the simulation the user is able to interrogate this to generate the **distributional** effects of the tax reform. These options are described in detail below.

4.1 The Reform Menu

Choosing option A in the Main Menu **will** be followed by a choice for the base tax system

<p>Which system do you wish to reform ?</p> <p>A. 1988/89</p> <p>B. 1990/91</p> <p>C. Create New Base</p> <p>D. Use Previously Created Base</p> <p>X. Exit to Main Menu</p>
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The user is able to impose tax changes on the observed data period. 1988. to a more recent tax system, 1990/1, or to create their own tax/price/income system. For the first two options the data is reflated to August of the appropriate year and the tax rates for the financial year are applied to this data. The program will load the appropriate pre-reform tax parameters

from the file SPIT3 CTL. The third option enables the user to save a tax system that can be used as a base for a variety of tax reforms with the subsequent choice of option D. The taxes, prices and earnings levels appropriate to 1990 are loaded as default. Under all options the user can follow a series of menus to change the parameters of the tax system.

The program covers the three main areas of indirect tax (VAT rates, VAT commodity base and representative excise duties), to vary the level of child benefit and allows the user to select the model for consumer expenditure

These menus are accessed via the Reform Menu:

<u>REFORM MENU</u>
A. Change VAT Rates
B. Change VAT Base
C. Change Excise Duties
D. Change Child Benefit
E. Model, Sample and Variable Selection
F. Earnings Growth
G. Price Changes for Commodity Groups
X. Run Simulation/Exit to Main Menu

VAT rates

Two basic VAT rates can be set, a higher rate, H, in addition to the standard rate, L. Exempt taxation, E, is allowed to attract a percentage of the standard VAT rate. This is set at zero by default.

VAT base

This allows the user to set the VAT rate for specific goods within the commodity groups. This is done by selection of group and then the required good at the subsequent menu. The program takes pre-reform as default, indicating the current value at the appropriate menu. The user can change the tax treatment of any/all goods by entering L for standard, H for high, Z for zero or E for exempt. Appendix A shows the breakdown of each commodity group, the FES definition and their tax treatment in 1988.

Excise Duties

This option brings up the following list of goods which carry excise duty:

<u>Excise Duties</u>
A. Beer (pint of bitter)
B. Wine (bottle of table)
C. Spirits (whisky bottle)
D. Cigarettes (pkt of 20)
E. Pipe Tobacco (100 grams)
F. Hand Rolling (2 grams)
E. Petrol (gallon of star)
F. Tax on New Cars
G. Vehicle Licence (£ pa)
X. Exit to Reform Menu

The program indicates the current value of these duties. The user can change any all by entering the corresponding letter and responding to the prompt for a new duty with an entry in the appropriate units. For example, beer requires a specific duty to be entered in pence per pint. Cigarettes carry a specific and an ad valorem tax both of which can be altered within the program, the specific duty in pence per 20 cigarettes and the ad valorem component as a proportion. Specific duties are translated to proportional taxes and thus to price changes that the consumer experiences. It is assumed that the change in tax is entirely incident on the consumer. The proportional tax rates for each good are applied to the consumer expenditure group that contains that good. For example, the tax applied to expenditure on beer, shandy, cider etc. is derived from the duty for a pint of beer.

The program also allows for fixed expenditure on private transport through the vehicle excise duty (VED). This is treated as a rationed expenditure within the simulation program. An increase in VED reduces the amount of income remaining for all other goods if that household owns a vehicle. VED is £ per year.

Child Benefit

Changes to total expenditure for households with children can be made by altering the level of child benefit. It is assumed that the change in child benefit is fully reflected by a change in total expenditure of the household. They are measured in £ per child per week. The benefit for the first child may be set independently to that for subsequent children.

Model, sample and variable selection

This option allows the user to detail the overall structure of the simulation. The following options are available:

<u>Specification of Simulation Menu</u>
A. Model Selection
B. Sample Size
C. Household Variables to Save
D. Real Income/Money Income Constant
E. Quick/Comprehensive Run
X. Exit to Reform Menu

Under option A there is a choice from four econometric models of consumer demand. There are two types of models, long or short run models, the short run containing durable ownership equations while the long-run model does not condition on these. These are estimated using FES data for the period 1974-87, and for extended period which includes 1988 Baker, McKay and Symons (1990) describe the model in detail. The user is able to implement an alternative demand system that has been estimated within the AIDS framework by amending the parameter files. Details of the parameter files are given in Appendix C. The program toggles between the 4 options, the default is the short-run model estimated in 1987 Tables 1 and 2 in Appendix B give a broad idea of the estimated elasticities. The figures are calculated using the parameter estimates from the 'short-run expenditure system' for the estimation period 1974-1987 in Table 1 and 1974-1988 Table 2. The elasticities are calculated for the 1988 sample.

Option B allows the user to choose the number of households included in the simulation. The default value is the full sample of 7149. The households are randomly ordered so that the first 1000 households give a good indication of the full sample results.

Option C allows the user to save additional variables on the household characteristics. Expenditure data, total VAT and Excise payments can be recorded for further analysis. Appendix B gives a list of the variables available. This is a useful option since it allows the user to break down the effects of the reform by, say, region, household composition, type of tenure, etc. A maximum of 25 variables can be requested. The user will be asked to enter the number of the variable, as given in Appendix B, and a variable name of alphanumeric characters only.

Option D details whether **real** or money income should be held constant for each household. Default takes real income as constant. In this case the program will adjust money income to enable the household to buy the pm-reform quantities **goods**. This allows the user to **assume** that incomes adjust to reflect price changes in **long run**.

Typing D will toggle between **the two**.

Option E provides the ability to choose a 'Quick' or 'Comprehensive' **run**. The **former** will give a summary of the effects of the reform but will **no** individual household **data**. It is taken **as** the default. A simulation using this option will run more quickly since there is **less** reading and writing to the disk and enables a large number of simulations to be run without using large amounts of **storage**. A full simulation run will create files of 1.36 megabytes or more. Typing E will toggle between the two.

Earnings Growth

This option allows the user to specify earnings growth rates **for the base** period (or from 1990 if **creating** a base system). Earnings growth rates **disaggregated** according to their source: employment income¹; pensions; state benefits etc. Growth rates for employment income may be different according to gender and income **quantile**. **SPIT categorises the quantile** for income according to **those** given in the New Earnings Survey, 1990. The growth in earnings is entered as an index **e.g. an** index of 1.2 would imply a **20%** increase in earnings from the base level.

Price Changes for Commodity Groups

This option allows the user to specify change in prices for the commodity groups. **These** may be introduced either by specifying a percentage changes in the general level of prices **and/or** identifying percentage price changes for individual groups. A **price** change to the overall price level will **affect the** price of only those groups **that** do not have a previously given price change. The menu shows the appropriate overall price change as **the** weighted sum of the commodity groups. the weights **taken** from Employment Gazette, 1990.

¹ Employment income is **household**, not **individual**, variable. The **uprating** factor is calculated by applying the weighted sum of **uprating** factors for the householder and his wife (if **present**) which **are also** included in the data. Thus a **third earners** income is **uprated by the** husband and **wives** factors. **This** affects a **13%** of the sample and may result **either** over or under **uprating** of **those** households.

The user can pass through the menus as often as desired and correct previous changes since the reform is only saved when X is chosen at the Reform Menu.

The Reform Menu displays a summary of the current changes implemented to the tax system. It includes all excise duties, simulation parameters and vat rates (changes to the vat base, prices and earnings are not displayed). This information is carried through to the results file in addition to the price effects to help interpretation.

Once all the required changes have been entered and X chosen the user will be asked for a title for the simulation (up to 60 characters) and to provide a filename (up to 16 characters, including a drive and path if desired but not followed by an extension). This filename will be used to identify all files created and associated with this reform. We suggest that users provide names that remind them of the nature of the reforms they relate to for example, D:\RESULTS\VATFOOD for a reform that imposes VAT on food expenditures and stores the results in the RESULTS directory on drive D.

The tax parameters and other necessary information will be saved in a file given this name. In order to perform the simulation the user should type SPITSV3 [filename] at the DOS prompt specifying this filename. The diskette includes a batch file as an illustration. It is straightforward to create batch files using an editor. The file must have the extension BAT. The example SIM.BAT will run the simulation once for the tax parameter files VAT16 and VED50 that would have been previously created by the user. This illustrates how to perform several simulations in sequence without attending the machine.

4.2 Interpreting the Results

On choosing option B in the Main Menu the user will usually be asked to identify which results file which is to be examined and whether the subsequent output to the screen should also be either simultaneously printed or sent to a disk file.

The output begins by listing a summary of the tax parameters used for the reform. This is followed by the government revenue generated by the FES sample - both aggregate figures and a breakdown of revenue into the excise and VAT components of the commodity groups. The pre-reform figures are model predictions using the August price figures for the chosen year. The post-reform figures are predictions of government revenue generated after allowing households to respond to the tax changes. The aggregate set of figures show revenue

including vehicle excise duty and child benefit (as negative revenue) while the figures for Excise and VAT revenue do not. The **units** are per week and the **entries** are the revenue components summed over **all the** households used in simulation.

Next, the corresponding national figures are presented. These are calculated from the FES sample, adjusted for the non-representative nature of FES **appropriate** grossing up factors. The units are Em per annum **the** UK. The grossing-up levels are **read** from the **file NATGR88**. They are calculated from the proportion of national expenditure **that** is accounted for by reported FES expenditure in 1985 and can be changed using a **standard** text editor to amend the file. This is discussed in detail in Baker et al. (1990).

This is followed, if desired, by a table of summary statistics showing expenditures for the 16 commodity groups, VAT and Excise revenue, total expenditure under both tax systems.

If the user examines the results of a comprehensive simulation it is then possible to follow a selection of **general** statistical procedures to interrogate the implications of the tax change on individual households.

The program is menu driven, the options available being:

<p>RESULTS MENU</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Select Sample 2. Crosstabulations/Histograms 3. Ranking and Quantiles 4. summary statistics 5. Data Transformations 6. Inequality Measures 7. Output Data to TeFile 8. Open SpooFile 9. Return to Main Menu
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SELECT SAMPLE allows the user to create a sub-sample by selecting observations by the value of variables. For example, it is possible to create a sub-sample containing, say, only pensioner households in Scotland living in rented accommodation. This facility should be borne in mind when deciding on what variables to save the data set when setting up a simulation. Once a sub-sample is selected a menu similar to the one above will enable the user to analyse this subset alone.

CROSSTABULATIONS provides for both simple histograms and two way crosstabulations. The user is prompted for variable names, the number of ranges into which the data is to be divided, and the range intervals.

RANKING & QUANTILES will prompt for a **variable** by which the data is to be ranked and the number of groups into which the data is to be divided. The user is then prompted for the number of **variables** for analysis and their names. The output gives the means, etc. of these **variables** for each group in ascending order of the sort **variable**. This facility is useful for doing "eyeball" **distributional analysis** where the data is ranked by, say, **net income**.

SUMMARY STATISTICS will prompt for the number of variables and their titles. Note that the program will remember the last set of **variables nominated** by the user and this set can be repeated by simply pressing enter. All variables can be nominated by entering a number greater than 60, the **maximum number available** with the program.

TRANSFORMATIONS allows simple data transformations to be conducted. The general procedure is to choose the **transformation**, nominate the **variable(s)** and a name for the **transformed** variable. There is a limit to the number of variables that can be stored, a **maximum** of 60, and if you create too many new variables you can, if you wish, nominate old ones to be **overwritten**.

