Summary of HER content

A well ordered HER with a substantial number of entries covering the extractive industries including: lead, copper, sandstone, ironstone, limestone, barytes, coal (including early), clay and salt. The county also contains many iron working, bloomery and forging sites but these do not fall within the brief of the Framework.

Apart from the usual OS and AP derived secondary sources, many entries have been extracted, from general field surveys, site assessments, watching briefs, landscape studies and desktop surveys, very few of which may be considered as research directed at extractive industries. In many cases relevant gazetteer data have been extrapolated and entered in full directly into the HER so these ‘grey’ reports are unlikely to be worth our while pursuing any further and where possible they are marked with a * in the bibliography below. Several monographs and other volumes have also been trawled for gobbets of data including some fairly ancient ones. These are listed below though their usefulness is yet to be established in terms of the Framework data base.

Data derived from major archaeological (mine) projects are limited to Tankerville and Snailbeach mines, for which several reports have been prepared and may be useful. The Stiperstones Hills Archaeological Survey may also contain useful material on extractive industries.

Apart from the references to detailed reports, HER entries for mines, quarries and other extractive pits have very general descriptions, few being based on bespoke fieldwork. I suspect that that the 20th century coal industry is also under-represented, though this could be confirmed by someone with more local knowledge.

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**Unlikely to be relevant**


Watson, M D 1992 *Brief for an Archaeological Evaluation of a Relict Industrial Landscape at Shortwood, Telford.*

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Wessex Archaeology 2004 *RAF Cosford, Shropshire: archaeological desk-based assessment.*


**Material from BIAB (unseen by PN)**


(The story of a co-operatively run colliery, drawn from company and union branch records; some details of the physical structures and mining and processing methods)


(Classified list of 4258 books and articles relating to the area of the present-day counties of Cheshire (plus the Wirral part of Merseyside), Derbys, Hereford-Worcester, Leics, Lincs (including S Humberside), Northants, Notts, Shropshire, Staffs, Warks, and West Midlands)

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(A report dealing briefly with the results of repair-driven research on the continuous-type bank of kilns at Knowle in the context of the industry as a whole and with the contrasting evidence from Kiln Leasow three miles along the Edge to the north-west. The work culminated in a series of experimental burns carried out in September 1999. This article is a shortened account of that published in Lime)

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