

Volume 4. Forging an Empire: Bismarckian Germany, 1866-1890 Occupation of Parents of Registered Prostitutes in Berlin (1873)

This table shows that whereas one in five Berlin prostitutes under police supervision in 1872-73 had at least one parent who was a factory worker, almost one in two had a parent who was a craft worker.

Occupation of Parents of Registered Prostitutes in Berlin (1873)

If we disregard the 102 cases in which the parents' occupation is not specified, then we are left with the following occupational categories, ordered according to frequency of occurrence:

Occupation of parents		In percent
Craft work	1015	47.9
Factory work	467	22.0
Minor civil service including private officials	305	14.4
Transportation and trade	222	10.4
Agriculture and gardening	87	4.1
Military	26	1.2
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Source: Hermann Schwabe, "Einblicke in das innere und äußere Leben der Berliner Prostituirten" ["Insights into the Personal and Public Lives of Prostitutes in Berlin"], *Berliner Städtisches Jahrbuch für Volkswirtschaft und Statistik* [*Berlin City Almanac for Political Economy and Statistics*] 1 (1874): pp. 60-74, here pp. 62-66.

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