INEQUALITY MEASURES produce **Atkinson Inequality Indices** for user specified levels of **inequality aversion** (between 1 and 30) and **Gini coefficients** for user determined variables. The first step is to enter the number of **indices** (ie different levels of **aversion**) and their values. The last step is to enter the number of variables and their names.

OUTPUT TO TEXT FILE is a facility to save **variables** for more **comprehensive analysis in an alternative** package. The user is prompted for a filename and the variables to be written to the out-put file. The file will be a **text file** in free format which is suitable for reading into most **statistical** and spreadsheet packages. Note however that the data is written by **variable** not observation.

OPEN SPOOL FILE is offered to avoid having to exit and specify this option at the beginning. The prompt is for a filename. Any **previous spool file** will be closed.

RETURN TO MAIN MENU returns to the **main** menu.

Throughout this section, whenever the user is asked for a **variable** name they may obtain a list of **currently defined** variables by pressing <enter>. Usually the user can 'change their mind' in the middle of options by pressing <esc> or 0 to **terminate** that option.

3 References

Baker P., McKay S., Symons E.J. (1990) 'The Simulation of Indirect Tax Reforms: The IFS Simulation Program for Indirect Taxation (SPIT)'. IFS Working Paper, WP90/1 1.

6 Appendix A • FES Coding for Commodity Breakdown and Household

Variables:

Commodity Group	Vat FES codes
Food	
Basic food	Z D101-2,D108-34, D140-62
Ice cream, sweets, soft drinks	L D103-6,D182-5, D851-3
Hot takeaways , meals out	L D138,D197,D840-50, D854-7,B260
Alcohol - home and away consumption	
Beer. stout, ale, shandy , cider, perry	L D260,D261,D270,D271, D280,D281
Wine	L D263-5,D273-5,D283-5
Spirits	L D266,D276,D286
Housing	
Gas	
Electricity	Z D226,P249,B170,B221
Other Fuels (coal, coke, oil, other)	Z D225,P250,B175,B222
	Z D240,D242,D258,B017, B027,B321
Clothing	
Adult clothing and footwear	L D301,D305,D311,D315, D330-2,D337-8,D341-2, D349
Children's clothing and footwear	Z D321-2,D325-6,D335-6, D343
Household Services (HS)	
Post work assoc. subs, licences	E D751,D766, D770,D772, D797,D804-5,B180
contents Insurance	E B168
Telephone a/c, domestic help, clothing repair, household cleaning	L D227,D752,D780,D782, D788,D790-1,D799, D806-7,B166
Other Household Services	L D228,D796

Personal Goods and Services (PGS)

Spectacles	E	D611
Medicines, Drugs (NHS)	Z	D621,D625,D773
Jewellery, watches, clocks	L	D649,D650
Cosmetics, personal cleanliness	L	D622,D624,D745,D793, D775,D1622,D1624,D1743
Other PGS - leather, travel goods, decorative fancy goods	L	D642,D645,D646

Leisure Goods (LG)

Electrical Goods - TV, computers, audio, videos	L	D408-10,D420,D422
Toys, photographic, garden plants, hobbies	L	D631-4,D641,D733-4
Books, newspapers, magazines	L	D721-3
Other LG - telephones, music instruments, records, TV repair	L	D414,D601,D603-4,D784

Fares and Other Travel

Public transport	Z	B158,B216-8,D550-4, D558-D559
Taxis, car hire	L	D505,D508,D511, D556,D560

Tobacco

Cigarettes	L	D211,D1211
Pipe Tobacco	L	D212,D1212
Other Tobacco (cigars, hand-rolling)	L	D213,D1213

Motoring

New cars and motor cycles	L	D501,D503,B244
Secondhand cars and motor cycles	Z	D502,B245,B247
Repairs, accessories, servicing	L	D510,D513-4,D545, D548-9
AA and RAC subscriptions	L	D546
Motor Oil	L	D539
Driving Liccncc. Car insurance, VED	L	D512,B188,B187 less B179

Petrol

Petrol, diesel	L	D538,D539,D542
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Leisure Services (LS)

Entertainment - cinemas, theatre, sports matches, dances TV Rental	L	D753,D761,D763-5 B181,B195,B253-4,D229, D768 less B194
Holidays - hotels, holiday expenses	L	D756-7,D759
Education fees	E	B160,B162,B164
Other LS - credit card interest, gifts, maintenance pay-menu ea.	L	B265,D789,D802,D798

Housing Goods (Durables)

Furniture, flooring, textiles, mattresses	L	D401-7
Electrical- minor appliances and equipment, consumables, repair to these items	L	D423,D425-8,D437,D786
Kitchen- cookers, washing machine, fridges, freezers, minor appliances	L	D411-3,D417-9
China glassware, pottery, kitchen utensils	L	D431,D439,D440
Other HG - gardening goods, appliance, pets etc.	L	D434,D438,D623,D648, D731-2,D742,D746,D1623, D1742,D1746

Housing

House- imputed rent and rates	Z	P281
Repairs, decorations. tools and fittings	L	D224,D232-3,D235-8, D785
Insurance on dwelling structure	E	B110

Other Household Variables

Month	FES Codes
Household Type	A055
Standard Region	A069
Housing Tenure	A098
Number of Cars	A121
Number of Adults	A124
Number of Workers	A043-A047
Number of Retired	A048
Number of Adult Females	A050
Number of Children 0-1	A033-A037
Number of of Children 2-4	A020,A030
Number of of Children 5- 18	A021,A031
Age of Head of Household	A022,A032
Sex of Head of Household	P396
Employment Status of Head of HHold	A004
Central Hearing Dummy	A202
Normal Gross Income of Hhold	A150-A154
Normal Disposable Income of Hhold	P344
Current Gross Income of Hhold	P389
Gross Wage of Head of Hhold	P352
Gross Wage of Wife	P301
	P302

7 Appendix B: Data Description

	Variable	Min	Ave	Max
1	Household Number	1000	3886.13	7775.0
2	Total Food Expenditure	000	3821	339.3
3	Basic (most) Food Items	000	24.83	193.1
4	Take-away Food	000	8.951	310.3
5	sweets etc.	000	4.422	72.58
6	Total Fuel Expenditure	-3.827	10.40	153.4
7	Gas	-7.884	4.215	44.54
8	Electricity	-11.08	4.926	69.62
9	Other Fuels	000	1.256	15.00
10	Total Fares and other Travel Costs	000	4.886	112.10
11	Public Fares	000	3.623	111.69
12	Other Travel	000	1.263	16.76
13	Total Clothing Expenditure	000	14.44	41.82
14	Adult Clothing	000	11.95	41.52
15	Children's Clothing	000	2.484	8.842
16	Total Alcohol Expenditure	000	9.228	61.72
17	Beer	000	5.712	15.84
18	Spirit	000	1.480	12.42
19	Wine	000	2.036	4.933
20	Total Motoring Expenditure	-1.31	25.27	90.70
21	Purchase of New Car	000	3.774	80.62
22	Purchase of Secondhand Car	000	7.102	52.97
23	Road Tax	-1.231	1.601	15.96
24	Car Insurance	000	2.313	28.22
25	Repair and Maintenance	000	3.714	40.56
26	Driving Licence	000	0.131	7.500
27	AA, RAC subscriptions etc	000	1.683	39.00
28	Petrol Expenditure	000	6.488	21.85
29	Motor Oil Expenditure	000	0.985	10.98
30	Total Household Goods Expenditure	000	14.99	100.40
31	Furniture	000	5.366	100.20
32	Electrical and Gas Appliances	000	2.166	48.24
33	Car Kitchen Equipment	000	1.193	35.00
34	China	000	1.165	14.55
35	Other Household Goods	000	5.096	51.20
36	Total Leisure Service Expenditure	-3.000	18.21	57.510
37	Entertainment	000	2.079	10.98
38	Education	000	2.757	12.95
39	Holidays	000	7.156	96.45
40	TV Rental	-3.000	1.987	22.42
41	Other Leisure Services	000	4.234	57.50

	Variable	Min	Ave	Max
42	Total Leisure Goods Expenditure	.000	9.686	603.0
43	Other Leisure Goods	.000	1.548	300.0
44	Electrical goods	.000	1.850	565.4
45	Toys	.000	3.226	261.2
46	Books	.000	3.061	59.43
47	Total Personal Goods/Services Exp.	.000	8.155	1272.
48	Spectacles	.000	.493 1	100.0
49	Medical goods	.000	1.301	116.8
50	Jewellery	.000	1.184	1250.
51	Cosmetics	.000	4.067	456.5
52	Other Personal goods and services	.000	1.110	750.0
53	Total Household Services Expenditure	.000	9.815	1914.
54	Postal	.000	1.599	1118.
55	contents Insurance	.000	.9263	47.82
56	Telephone	.000	5.923	743.0
57	Other household services	.000	1.366	1909.
58	Total Housing Expenditure	-16.43	37.23	2147.
59	Housing Costs	-16.43	30.51	297.1
60	Housing repair and maintenance	.000	5.445	2085.
61	Housing Insurance	.000	1.271	88.62
62	Total Tobacco Expenditure	.000	4.435	72.14
63	Cigarettes	.000	4.149	72.14
64	Pipe Tobacco	.000	.1408	17.25
65	Other Tobacco products	.000	.1449	27.00
66	Household Gross Wage	.000	177.5	3067.
67	Household Self-employment Income	.000	29.74	10000.
68	Investment Income	.000	13.39	2375.
69	Private Pension Income	.000	13.85	924.3
70	State Pension Income	.000	16.47	171.8
71	State Benefit Income	.000	14.87	230.2
72	Other Income	.000	3.042	705.1
73	Month	1.000	6.482	12.00
74	Household Type	1.000	1.916	3.000
75	Standard Region	1.000	6.164	11.00
76	Housing Tenure	1.000	4.127	7.000
77	Number of Cars	.000	.9190	7.000
78	Number of Adults	1.000	1.876	7.000
79	Number of Workers	.000	1.169	7.000
80	Number of Retired	.000	.4066	3.000
81	Number of Adult Females	.000	9782	6.000
82	Number of Children 0-1	.000	.0723	2.000
83	Number of Children 2-4	.000	.1099	3.000
84	Number of Children 5-18	.000	.4497	9.000
85	Age of Head of Household	18.000	50.58	96.00
86	Sex of Head of Household	1.000	1.235	2000
87	Employment Status of Head of HHold	1.000	4.190	11.00

	Variable	tin	Ave	Max
88	Central Heating Dummy	000	7647	1 000
a9	Normal Gross Income of Hhold	1920	284 7	10052
90	Normal Disposable Income of Hhold	-38 66	233 8	10047
91	Current Gross Income of Hhold	000	2841	10052
92	Gross Wage of Head of Hhold	000	1201	2154
93	Gross Wage of wife	000	3144	1077
94-109	Post-reform Tax on commodity groups'		-	
110-125	Post-reform Tax on commodity groups		-	-
126	Change in total tax paid by household	-	-	-

2 The order of the goods is:
 beer, wine, spirits, food, fuel, clothing, household services, personal goods and services,
 leisure goods, travel fares, tobacco, motoring, petrol, leisure services, household goods
 (durables) and housing.

8 Appendix C: Amending the Estimated Demand System

The user can employ an alternative model to those embedded within the program. This requires a thorough knowledge of the structure and estimation of consumer demand systems, in particular the AIDS system. To incorporate an alternative model, a parameter file should be edited using any ASCII text editor, e.g. EDLIN. The layout of the parameters should not be altered. They have the following structure: each block of rows corresponds to an equation, e.g. the first block of numbers represents the parameters within the food budget share equation, the second block corresponds to beer consumption etc. For this equation the parameters are ordered as follows.

price coefficients:

$$\gamma_j \log p_j \quad j=1,10$$

coefficients on terms for real expenditure interacting with household characteristics:

$$\beta_i \ln(y/p)$$

where

$$\beta_i = \beta_0 + \beta_{IKID} IKID + \beta_{IWCL} IWCL + \beta_{S1}(S1 - 0.25) + \beta_{S2}(S2 - 0.25) + \beta_{S3}(S3 - 0.25) + \beta_{IPENS} IPENS$$

y/p	total expenditure on the 14 goods deflated by the Stone price index
IKID	dummy for presence of children
IWCL	" white collar worker
S1	" Quarter 1
S2	" Quarter 2
S3	" Quarter 3
IPENS	" pensioner head of household

coefficient for real expenditure squared

$$\lambda_i \left(\ln \left(\frac{Y}{P} \right) \right)^2$$

There are 4 sets, each with 10 blocks of numbers in each parameter file. The first correspond to those consumers that neither smoke or own a car, the second to non-smoking car owners, the third to smoking non-car owners, the last to smoking car-owners. The simulation routine allocates the parameters according to their position in the file so, when editing, care should be taken to maintain the relative positions of the parameters.

The parameters are read in free format but must be kept as real numbers rather than input as integers.

The order of the goods for both equations and price coefficients within each equation is: beer, wine, spirits, food, fuel, clothing, household services, personal goods and services, leisure goods, travel fares, tobacco, motoring, petrol.

Table 4: Real Expenditure Constant Price and Budget Elasticities (Long-run Model, 1974-1988)

Commodity Group	H-Hold type	Price Group														Budget
		Beer	Wine	Spirits	Food	Fuel	Clothes	HIS	PGS	LG	Travel	Tobacco	Motor	Petrol	LS	
Beer	N/N	-0.504	-0.271	-0.017	-0.193	0.029	0.285	-0.074	-0.325	0.096	-0.089	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.063	1.279
	N/Y	-0.961	-0.213	-0.099	0.270	-0.609	-2.134	-0.142	-0.104	-0.016	0.507	0.000	1.460	0.250	0.712	0.793
	Y/N	-1.135	-0.046	0.072	0.009	0.090	-0.402	0.026	0.024	0.236	0.005	0.009	0.000	0.000	0.111	1.486
	Y/Y	-0.950	0.009	0.079	-0.036	-0.260	-0.579	-0.032	-0.437	0.106	0.170	0.145	0.550	0.053	0.182	0.730
	ALL	-0.955	-0.084	0.020	0.048	-0.276	-0.928	-0.056	-0.251	0.094	0.240	0.069	0.670	0.096	0.311	0.924
Wine	N/N	-0.666	-1.332	-0.009	0.030	0.448	-0.241	-0.080	0.358	0.488	-0.103	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.107	1.413
	N/Y	-0.288	-1.001	-0.043	-0.074	0.595	0.614	0.279	-0.478	0.609	-0.217	0.000	-0.681	-0.146	-0.168	1.741
	Y/N	-0.141	-1.244	-0.243	0.007	0.567	-0.157	0.030	-0.509	0.393	-0.013	0.004	0.000	0.000	0.305	1.290
	Y/Y	0.021	-1.026	-0.226	-0.205	0.643	0.331	-0.088	-0.005	-0.054	0.054	-0.120	-0.256	-0.041	-0.029	1.621
	ALL	-0.184	-1.045	-0.123	-0.112	0.603	0.408	0.104	-0.253	0.338	-0.095	-0.045	-0.438	-0.089	-0.069	1.648
Spirits	N/N	-0.027	-0.006	-1.592	0.083	-0.011	-0.294	0.075	0.224	0.189	0.155	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.205	1.076
	N/Y	-0.145	-0.047	-1.084	0.112	0.029	0.421	0.399	-0.105	0.088	-0.220	0.000	-0.250	-0.088	-0.112	1.014
	Y/N	0.150	-0.164	-1.104	0.105	-0.071	-0.351	0.140	0.332	0.143	-0.139	-0.197	0.000	0.000	0.157	1.354
	Y/Y	0.179	-0.222	-0.911	0.677	-0.223	-0.355	0.113	0.734	-0.213	-0.188	-0.578	-0.125	0.074	0.037	1.156
	ALL	0.044	-0.134	-1.056	0.347	-0.095	-0.076	0.214	0.339	-0.023	-0.163	-0.272	-0.141	0.000	0.016	1.121
Food	N/N				-0.650	-0.126	-0.139	-0.072	-0.038	-0.051	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.101	0.466
	N/Y	0.039	-0.008	0.011	-1.037	-0.113	-0.105	0.024	-0.159	-0.035	0.073	0.000	0.250	-0.087	0.145	0.542
	Y/N	0.003	0.001	0.015	-0.544	-0.141	-0.067	-0.013	-0.040	-0.101	-0.013	-0.164	0.000	0.000	0.064	0.624
	Y/Y	-0.009	-0.022	0.073	-0.853	-0.041	0.113	-0.015	-0.136	-0.170	0.029	-0.023	0.095	-0.085	0.044	0.406
	ALL	0.009	0.003	0.033	-0.869	-0.093	-0.028	-0.005	-0.123	-0.092	0.039	-0.029	0.137	-0.066	0.095	0.496
Fuel	N/N	0.016	0.104	-0.004	-0.345	-0.502	-0.009	-0.073	-0.082	-0.007	-0.024	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.114	0.253
	N/Y	-0.350	0.253	0.012	-0.446	0.291	0.355	-0.363	0.558	0.156	-0.360	0.000	-0.390	-0.389	-0.326	0.0715
	Y/N	0.083	0.170	-0.032	-0.435	-0.987	0.023	0.029	0.446	-0.088	0.026	0.043	0.000	0.000	-0.279	0.143
	Y/Y	-0.257	0.275	-0.097	-0.165	-0.111	-0.177	0.077	0.347	0.311	-0.161	-0.203	-0.365	-0.303	-0.171	0.424
	ALL	-0.203	0.226	-0.032	-0.340	-0.142	0.083	-0.117	0.381	0.145	-0.190	-0.058	-0.267	-0.247	-0.239	0.222
Clothing	N/N	0.133	-0.046	-0.088	-0.313	-0.007	-0.428	-0.075	-0.170	0.055	0.025	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.084	1.107
	N/Y	-0.667	0.142	0.090	-0.226	0.193	-0.560	0.003	0.321	0.384	0.066	0.000	-0.351	-0.183	-0.212	1.011
	Y/N	-0.318	-0.041	-0.134	-0.180	0.020	-0.803	-0.078	0.187	-0.009	0.141	0.149	0.000	0.000	0.066	1.451
	Y/Y	-0.318	0.079	-0.086	0.253	-0.098	-1.063	-0.109	0.274	0.206	-0.018	-0.005	-0.038	-0.088	0.013	0.870
	ALL	-0.432	0.084	-0.012	-0.054	0.051	-0.756	-0.053	0.246	0.251	0.039	0.013	-0.170	-0.114	-0.091	1.010
H-Hold Services	N/N	-0.061	-0.027	0.039	-0.283	-0.048	-0.131	-0.541	-0.085	0.003	0.149	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.016	1.666
	N/Y	-0.071	0.103	0.137	0.084	-0.317	0.004	-0.531	-0.188	0.219	0.060	0.000	-0.371	-0.008	-0.122	1.367
	Y/N	0.049	0.018	0.126	-0.083	0.059	-0.184	-0.861	-0.146	0.008	0.058	0.044	0.000	0.000	-0.088	1.664
	Y/Y	-0.030	-0.035	0.046	-0.058	0.073	-0.185	-0.766	-0.150	0.117	0.130	-0.002	-0.109	-0.060	0.028	1.567
	ALL	-0.047	0.035	0.094	-0.016	-0.124	-0.091	-0.639	-0.161	0.145	0.094	0.003	-0.213	-0.025	-0.055	1.490

Table 2: Real Expenditure Constant Price and Budget Elasticities (Short-run Model; 1974-1988)

Commodity Group	H-Hold type	Commodity Group														Budget
		Beer	Wine	Spirits	Food	Fuel	Clothes	HS	PGS	LG	Travel	Tobacco	Motor	Petrol	LS	
Beer	N/N	-0.554	-0.257	-0.017	-0.168	0.045	0.275	-0.064	-0.350	0.078	-0.056	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.068	0.379
	N/Y	-0.961	-0.213	-0.099	0.270	-0.610	-2.134	-0.142	-0.104	-0.016	0.587	0.000	1.460	0.250	0.712	0.793
	Y/N	-1.141	-0.046	0.075	0.046	0.104	-0.423	0.041	0.022	0.245	-0.007	0.007	0.000	0.000	0.077	1.603
	Y/Y	-0.958	0.024	0.081	-0.001	-0.212	-0.577	-0.043	-0.403	0.042	0.161	0.118	0.551	0.061	0.154	1.103
	ALL	-0.963	-0.076	0.022	0.073	-0.250	-0.931	-0.057	-0.237	0.065	0.236	0.056	0.671	0.099	0.293	1.125
Wine	N/N	-0.633	-1.314	-0.025	0.060	0.432	-0.207	-0.072	0.327	0.445	-0.090	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.076	1.347
	N/Y	-0.288	-1.001	-0.043	-0.074	0.595	0.614	0.279	-0.478	0.609	-0.217	0.000	-0.681	-0.146	-0.168	1.742
	Y/N	-0.139	-1.256	-0.270	0.031	0.599	-0.124	0.043	-0.567	0.414	-0.042	0.021	0.000	0.000	0.291	1.231
	Y/Y	0.056	-1.035	-0.247	-0.181	0.608	0.379	-0.085	0.016	-0.081	0.071	-0.115	-0.302	-0.034	-0.052	1.570
	ALL	-0.169	-1.048	-0.133	-0.100	0.591	0.431	0.106	-0.251	0.327	-0.090	-0.042	-0.455	-0.086	-0.081	1.622
Spirits	N/N	-0.026	-0.016	-1.603	0.100	-0.002	-0.290	0.089	0.191	0.180	0.172	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.204	1.098
	N/Y	-0.145	-0.047	-1.084	0.112	0.029	0.421	0.399	-0.105	0.088	-0.220	0.000	-0.250	-0.088	-0.112	1.014
	Y/N	0.156	-0.183	-1.110	0.109	-0.046	-0.346	0.144	0.331	0.140	-0.153	-0.199	0.000	0.000	0.157	1.355
	Y/Y	0.185	-0.242	-0.938	0.684	-0.185	-0.321	0.126	0.725	-0.213	-0.219	-0.593	-0.112	0.085	0.017	1.289
	ALL	0.047	-0.146	-1.070	0.352	-0.074	-0.061	0.221	0.332	-0.024	-0.177	-0.279	-0.135	0.005	0.008	1.186
Food	N/N	-0.035	0.005	0.013	-0.642	-0.135	-0.135	-0.082	-0.037	-0.055	0.014	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.087	0.499
	N/Y	0.039	-0.008	0.011	-1.037	-0.113	-0.105	0.024	-0.159	-0.035	0.073	0.000	0.250	-0.087	0.145	0.542
	Y/N	0.014	0.003	0.016	-0.543	-0.151	-0.066	-0.021	-0.040	-0.103	-0.007	-0.158	0.000	0.000	0.056	0.622
	Y/Y	0.000	-0.019	0.074	-0.820	-0.047	0.140	-0.027	-0.140	-0.187	0.045	-0.017	0.053	-0.086	0.031	0.506
	ALL	0.014	-0.009	0.034	-0.856	-0.097	-0.018	-0.011	-0.124	-0.099	0.047	-0.026	0.123	-0.066	0.088	0.535
Fuel	N/N	0.025	0.100	-0.001	-0.371	-0.479	-0.022	-0.056	-0.083	0.015	-0.035	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.094	0.190
	N/Y	-0.350	0.253	0.012	-0.446	0.291	0.355	-0.363	0.558	0.156	-0.360	0.000	-0.390	-0.389	-0.326	0.076
	Y/N	0.095	0.180	-0.021	-0.466	-1.023	0.006	0.023	0.465	-0.098	0.034	0.046	0.000	0.000	-0.243	0.147
	Y/Y	-0.210	0.260	-0.080	-0.190	-0.245	-0.166	0.083	0.323	0.385	-0.097	-0.173	-0.445	-0.299	-0.146	0.186
	ALL	-0.185	0.222	-0.024	-0.357	-0.187	0.082	-0.119	0.376	0.170	-0.170	-0.048	-0.293	-0.246	-0.223	0.138
Clothing	N/N	0.129	-0.039	-0.087	-0.302	-0.018	-0.441	-0.096	-0.169	0.068	0.036	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.079	1.110
	N/Y	-0.667	0.142	0.090	-0.226	0.193	-0.560	0.003	0.321	0.384	0.066	0.000	-0.351	-0.183	-0.212	1.011
	Y/N	-0.335	-0.032	-0.132	-0.176	0.005	-0.814	-0.064	0.203	-0.010	0.148	0.134	0.000	0.000	0.072	1.393
	Y/Y	-0.317	0.090	-0.078	0.313	-0.092	-1.053	-0.115	0.318	0.165	0.010	-0.036	-0.105	-0.101	0.001	1.003
	ALL	-0.434	0.090	-0.009	-0.031	0.051	-0.754	-0.056	0.264	0.237	0.050	0.000	-0.195	-0.118	-0.095	1.054
H-Hold Services	N/N	-0.053	-0.024	0.047	-0.322	-0.080	-0.168	-0.508	-0.035	0.034	0.107	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.001	1.501
	N/Y	-0.071	0.103	0.137	0.084	-0.317	0.004	-0.531	-0.188	0.219	0.060	0.000	-0.371	-0.008	-0.122	1.367
	Y/N	0.075	0.026	0.129	-0.132	0.048	-0.151	-0.883	-0.139	0.029	0.037	0.018	0.000	0.000	-0.059	1.422
	Y/Y	-0.040	-0.034	0.052	-0.101	0.078	-0.195	-0.741	-0.133	0.198	0.102	-0.049	-0.097	-0.068	0.028	1.471
	ALL	-0.048	0.036	0.097	-0.039	-0.126	-0.096	-0.628	-0.149	0.179	0.078	-0.016	-0.209	-0.028	-0.052	1.422

Table 2 (cont.)

Commodity Group	II-Hold type	Price Group														Budget
		Beer	Wine	Spirits	Food	Fuel	Clothes	HS	PGS	LG	Travel	Tobacco	Motor	Petrol	LS	
PGS	N/N	-0 357	0 136	0 126	-0 182	-0 148	-0 371	-0 044	-0 904	0 640	0 072	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 031	1 171
	N/Y	-0 064	-0 218	-0 044	-0 0671	0 599	0 633	-0 231	-1 016	0 543	-0 316	-0 165	0 000	0 000	-0 110	0 977
	Y/N	0 041	-0 355	0 307	-0 261	0 971	0 492	-0 143	-1 735	0 750	-0 923	-0 259	-0 194	0 021	1 081	
	Y/Y	-0 417	0 007	0 331	-0 588	0 338	0 599	-0 148	-1 064	0 662	-0 036	-0 005	-0 062	-0 155	-0 225	1 051
	ALL	-0 216	-0 111	0 142	-0 559	0 461	0 513	-0 174	-1 084	0 614	-0 225	-0 016	-0 062	-0 155	-0 129	1 032
Leisure Goods	N/N	0 070	0 164	0 105	-0 237	0 023	0 133	0 037	0 567	-1 167	-0 452	0 000	0 000	0 000	-0 242	1 214
	N/Y	-0 008	0 234	0 031	-0 125	0 141	0 637	0 226	0 457	-0 702	-0 439	0 000	-0 830	-0 214	-0 407	0 984
	Y/N	0 349	0 193	0 096	-0 495	-0 151	-0 017	0 022	0 557	-1 072	-0 228	-0 144	0 000	0 000	-0 110	1 171
	Y/Y	0 039	-0 032	-0 087	-0 703	0 359	0 211	0 196	0 520	-0 657	-0 389	-0 315	-0 356	-0 104	-0 126	1 056
	ALL	0 070	0 129	-0 001	-0 371	0 190	0 420	0 186	0 520	-0 657	-0 389	-0 125	-0 534	-0 142	-0 271	1 043
Travel	N/N	-0 045	-0 029	0 088	0 054	-0 049	0 061	0 105	0 057	-0 399	-0 847	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 004	1 318
	N/Y	0 430	-0 118	-0 110	0 370	-0 460	0 154	0 087	-0 376	-0 620	0 000	-0 037	0 262	0 027	1 230	
	Y/N	-0 009	-0 020	-0 107	-0 033	0 054	0 271	0 029	-0 074	-0 231	-0 393	0 044	0 000	0 000	0 092	1 404
	Y/Y	0 252	0 048	-0 150	0 281	-0 153	0 028	0 171	-0 055	-0 558	-0 948	-0 204	0 211	0 163	-0 093	1 254
	ALL	0 228	-0 040	-0 088	0 227	-0 220	0 123	0 104	-0 267	-0 501	-0 707	-0 050	0 045	0 147	0 000	1 280
Tobacco	N/N	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000
	N/Y	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000
	Y/N	0 007	0 006	-0 092	-0 507	0 048	0 161	0 009	-0 082	-0 096	0 029	-0 445	0 000	0 000	-0 039	0 477
	Y/Y	0 132	-0 055	-0 291	-0 079	-0 195	-0 073	-0 058	-0 005	-0 380	-0 146	-0 077	0 110	0 052	0 067	0 246
	ALL	0 090	-0 034	-0 224	-0 223	-0 113	0 006	-0 036	-0 031	-0 285	-0 087	-0 201	0 073	0 034	0 031	0 124
Motoring	N/N	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000
	N/Y	0 309	-0 107	-0 036	0 363	-0 144	-0 237	-0 156	0 027	-0 338	-0 011	0 000	0 000	0 043	0 081	1 145
	Y/N	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000
	Y/Y	0 221	-0 052	-0 020	0 087	-0 180	-0 077	-0 042	-0 100	-0 155	0 054	0 040	0 040	0 030	0 065	1 357
	ALL	0 267	-0 082	-0 029	0 242	-0 157	-0 166	-0 106	-0 027	-0 256	0 017	0 017	0 017	-0 814 0 037	0 073	1 217
Petrol	N/N	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000
	N/Y	0 150	-0 065	-0 036	-0 358	-0 407	-0 351	-0 009	-0 180	-0 248	0 214	0 000	0 123	0 038	0 129	0 774
	Y/N	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000	0 000
	Y/Y	0 061	-0 015	0 037	-0 350	-0 303	-0 184	-0 073	-0 187	-0 112	0 104	0 046	0 074	-0 181	0 080	0 667
	ALL	0 106	-0 041	-0 002	-0 346	-0 350	-0 267	-0 038	-0 179	-0 181	0 159	0 021	0 098	-0 062	0 104	0 707
Leisure Services	N/N	0 041	0 019	0 079	0 252	-0 099	-0 101	0 001	0 018	-0 160	0 003	0 000	0 000	0 000	-1 053	1 947
	N/Y	0 185	-0 032	-0 020	0 259	-0 148	-0 177	-0 063	-0 046	-0 204	0 009	0 000	0 099	0 056	-0 918	1 770
	Y/N	0 079	0 098	0 079	0 197	-0 214	0 093	-0 033	0 011	-0 080	0 066	-0 042	0 000	0 000	-1 196	1 785
	Y/Y	0 076	-0 011	0 004	0 061	-0 073	0 001	0 015	-0 107	-0 067	-0 029	0 030	0 079	0 039	-1 018	1 805
	ALL	0 122	-0 007	0 007	0 182	-0 129	-0 079	-0 027	-0 056	-0 139	0 001	0 006	0 073	0 039	-0 993	1 805

Table 3: Real Expenditure Constant Price and Budget Elasticities (Long-run Model; 1974-1987)

Commodity Group	H-Hold type	Price Group														Budget
		Beer	Wine	Spirits	Food	Fuel	Clothes	I	IS	PGS	LG	Travel	Tobacco	Motor	Petrol	
Beer	N/N	-0.434	-0.240	-0.047	-0.227	0.006	0.365	-0.005	-0.393	0.064	-0.131	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.042	1.260
	N/Y	-1.018	-0.293	-0.091	0.187	-0.472	-2.180	-0.135	-0.179	0.235	0.527	0.000	1.444	0.181	0.793	0.513
	Y/N	-1.130	-0.043	0.049	-0.023	0.131	-0.310	0.033	0.030	0.166	-0.002	0.015	0.000	0.000	0.084	1.444
	Y/Y	-1.082	0.010	0.090	-0.053	-0.161	-0.588	-0.094	-0.440	0.128	0.206	0.184	0.539	0.073	0.188	0.731
	ALL	-1.032	-0.100	0.023	0.007	-0.173	-0.900	-0.072	-0.267	0.161	0.228	0.086	0.636	0.082	0.321	0.857
Wine	N/N	-0.463	-1.266	-0.037	0.000	0.352	-0.128	-0.035	0.198	0.373	-0.085	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.090	1.328
	N/Y	-0.398	-1.135	-0.004	-0.078	0.835	0.680	0.232	-0.541	0.743	-0.289	0.000	n.757	-0.165	-0.124	1.659
	Y/N	-0.156	-1.344	-0.293	-0.024	0.775	-0.105	0.042	-0.585	0.427	-0.076	-0.016	0.000	0.000	0.357	1.310
	Y/Y	0.023	-1.018	-0.262	-0.270	0.713	0.348	-0.069	-0.118	-0.059	0.064	-0.114	-0.188	-0.050	-0.001	1.692
	ALL	-0.225	-1.113	-0.123	-0.143	0.752	0.448	0.087	-0.334	0.392	-0.126	-0.045	-0.440	-0.099	-0.031	1.627
Spirits	N/N	-0.073	-0.030	-1.714	0.146	0.088	-0.394	0.094	0.234	0.252	0.130	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.268	1.078
	N/Y	-0.146	-0.004	-1.140	0.085	0.028	0.389	0.460	-0.202	0.179	-0.220	0.000	-0.232	-0.122	-0.075	n.935
	Y/N	0.114	-0.188	-1.105	0.073	0.017	-0.291	0.114	0.359	0.091	-0.152	-0.184	0.000	0.000	0.152	1.377
	Y/Y	0.190	-0.233	-0.933	0.592	-0.144	-0.458	0.129	0.582	-0.207	-0.206	-0.590	0.096	0.068	0.114	1.135
	ALL	0.055	-0.140	-1.078	0.326	-0.050	-0.163	0.228	0.279	-0.010	-0.179	-0.304	-0.028	-0.006	0.071	1.104
Food	N/N	-0.045	0.000	0.018	-0.665	-0.109	-0.134	-0.072	-0.031	-0.054	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.091	0.473
	N/Y	0.028	-0.009	0.008	-0.931	-0.137	-0.084	0.036	-0.080	0.011	0.054	0.000	0.073	-0.090	0.120	0.367
	Y/N	-0.007	-0.002	0.010	-0.537	-0.120	-0.074	-0.019	-0.043	-0.087	-0.025	-0.164	0.000	0.000	0.067	0.604
	Y/Y	-0.013	-0.028	0.068	-0.784	-0.039	0.134	-0.024	-0.099	-0.162	0.020	-0.025	0.000	-0.081	0.033	0.340
	ALL	0.001	-0.013	0.031	-0.792	-0.097	-0.012	-0.005	-0.076	-0.071	0.025	-0.032	0.028	-0.064	0.078	0.404
Fuel	N/N	0.003	0.094	0.029	-0.287	-0.678	-0.119	-0.066	0.002	0.033	0.072	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.083	0.387
	N/Y	-0.266	0.348	0.010	-0.511	0.055	0.308	-0.254	0.433	-0.015	-0.287	0.000	-0.115	-0.359	-0.346	0.421
	Y/N	0.113	0.184	0.006	-0.332	-1.102	-0.138	0.015	0.435	0.000	0.035	0.008	0.000	0.000	-0.223	0.270
	Y/Y	-0.147	0.275	-0.062	-0.146	-0.237	-0.191	0.110	0.389	0.304	-0.185	-0.245	5.377	-0.307	-0.180	0.507
	ALL	-0.122	0.258	-0.011	-0.330	-0.350	0.007	-0.063	0.356	0.096	-0.145	-0.077	-0.161	-0.226	-0.233	0.417
Clothing	N/N	0.187	-0.034	-0.129	-0.350	-0.118	-0.420	-0.042	-0.199	0.106	0.076	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.076	1.163
	N/Y	-0.708	0.163	0.078	-0.180	0.177	-0.546	0.064	0.323	0.467	0.008	0.000	-0.406	-0.193	-0.246	0.919
	Y/N	-0.250	-0.023	-0.101	-0.192	-0.130	-0.818	-0.051	0.222	-0.058	0.191	0.160	0.000	0.000	0.050	1.474
	Y/Y	-0.312	0.078	-0.115	0.292	-0.111	-1.040	-0.086	0.309	0.203	-0.027	-0.012	-0.093	-0.081	-0.005	0.825
	ALL	-0.429	0.092	-0.033	-0.017	0.008	-0.754	-0.015	0.262	0.276	0.022	0.014	-0.206	-0.112	-0.107	0.970
H-Hold Services	N/N	-0.004	-0.015	0.050	-0.303	-0.107	-0.068	-0.480	-0.157	-0.008	0.130	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.037	1.615
	N/Y	-0.075	0.096	0.160	0.134	-0.253	0.110	-0.532	-0.282	0.208	0.081	0.000	-0.489	-0.021	-0.137	1.346
	Y/N	0.059	0.021	0.088	-0.108	0.032	-0.114	-0.806	-0.141	-0.041	0.066	0.046	0.000	0.000	-0.103	1.670
	Y/Y	-0.103	-0.032	0.067	-0.107	0.132	-0.179	-0.752	-0.167	0.126	0.192	0.031	-0.156	-0.071	0.019	1.663
	ALL	-0.063	0.033	0.110	-0.019	-0.080	-0.029	-0.627	-0.216	0.132	0.122	0.015	-0.275	-0.034	-0.070	1.514

Table 3 (cont.)

Commodity Group	H-Hold type	Price Group														Budget
		Beer	Wine	Spirits	Food	Fuel	Clothes	HS	PGS	LG	Travel	Tobacco	Motor	Petrol	LS	
PGS	N/N	-0.383	0.100	0.146	-0.154	0.004	-0.381	-0.185	-0.924	0.614	0.102	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.063	1.277
	N/Y	-0.121	-0.270	-0.085	-0.356	0.519	0.673	-0.340	-0.559	0.545	-0.261	0.000	-0.403	-0.139	-0.203	0.863
	Y/N	0.062	-0.334	0.319	-0.287	1.046	0.568	-0.162	-1.804	0.738	-0.964	-0.169	0.000	0.000	-0.012	1.217
	Y/Y	-0.507	-0.057	0.317	-0.472	0.490	0.673	-0.175	-0.945	0.867	-0.106	-0.054	-0.547	-0.227	-0.257	0.827
	ALL	-0.272	-0.160	0.127	-0.370	0.508	0.553	-0.245	-0.864	0.690	-0.237	-0.037	-0.373	-0.143	-0.176	0.928
Leisure Goods	N/N	0.064	0.194	0.162	-0.278	0.064	0.208	-0.010	0.631	-1.275	-0.472	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.288	1.237
	N/Y	0.123	0.286	0.058	0.039	-0.014	0.750	0.194	0.420	-0.761	-0.313	0.000	-1.099	-0.209	-0.474	0.869
	Y/N	0.248	0.177	0.059	-0.421	-0.001	-0.108	-0.034	0.536	-0.967	-0.265	-0.154	0.000	0.000	-0.071	1.170
	Y/Y	0.118	-0.023	-0.090	-0.616	0.306	0.352	0.105	0.693	-0.587	-0.247	-0.255	-0.517	-0.082	-0.157	1.010
	ALL	0.124	0.131	-0.004	-0.310	0.139	0.482	0.127	0.566	-0.724	-0.289	-0.127	-0.698	-0.125	-0.292	0.974
Travel	N/N	-0.123	-0.041	0.077	0.000	0.131	0.138	0.146	0.097	-0.439	-0.984	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.004	1.348
	N/Y	0.382	-0.154	-0.099	0.258	-0.369	0.019	0.105	-0.280	-0.434	-0.777	0.000	0.083	0.194	0.073	0.753
	Y/N	-0.002	-0.031	-0.098	-0.119	0.060	0.353	0.055	-0.695	-0.263	-0.397	0.054	0.000	0.000	0.084	1.371
	Y/Y	0.331	0.043	-0.156	0.135	-0.325	-0.083	0.279	-0.147	-0.430	-0.957	-0.211	0.382	0.164	-0.024	0.411
	ALL	0.226	-0.058	-0.092	0.115	-0.208	0.069	0.152	-0.271	-0.401	-0.784	-0.051	0.144	0.122	0.037	0.85C
Tobacco	N/N	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	
	N/Y	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	
	Y/N	0.013	-0.004	-0.070	-0.470	0.009	0.176	0.023	-0.073	-0.091	0.032	-0.526	0.000	0.000	-0.019	
	ALL	0.198	-0.033	-0.298	-0.112	-0.287	-0.023	0.031	-0.050	-0.296	-0.141	-0.140	0.064	0.032	0.075	
Motoring	N/N	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	
	N/Y	0.306	-0.118	-0.031	0.102	-0.043	-0.265	-0.185	-0.126	-0.446	0.024	0.000	-0.410	0.049	0.143	
	Y/N	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000		
	Y/Y	0.214	-0.031	0.018	0.000	-0.164	-0.070	-0.057	-0.189	-0.223	0.095	0.024	-0.685	0.009	0.059	
	ALL	0.260	-0.079	-0.009	0.056	-0.093	-0.176	-0.126	-0.149	-0.341	0.053	0.010	-0.516	0.031	0.104	
Petrol	N/N	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000		
	N/Y	0.098	-0.066	-0.041	-0.321	-0.345	-0.323	-0.020	-0.111	-0.217	0.145	0.000	0.126	-0.041	0.115	
	Y/N	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000		
	Y/Y	0.069	-0.020	0.030	-0.313	-0.315	-0.143	-0.061	-0.185	-0.084	0.096	0.028	0.021	-0.182	0.058	
	ALL	0.082	-0.043	-0.008	-0.308	-0.321	-0.233	-0.038	-0.141	-0.151	0.119	0.013	0.075	-0.103	0.086	
Leisure Services	N/N	0.030	0.033	0.119	0.325	-0.113	-0.104	-0.031	0.045	-0.200	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	-1.101	
	N/Y	0.221	-0.025	-0.013	0.220	-0.170	-0.211	-0.068	-0.084	-0.253	-0.003	0.000	0.187	0.059	-0.891	
	Y/N	0.117	0.137	0.091	0.301	-0.361	0.087	-0.079	-0.008	-0.066	0.027	0.078	0.030	0.000	0.000	
	ALL	0.068	0.000	0.019	0.049	-0.071	-0.004	0.006	-0.081	-0.062	-0.005	0.025	0.053	0.022	-1.021	
	ALL	0.138	0.007	0.021	0.176	-0.151	-0.094	-0.040	-0.063	-0.158	0.019	0.006	0.102	0.034	-0.998	

Table 4 (cont.)

Commodity Group	H-Hold type	Price Group														Budget
		Beer	Wine	Spirits	Food	Fuel	Clothes	HS	PGS	LG	Travel	Tobacco	Motor	Petrol	LS	
PGS	N/N	-0.332	0.149	0.147	-0.186	-0.148	-0.373	-0.107	-0.930	0.635	0.112	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.032	1.213
	N/Y	-0.064	-0.218	-0.044	-0.671	0.599	0.633	-0.231	-1.016	0.543	-0.316	0.000	0.080	-0.185	-0.110	0.977
	Y/N	0.045	-0.318	0.308	-0.256	0.932	0.453	-0.151	-1.689	0.724	-0.889	-0.159	0.000	0.000	0.001	1.161
	Y/Y	-0.453	-0.002	0.335	-0.575	0.363	0.516	-0.166	-1.054	0.705	-0.032	0.001	-0.233	-0.204	-0.199	0.980
	ALL	-0.226	-0.110	0.146	-0.554	0.467	0.478	-0.188	-1.079	0.628	-0.216	-0.013	-0.052	-0.159	-0.121	1.016
Leisure Goods	N/N	0.087	0.179	0.110	-0.220	-0.011	0.106	0.004	0.562	-1.200	-0.388	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.229	1.246
	N/Y	-0.008	0.234	0.031	-0.125	0.141	0.637	0.226	0.457	-0.702	-0.439	0.000	-0.830	-0.214	-0.407	0.984
	Y/N	0.336	0.183	0.099	-0.484	-0.136	-0.016	0.006	0.538	-1.077	-0.214	-0.127	0.000	0.000	-0.107	1.201
	Y/Y	0.098	-0.022	-0.086	-0.637	0.291	0.345	0.116	0.628	-0.565	-0.238	-0.216	-0.463	-0.100	-0.149	1.027
	ALL	0.062	0.133	-0.001	-0.345	0.164	0.443	0.153	0.533	-0.717	-0.346	-0.088	-0.573	-0.141	-0.278	1.035
Travel	N/N	-0.071	-0.034	0.080	0.004	-0.033	0.042	0.146	0.087	-0.343	-0.899	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.021	1.283
	N/Y	0.430	-0.118	-0.110	0.370	-0.460	0.154	0.087	-0.376	-0.620	-0.608	0.000	-0.037	0.262	0.027	1.230
	Y/N	0.008	-0.006	-0.097	-0.061	0.041	0.258	0.045	-0.671	-0.217	-0.407	0.008	0.000	0.000	0.099	1.373
	Y/Y	0.266	0.037	-0.129	0.185	-0.253	-0.051	0.217	-0.048	-0.403	-0.963	-0.207	0.232	0.163	-0.046	0.713
	ALL	0.231	-0.042	-0.082	0.186	-0.248	0.095	0.127	-0.256	-0.446	-0.723	-0.057	0.051	0.147	0.017	1.117
Tobacco	N/N	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
	N/Y	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
	Y/N	0.008	0.001	-0.091	-0.525	0.045	0.179	0.022	-0.079	-0.085	0.006	-0.462	0.000	0.000	-0.020	0.308
	Y/Y	0.161	-0.058	-0.284	-0.104	-0.229	-0.009	-0.002	0.001	-0.261	-0.148	-0.152	0.006	0.016	0.062	-0.067
	ALL	0.110	-0.038	-0.219	-0.246	-0.136	0.054	0.006	-0.026	-0.202	-0.096	-0.256	0.004	0.010	0.035	0.059
Motoring	N/N	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
	N/Y	0.309	-0.107	-0.036	0.363	-0.144	-0.237	-0.156	0.027	-0.338	-0.011	0.000	-0.794	0.043	0.081	1.145
	Y/N	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
	Y/Y	0.221	-0.044	-0.022	0.155	-0.148	-0.027	-0.047	-0.090	-0.201	0.060	0.002	-0.920	0.036	0.027	1.793
	ALL	0.267	-0.079	-0.030	0.270	-0.143	-0.145	-0.108	-0.023	-0.275	0.019	0.001	-0.835	0.039	0.057	1.400
Petrol	N/N	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
	N/Y	0.150	-0.065	-0.036	-0.358	-0.407	-0.351	-0.009	-0.180	-0.248	0.214	0.000	0.123	0.038	0.129	0.774
	Y/N	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
	Y/Y	0.053	-0.018	0.033	-0.344	-0.306	-0.161	-0.064	-0.197	-0.109	0.105	0.014	0.089	-0.159	0.065	1.143
	ALL	0.103	-0.042	-0.004	-0.343	-0.351	-0.256	-0.034	-0.183	-0.179	0.159	0.006	0.105	-0.053	0.097	0.922
Leisure Services	N/N	0.038	0.026	0.079	0.291	-0.120	-0.108	-0.012	0.019	-0.152	0.016	0.000	0.000	0.000	-1.076	1.948
	N/Y	0.185	-0.032	-0.020	0.259	-0.148	-0.177	-0.063	-0.046	-0.204	0.009	0.000	0.099	0.056	-0.918	1.770
	Y/N	0.115	0.103	0.079	0.222	-0.314	0.086	-0.049	0.000	-0.078	0.070	-0.022	0.000	0.000	-1.213	1.843
	Y/Y	0.089	-0.006	0.008	0.088	-0.085	0.011	0.015	-0.095	-0.079	-0.015	0.027	0.033	0.032	-1.024	1.743
	ALL	0.131	-0.004	0.009	0.197	-0.139	-0.077	-0.029	-0.053	-0.142	0.007	0.008	0.057	0.037	-1.000	1.784

Table 1 Real Expenditure Constant Price and Budget Elasticities (Short-run Model, 1974-1987)

Commodity Group	H-Hold type	Price Group														Budget
		Beer	Wine	Spirits	Food	Fuel	Clothes	HIS	PGS	LG	Travel	Tobacco	Motor	Petrol	LS	
Beer	N/N	-0.482	-0.229	0.048	-0.203	0.022	0.358	0.006	0.418	0.044	-0.100	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.050	1.374
	N/Y	-1.038	-0.277	-0.094	0.149	-0.415	-2.153	0.132	-0.199	0.060	0.515	0.000	1.582	0.227	0.774	0.796
	Y/N	-1.142	-0.042	0.052	0.015	0.153	-0.328	0.047	0.029	0.175	-0.018	0.011	0.000	0.000	0.049	1.563
	Y/Y	-1.082	0.026	0.093	0.013	0.109	-0.573	-0.107	-0.413	0.047	0.204	0.158	0.000	0.077	0.159	1.178
	ALL	-1.044	-0.087	0.024	0.024	0.128	-0.890	-0.070	-0.262	0.077	0.222	0.074	0.671	0.096	0.296	1.168
Wine	N/N	-0.441	-1.253	-0.053	0.026	0.339	-0.107	-0.024	0.172	0.343	-0.071	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.070	1.285
	N/Y	-0.375	-1.107	-0.014	-0.057	0.820	0.731	0.230	-0.539	0.654	-0.269	0.000	-0.766	-0.152	-0.155	1.783
	Y/N	-0.153	-1.362	-0.325	0.006	0.818	-0.061	0.060	-0.659	0.453	-0.117	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.339	1.246
	Y/Y	0.062	-1.025	-0.283	0.245	0.678	0.409	-0.065	-0.098	0.084	0.075	-0.110	0.242	-0.043	-0.031	1.632
	ALL	-0.198	-1.102	-0.140	0.119	0.734	0.501	0.089	-0.332	0.339	-0.115	-0.042	-0.465	-0.090	-0.060	1.657
Spirits	N/N	-0.074	-0.043	-1.172	0.162	0.098	0.386	0.111	0.201	0.238	0.147	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.269	1.104
	N/Y	-0.152	-0.017	-1.138	0.065	0.075	0.411	0.457	-0.248	0.140	-0.232	0.000	0.178	-0.108	0.075	1.018
	Y/N	0.121	-0.208	-1.112	0.079	0.043	-0.284	0.120	0.356	0.089	-0.167	0.187	0.000	0.000	0.150	1.377
	Y/Y	0.196	-0.252	0.933	0.603	-0.095	-0.409	0.136	0.573	-0.216	-0.236	-0.603	0.096	0.076	0.090	1.326
	ALL	0.057	-0.157	-1.091	0.326	-0.008	-0.132	0.233	0.258	-0.028	-0.198	-0.311	0.011	0.002	0.059	1.221
Food	N/N	-0.040	0.003	0.020	-0.656	0.118	-0.129	-0.081	-0.030	-0.059	0.013	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.078	0.507
	N/Y	0.023	-0.006	0.006	-0.919	-0.111	0.062	0.025	-0.093	-0.034	0.062	0.000	0.089	-0.071	0.107	0.537
	Y/N	0.005	0.001	0.011	-0.536	-0.111	0.072	0.026	-0.044	-0.090	-0.019	-0.158	0.000	0.000	0.060	0.602
	Y/Y	0.003	0.025	0.069	-0.756	-0.047	0.158	-0.035	-0.105	-0.180	0.035	-0.019	0.030	-0.081	0.020	0.459
	ALL	0.004	-0.011	0.031	-0.777	0.099	0.007	-0.016	-0.083	-0.096	0.035	-0.029	0.024	-0.036	0.066	0.515
Fuel	N/N	0.011	0.090	0.032	-0.310	-0.654	0.135	-0.087	0.003	0.055	0.060	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.067	0.314
	N/Y	-0.234	0.341	0.026	-0.077	-0.067	0.205	-0.264	0.488	0.131	0.275	0.000	-0.193	-0.373	-0.308	0.115
	Y/N	0.131	0.194	0.016	-0.361	-1.140	-0.156	0.007	0.452	-0.013	0.047	0.013	0.000	0.000	-0.190	0.260
	Y/Y	-0.099	0.261	-0.041	-0.178	-0.374	-0.193	0.110	0.374	0.373	-0.127	-0.219	-0.000	0.299	-0.155	0.260
	ALL	-0.091	0.253	0.004	-0.337	-0.441	-0.036	0.071	0.374	0.172	0.122	-0.068	-0.208	0.229	-0.203	0.216
Clothing	N/N	0.183	-0.028	-0.126	-0.338	-0.133	-0.432	-0.063	-0.200	0.120	0.087	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.070	1.169
	N/Y	-0.699	0.175	0.083	-0.132	0.118	-0.489	0.051	0.346	0.451	0.071	0.000	-0.517	-0.187	-0.271	1.088
	Y/N	-0.264	-0.014	-0.098	-0.188	-0.147	-0.827	-0.039	0.235	0.061	0.200	0.148	0.000	0.000	0.056	1.421
	Y/Y	-0.304	0.091	-0.102	0.345	-0.112	-1.033	-0.091	0.353	0.155	0.002	0.000	-0.148	-0.091	0.018	0.961
	ALL	-0.424	0.104	-0.026	0.025	-0.021	-0.729	-0.023	0.290	0.252	0.061	0.001	-0.274	-0.113	-0.120	1.088
H-Hold Services	N/N	0.005	-0.010	0.059	-0.345	-0.139	-0.102	-0.447	-0.108	0.000	0.090	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.024	1.434
	N/Y	-0.074	0.095	0.159	0.093	-0.263	0.088	-0.524	-0.256	0.246	0.069	0.000	-0.475	-0.023	-0.136	1.270
	Y/N	0.084	0.030	0.093	0.154	0.014	-0.086	-0.829	-0.133	-0.021	0.050	0.028	0.000	0.000	-0.076	1.446
	Y/Y	-0.118	-0.030	0.071	0.158	0.133	-0.189	-0.723	-0.144	0.229	0.163	-0.020	-0.150	-0.080	0.018	1.538
	ALL	-0.064	0.035	0.112	0.064	0.089	-0.043	-0.612	-0.190	0.189	0.101	0.004	-0.267	-0.037	0.067	1.395

Table 1 (cont.)

Commodity Group	H-Hold type	Price Group														Budget
		Beer	Wine	Spirits	Food	Fuel	Clothes	IIS	PGS	LG	Travel	Tobacco	Motor	Petrol	LS	
PGS	N/N	-0.408	0.087	0.125	-0.149	0.005	-0.382	-0.127	-0.903	0.623	0.063	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.065	1.2313
	N/Y	-0.135	-0.270		-0.415	0.586	0.722		-0.607	0.527						0.967
	Y/N	0.059	-0.376	-0.104 0.316	-0.293	1.088	0.601	-0.353	-1.842	0.771	-1.003	-0.179	-0.363	-0.216	-0.288	1.134
	Y/Y	-0.476	-0.048	0.312	-0.500	0.471	0.768	-0.150	-0.965	0.835	-0.124	-0.057	-0.355	-0.139	-0.183	0.9018
	ALL	-0.269 0.044	-0.162	0.115	-0.406	0.534	0.612	-0.216	-0.893	0.674	-0.273	-0.039				0.991
Leisure Goods	N/N	0.031	0.178	0.153	-0.301	0.108	0.236	0.026	0.641	-0.721	-0.549 -0.404	0.000 0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.304	1.228
	N/Y		0.252	0.045	-0.116	0.121	0.725	0.229	0.406				-0.924	-0.202	-0.442	0.973
	Y/N	0.262	0.187	0.057	-0.434	-0.023	-0.113	-0.017	0.560	-0.960	-0.275	-0.173	0.000	0.000	-0.071	1.133
	Y/Y	0.043			-0.684	0.376	0.269	0.192	0.668	-0.414	-0.341	-0.356	-0.406	-0.088	-0.133	1.057
	ALL	0.051 -0.094	-0.032 0.112	-0.094 -0.012	-0.408	0.229	0.435	0.185	0.550	-0.625	-0.376	-0.175	-0.573	-0.125	-0.269	1.037
Travel	N/N	0.373	-0.034 -0.144	-0.104 0.088	0.060	0.108	0.158	0.101	0.061	-0.510	-0.915	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.023	1.4018
	N/Y				0.298	-0.353	0.158	0.089	-0.332		-0.703	0.000	0.025	0.233	0.021	1.215
	Y/N				-0.091	0.082	0.369	0.041	-0.723	-0.282	-0.390	0.088	0.000	0.000	0.078	1.403
	Y/Y	-0.026	-0.048 0.051	-0.107 -0.179	0.232	-0.223	0.006	0.237	-0.173	-0.593	-0.942	-0.208	0.374	0.161	-0.070	1.122
	ALL	0.228	-0.054	-0.101	0.172	-0.170	0.154	0.125	-0.309	-0.509	-0.741	-0.044	0.119	0.136	0.000	1.2510
Tobacco	N/N	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
	N/Y	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
	Y/N	0.010	0.001	-0.071	-0.454	0.013	0.162	0.014	-0.077	-0.102	0.053	-0.511	0.000	0.000	-0.037	0.549
	Y/Y	0.169	-0.050	-0.305	-0.084	-0.256	-0.095	-0.020	-0.053	-0.413	-0.138	-0.070	0.171	0.062	0.082	0.255
	ALL	0.108	-0.030	-0.215	-0.227	-0.152	0.004	-0.007	-0.062	-0.293	-0.065	-0.240	0.105	0.038	0.036	0.369
Motoring	N/N	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.007	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
	N/Y	0.000	-0.120	-0.023	0.125	-0.072	-0.338	-0.179	-0.109	-0.375	0.000	0.000	-0.433	0.013	0.170	1.159
	Y/N		0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
	Y/Y	0.213	-0.041	0.018	-0.050	-0.189	-0.111	-0.054	-0.195	-0.175	0.093	0.064	-0.668	0.001	0.095	1.497
	ALL	0.275	-0.083	-0.005	0.048	-0.120	-0.234	-0.122	-0.142	-0.282	0.043	0.027	-0.521	0.007	0.134	1.274
Petrol	N/N	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
	N/Y	0.123	-0.061	-0.036	-0.253	-0.357	-0.312	-0.022	-0.111	-0.210		0.000	0.032	-0.075	0.109	0.804
	Y/N	0.000		0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.174 0.000	0.000 0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
	Y/Y	0.072	-0.017 0.000	0.034	-0.315	-0.307	-0.161	-0.068	-0.176	-0.090	0.094	0.054	0.002	-0.193	0.071	0.722
	ALL	0.096	-0.039	-0.001	-0.274	-0.324	-0.235	-0.042	-0.137	-0.150	0.133	0.024	0.018	-0.126	0.089	0.744
Leisure Services	N/N	0.035	0.025	0.120	0.277	-0.090	-0.096	-0.020			-0.017		0.000			2.075
	N/Y	0.068	-0.032	-0.013	0.197	-0.152	-0.232	-0.068	-0.082	-0.284	0.008	0.000	0.223	0.086	-0.885	1.775
	Y/N	0.057	0.130	0.089 0.015	0.268	-0.308	0.096	-0.059	0.007	-0.066 -0.052	-0.0 0.073 16	-0.058	0.000 0.087	0.000	-1.243	1.976
	Y/Y		-0.005		0.030	-0.061	-0.012	0.006	-0.090			0.028		0.028	-1.015	1.598
	ALL	0.127	0.001	0.020	0.151	-0.132	-0.104	-0.036	-0.064	-0.148	0.005	0.004	0.130	0.035	-0.987	1.759

N/N: Non-smokers and non-car owners; N/Y: Non-smokers and car-owners;
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Abstract

This guide describes the use of SPITV3, a simulation program for indirect taxation. It is a menu driven microcomputer program that allows the user to change the structure and rates of indirect taxation and to incorporate forecasts of earnings growth and price changes. It evaluates the effect of such changes on consumer expenditure and thus government revenue from indirect taxation. The program features estimates of a system of demand equations obtained using over 100,000 observations from the Family Expenditure Surveys in order to predict consumer behavioural reactions to the tax. income and price changes.

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Summary

The IFS Simulation Program for **Indirect** Taxation (SPIT) **is** a standalone **micro**-computer **simulation** program for the **analysis** of **indirect** tax policy that runs on IBM personal computers (286 and above). The program simulates Household responses to **Indirect** tax or **price** changes **in** a way that **embodies** a "theory-consistent" **microeconomic** model of household expenditure **behaviour**

The use of **micro** (ie **individual** level) data allows us to **introduce** **variation** into **behaviour** according to **demographic** characteristics - thus **avoiding** the "representative consumer" assumption often made **in** macroeconomic models. **In addition**, when analysing a policy reform one **is** able to focus on **distributional** effects, or **alternatively** consider how a policy affects any particular sub-group of the population

Essentially, the program **comprises** four **main** elements

- The **estimation** of an **economic** model of household preferences for goods and **services**.
The **simulation** of the sample response to a change **in economic** factors faced by the household
- The 'grossing-up' of the sample response to national levels
- The use of "sample" and "grossed-up" results for **policy** analysts

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Methodology

The Simulation Program embodies parameters from a behavioural model of household preferences estimated on 15 years of microeconomic data for the United Kingdom. The behavioural model assumes a simple "two-stage" budgeting framework where a household first allocates total income to saving, housing, durable consumption, and all non-durable consumption. This non-durable expenditure is then shared out over the commodity group which we estimate (according to the relative prices of each group) at the second stage of the budgeting process.

The share of total expenditure allocated to each commodity group is allowed to depend on all relative prices, the level of total expenditure, a large set of characteristics of the household and also a set of deterministic variables (such as a time trend) and the functional form we choose is an extension of the well-known Almost Ideal Demand System of Deaton and Muellbauer (1980). The extension takes the form of allowing the share equations to be *quadratic* in the log of total expenditure. There are two reasons for this. Firstly, it allows goods to be "luxuries" in some income ranges and "necessities" in others, and secondly, statistically the model appears to fit the data more effectively when $\log(x)^2$ is included (appearing to confirm the luxury-necessity nature of some commodity groups).

From this model we can completely recover a set of households responses to price changes in terms of levels of expenditure/demand for each commodity group or elasticities -expressions describing how these demands change in response to price or income changes.

Since any indirect tax **policy** can be expressed as a change in prices/ incomes that the consumer faces this then becomes a tool for the analysis and simulation of any such **policy**².

Data

The estimation underlying SPIT uses UK household data from the Family **Expenditure Survey** (FES) 1974-1988 inclusive. SPIT requires relative price variation to identify commodity demands so the use of as large a sample (in the time dimension) as possible, while **computationally** expensive, is extremely advantageous. However, the model is not estimated for household in Northern Ireland due to data reliability problems.

We split the sample into four groups according to the household status of having a smoker in the household (or not), and having a car (or not). This allows us to account for such households having entirely different preferences, and also for the fact that a non-smoking households will (usually) consume no tobacco (a separate commodity group) whatever the price, which we can control for by completely eliminating tobacco prices from a non-smokers preference function.

1 For detailed documentation on the estimation stage, the interested reader is referred to Baker, McKay and Symons (1990) or Blundell, Pashardes and Weber (1989). Other stages are described in Baker and Syrns (1991) - the SPIT ver. 3.0 user manual.

2 Incidentally, the model assumes full (100%) pass-on of duties from producers to consumers immediately. This is, however, found to be not too unreasonable (for the excisable goods) in Baker and Bechling (1991, forthcoming).

In total we have approximately 105,000 households over the 15 years, and each, in the FES, has reported expenditure levels for a two-week diary period.

In addition we have demographic information for the household regarding

- tenure
- occupation/employment
- number of children, adults and pensioners
- age of all individuals
- ownership of durable goods (e.g. central heating)
- region
- education of household members

all of which enter the functional form describing the household behavioural system. In addition we add in deterministic variables such as time trends and seasonal dummies, and also use macroeconomic information on interest rates and unemployment to help explain household behaviour. We choose to split household expenditure allocations into 16 broad categories corresponding to the new (post 1987) RPI groupings apart from an alcohol where we disaggregate further for the explicit analysis of excise duties. These commodities are

1	Be&	9	Leisure services
2	Wine	10.	Motoring
3	Spirits	11.	Petrol
4.	Food	12.	Tobacco
5	Fuel and light	13	Fares and other expenses
6	Clothing and footwear	14.	Leisure goods
7	Personal goods and services	15	Household goods
8	Household services	16	Housing

where categories 15 and 16 are allocated at the first stage of the budgeting process - so we consequently have a "second stage" estimation of 14 groups of commodities, each with their own relative price.

Clearly, with only a two-week diary period in the survey there will be some problem with infrequency of purchase and measurement error in the data, which (along with the two stage budgeting procedure) we can take into account by estimating with an instrumental variable technique similar to that described in Keen (1986)

Results

With a system of 14 equations - each with over 50 parameters presentation of results is a problem, particularly when there are four separate sets of parameters - for non-smoking car owners, smoking car owners, non-smoking no-car owners and smoking non-car owners³. Consequently in this section we will only present aggregate own price and budget elasticities (ie weighted averages of each group's elasticities where the weights depend on the group's contribution to expenditures on that commodity).

³ In addition, due to some question about the FES data picking up the expenditure boom of 1988 indicated in macro data, we also estimate a complete model from 1974-1987 only - which we will report from now on

Table 1
Short Run Estimation 1974-1987

Commodity group	Own price elasticity	Budget elasticity
	$\frac{\Delta q_i}{\Delta p_i}$	$\frac{\Delta q_i}{\Delta \log(\text{Expend})}$
Beer	-1.044	1.168
Wine	-1.102	1.657
Spirits	-1.091	1.221
Food	-0.777	0.51s
Fuel	-0.441	0.216
Clothing	-0.729	1.088
Pers goods & serv.	-0.893	0.991
HH services	-0.612	1.395
Leisure services	-0.987	1.759
Motoring	-0.521	1.274
Petrol	-0.126	0.744
Tobacco	-0.240	0.369
Fares & other travel expenses	-0.741	1.250
Leisure goods	-0.625	1.037

It is not the elasticities, however, but the underlying behavioural parameters that are programmed into SPIT to allow the construction of household responses to changes in indirect taxes, prices and incomes.

SIMULATION

The simulation program itself is a standalone package written in **MS-Fortran** for operation on IBM compatible 286 or above microcomputers. The package presents a series of menus allowing the user to reform the tax system, simulate responses, and then **analyse** the results.

Designing A Reform

Choosing to define / conduct a reform from the Main Menu **will** be followed by a choice for the base tax system.

<p>Which system do you wish to reform ?</p> <p>A. 1988/89</p> <p>B. 1990/91</p> <p>C. Geate New Base</p> <p>D. Use Previously Created Base</p> <p>X. Exit to Main Menu</p>
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The user is able to impose tax changes on the observed data period, 1988, to a more recent tax system, 1990/1, or to create their own tax/price/ income system. For the first two options the data is reflated to August of the appropriate year and the tax rates for the **financial** year are applied to this data. The third option enables the user to save a tax system that can be used

as a base for a **variety** of tax reforms with the subsequent **choice** of option **D** The taxes, prices and **earnings** levels appropriate to 1990 are loaded as default Under all **options** the user can follow a **series** of menus to change the parameters of the tax system

The program covers the three **main** areas of **indirect** tax (VAT rates, VAT **commodity** base and **representative excise duties**), to vary the level of **child** benefit and allows the user to select the model for consumer **expenditure**

These menus are accessed via the Reform Menu

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| <p>REFORM MENU</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Change VAT Rates B Change VAT Base C. Change Excw Duties D Change Child Benefit E Model, Sample and Variable Selection F Earnings Growth G Price Changes for Commodity Groups X. Run Simulation/Exit to Mam Menu |
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VAT rates

Two **basic** VAT rates can be set, a **higher** rate, H, **in addition** to the standard rate, L. Exempt taxation, E, **is** allowed to attract a percentage of the standard VAT rate This is set at zero by default

VAT base

This allows the user to set the VAT rate for **specific** goods **within** the **commodity** groups **This is** done by **selection** of group and then the **required** good at the subsequent menu. The program takes pre-reform as default, indicating the current value at the **appropriate** menu. The user can change the tax treatment of any/ all goods by **entering** L for standard, H for **high**, Z for zero or E for exempt

Excise Dunes

This option brings up the following list of goods which carry **excise** duty

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| <p>Excise Duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Beer (pint of bitter) B Wine (bottle of table) C. Spirits (whisky bottle) D. Cigarettes (pkt of 20) E Pipe Tobacco (100 grams) F Hand Rolling (25 grams) E Petrol (gallon of 4 star) F Tax on New Cars G Vehicle Licence (E pa) X. Exit to Reform Menu |
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The program **indicates** the current value of these duties. The user can change any or all by entering the corresponding letter and responding to the prompt for a new duty **with** an **entry** in the appropriate **units** For example, beer **requires** a **specific** duty to be entered **in** pence per pint Cigarettes carry a **specific** and an **ad valorem** tax both of **which** can be altered **within** the program, the **specific** duty **in** pence per 20 **cigarettes** and the **ad valorem** component as a **proportion** **Specific** duties are translated to **proportional** taxes

and thus to price changes that the consumer experiences. It is assumed that the change in tax is entirely incident on the consumer. The proportional tax rates for each good are applied to the consumer expenditure group that contains that good. For example, the tax applied to all expenditure on beer, shandy, cider etc. is derived from the duty for a pint of beer.

The program also allows for fixed expenditure on private transport through the vehicle excise duty (VED). This is treated as a rationed expenditure within the simulation program. An increase in VED reduces the amount of income remaining for all other goods if that household owns a vehicle. VED is in £ per year.

Child Benefit

Changes to total expenditure for households with children can be made by altering the level of child benefit. It is assumed that the change in child benefit is **fully** reflected by a change in total expenditure of the household. They are measured in £ per child per week. The benefit for the first child may be set independently to that for subsequent children.

Model, sample and variable selection

This option allows the user to detail the overall structure of the simulation. The following options are available:

<u>Specification of Simulation Menu</u>
A. Model Selection
B. Sample Size
C. Household Variables to Save
D. Real Income/Money Income Constant
E. Quick/Comprehensive Run
X. Exit to Reform Menu

Under option A there is a choice from four econometric models of consumer demand. There are two types of models, long or short run models, the short run model containing durable ownership **dummies** while the long-run model does not condition on these.

Option B allows the user to choose the number of households to include in the simulation. The default value is the full sample of **7149**. The households are randomly ordered so that the first 1000 households give a good indication of the full sample results.

Option C allows the user to save additional variables on the household characteristics. Expenditure data, total VAT and Excise payments can be recorded for use in later analysis. Appendix B gives a list of the variables available. This is a useful option since it allows the user to break down the effects of the reform by, say, region, household composition, type of tenure, etc. A maximum of 25 variables can be requested. The user will be asked to enter the number of the variable, as given in Appendix B of the manual, and a variable name of 8 alphanumeric characters or less.

Option D details whether real or money income should be held constant for each household. Default takes real income as constant. In this case the program **will** adjust money income to enable the household to buy the pre-reform quantity of goods. This allows the user to assume that incomes adjust to reflect price changes in the long run. Typing D **will toggle** between the two.

Option E provides the ability to choose a 'Quick' or 'Comprehensive' run. The former will give a summary of the effects of the reform but will save **no** individual household data. It is taken as the default. A simulation using this option will run more quickly since there is less reading and writing to the disk and enables a large number of simulations to be run without using large amounts of disk storage. A full simulation run will create files of 136 megabytes or more. Typing E will toggle between the two.

Earnings Growth

This option allows the user to specify earnings growth rates from the base period (or from 1990 if creating a base system). Earnings growth rates are disaggregated according to their source: employment income, pensions, state benefits etc. Growth rates for employment income may be different according to gender and income quantile SPIT categories. The quantile for income according to those given in the New E-gs Survey, 1990. The growth in earnings is entered as an index, e.g. an index of 12 would imply a 20% increase in earnings from the base level.

Price Changes for Commodity Groups

This option allows the user to specify change in prices for the commodity groups. These may be introduced either by specifying a percentage change in the general level of prices and/or identifying percentage price changes for individual groups. A change to the overall price level will affect the price of only those groups that do not have a previously given price change. The menu shows the appropriate overall price change as the weighted sum of the commodity groups, the weights taken from Employment Gazette, 1990.

The user can pass through the menus as often as desired and correct previous changes since the reform is only saved when X is chosen at the Reform Menu.

The Reform Menu displays a summary of the current changes implemented to the tax system. It includes all excise duties, simulation parameters and vat rates (changes to the vat base, prices and earnings are not displayed). This information is carried through to the results file in addition to the price effects to help interpretation.

4. Employment income is a household, not individual, variable. The uprating factor is calculated by applying the weighted sum of uprating factors for the householder and his wife (if present) which are also included in the data. Thus a third earner's income is uprated by the husband and wife's factors. This affects a 13% of the sample and may result in either over or under uprating of those households.

Analysing a Reform

Having run a simulation a user can then analyse the results of an experimental reform through a separate system of menus.

Initially the post- and pre-reform parameters are displayed for ease of reference - see Figure 1. In Figure 1 and those that follow we take an extremely ad-hoc approximation to a move to EC alcohol tax **harmonisation** targets rates for the sake of demonstration only. These reforms are not complete representations of any proposal or adjustment process and are NOT TO BE QUOTED UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.

From then on the user is taken through a series of screens describing the sample response to the reform in terms of Excise Duty and VAT groupings, and **then similar screens** for the grossed up levels [see Figures 2-6].

Finally, (if the simulation used a "comprehensive Run") the user is taken to an options menu (Figure 7) to facilitate analysis of sub-samples, data transformations or summary statistics by **quantile**. (For further details see Baker & Symons (1991)).

In addition the user is allowed to output variables for every household to an ASCII file for further in depth analysis with any specialist statistical package.

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FIGURE 1

Results for modsemi

Number of households in simulation 7149

Summary of Tax Parameters

		Pre reform	Post reform
VAT	lower rate	150	150
	higher rate	150	150
Excise	Beer	20 40	6 00
	Wine	77 20	9 00
	Spirits	520 50	183 20
	New cars	10	10
	Petrol	102 20	102 20
	Cigarettes	69 80	69 80
	(ad valorem)	210	210
	Pipe Tobacco	2 49	2 49
	Other Tobacco	1 42	1 42
	VED	100 0	100 0
Child benefit			
	Oldest	7 250	7 250
	Other	7 250	7 250

FIGURE 2

Real Income held constant
Short run model estimation to 1987

Government Revenue yield from FES sample

Pre reform (£/wk)	173914 100
Post reform (£/wk)	164060 100

Breakdown of Tax Revenue (£/wk)

Excise Duty	Pre reform	Post reform	% change
Beer	8878 03	3095 66	65 13
Wine	3227 31	551 39	82 91
Spirits	4129 38	2053 32	50 28
Motoring	2446 11	2412 96	1 36
Petrol	23577 22	23395 63	77
Cigarettes	20948 38	21932 36	4 70
Pipe Tobacco	441 75	481 29	8 95
Other Tobacco	448 99	501 78	11 76
Total Excise	64097 18	54424 39	15 09

FIGURE 3

VAT Commodity Groups

	Pre reform	Post reform	% change
Beer	5999 22	5997 88	02
Wine	1918 05	2184 22	13 88
Spirits	1518 12	1577 65	3 92
Food	13819 94	13572 35	1 79
Fuel	00	00	00
Clothing	11458 79	11928 90	4 10
HH Services	7026 63	6835 70	2 72
Perf G & S	5814 84	6112 46	5 12
Leisure Good	6583 33	6269 67	4 76
Fares	1320 16	1313 56	50
Tobacco	4453 52	4678 83	5 06
Motoring	8208 41	8024 75	2 24
Petrol	6818 88	6766 35	77
Leisure Serv	16016 06	15512 73	3 14
Durables	16028 12	16028 12	00
Housing	8161 35	8161 35	00
TOTAL	115145 40	114964 50	16

FIGURE 4

National adjusted predictions

Breakdown of Tax Revenue (£m/annum)

Excise Duty	Pre-reform	Post reform	% change
Beer	2267 77	790 74	65 13
Wine	778 98	133 09	82 91
Spirits	1781 28	885 73	50 28
Motoring	505 75	498 89	1 36
Petrol	3989 07	3958 35	77
Cigarettes	5249 34	5495 91	4 70
Pipe Tobacco	110 70	120 60	8 95
Other Tobacco	112 51	125 74	11 76
Total Excise	14795 40	12009 06	18 83

FIGURE 5

VAT - Commodity Groups			
	Pre-reform	Post-reform	% change
Beer	1532.42	1532.08	-.02
Wine	462.96	527.21	13.88
Spirits	654.87	680.55	3.92
Food	2692.57	2644.33	-1.79
Fuel	.00	.00	.00
Clothing	2105.71	2192.10	4.10
HH Services	2367.89	2303.55	-2.72
Pers G & S	1135.59	1193.71	5.12
Leisure Good	1267.30	1206.92	-4.76
Fares	381.64	379.73	-.50
Tobacco	1115.98	1172.44	5.06
Motoring	1697.14	1659.17	-2.24
Petrol	1153.70	1144.81	-.77
Leisure Serv	2561.22	2480.73	-3.14
Durables	2280.02	2280.02	.00
Housing	1438.29	1438.29	.00
TOTAL	22847.29	22835.63	-.05

FIGURE 6

National Expenditure Predictions Commodity Groups (£m/annum)			
	Pre-reform	Post-reform	% change
Beer	11749.23	11745.58	-.03
Wine	3549.49	4041.28	13.86
Spirits	5020.50	5217.87	3.93
Food	58541.66	57614.02	-1.58
Fuel	12276.80	11543.65	-5.97
Clothing	19490.48	20349.66	4.41
HH Services	24428.54	23749.17	-2.78
Pers G & S	11145.40	11723.40	5.19
Leisure Good	13918.79	13047.66	-6.26
Fares	11451.40	11457.60	.05
Tobacco	8555.86	8989.39	5.07
Motoring	31409.64	30493.22	-2.92
Petrol	8845.45	8776.50	-.78
Leisure Serv	23160.81	22452.00	-3.06
Durables	17480.39	17480.39	.00
Housing	76297.25	76297.25	.00
TOTAL	337321.70	334978.60	-.69

FIGURE 7

TABLE OF OPTIONS	
1. Select Sample	currently 7149 households
2. Crosstabulations/Histograms	
3. Ranking and Quantiles	
4. Summary Statistics	
5. Data Transformations	
6. Inequality Measures	
7. Output Variables to Text File	
8. Open Spool File	
9. Return to Main Menu	
Enter Option	-