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FOREWORD

Office education curriculum frequently is based on units of instruction determined in many cases by textbook authors or subjective judgments of instructors. The units of instruction may have little relationship to job tasks necessary for gainful employment in office occupations. Therefore, in order to develop relevant curriculum and instructional materials for office occupations education, it is necessary to prepare a list of those job tasks which are required for specific office occupations.

With job opportunities increasing in office occupations, secondary and postsecondary teachers are confronted with a challenge to meet the increased demand for qualified office employees by providing practical instruction to develop specific competencies for gainful employment in office occupations.

A workshop for the purpose of identification of job tasks for entry-level office occupations from research-based materials was held on the University of Northern Iowa Campus, Cedar Falls, Iowa, June 4-8, 1973. The workshop was conducted by the Department of Business Education and Office Administration under a research grant from the Career Education Division, Iowa State Department of Public Instruction.

The final report of the workshop is available in its entirety on microfiche through INFORMS, Department of Public Instruction, Grimes State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319.

This publication is a shortened version of the final report. The tables have been revised to exclude tasks not performed by seventy percent of the respondents in each occupation. The lower percents do not appear to be crucial in the development of curriculum for the office occupations which were included in the project.

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PROCEDURES

Studies by Lamb¹, Lanham², and Perkins³ were used by the workshop participants to identify job tasks for selected entry-level office occupations. The participants compiled a list of tasks from the three studies by combining like tasks and eliminating duplicates.

The job performance tasks indicated in the research were the basis for the selection of the following job classifications: Stenographer, Secretary, Receptionist, General Office Clerk, Clerk Typist, Mail Clerk, Transcribing Machine Operator, Office Machine Operator, and File Clerk.

The job classifications were matched to the job descriptions as listed in Clerical Careers -- (Iowa Job Guide), Iowa Employment Security Commission, 1973, and Standard Terminology for Curriculum and Instruction in Local and State School Systems, U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, 1970.

Since the three studies mentioned above reported results in different ways, the results which were given in percent of respondents were used as stated and the others were converted to percents. Then, if results from all three studies were included, the three percents were totaled and averaged. This average was then used in determining importance of job tasks according to respondents.

Three sets of tables were prepared. Tables I through IX list the percent of respondents performing tasks, arranged in descending order for the following subject matter: typewriter, dictation and transcription, clerical duties, human relations, mailing, communications, office machines and equipment, records management, and computation and financial record-keeping.



¹ Mary Lou Lamb, "The Relevance of Instruction Provided in the Secondary School Stenographic Program to Job Requirements for Beginning Stenographic Positions" (unpublished doctoral dissertation, Indiana University, 1970).

² Frank W. Lanham et al., Development of Task Performance Statements for a New Office and Business Education Learnings System (NOBELS) (Columbus, Ohio: The Center for Vocational and Technical Education, September, 1972).

³ Edward A. Perkins and F. Ross Byrd, A Research Model for Identification of Task and Knowledge Clusters Associated with Performance of Major Types of Office Employees' Work (Pullman: Washington State University, December, 1966).

Tables X through XVIII list the percent of respondents performing tasks, arranged in descending order according to subject matter for the following selected office occupations: Stenographer, Secretary, Receptionist, General Office Clerk, Clerk Typist, Mail Clerk, Machine Transcriber, Office Machine Operator, and File Clerk.

The materials which are indented, without indicating a percent of respondents, in Tables I through XVIII, are sub-tasks which were listed by the workshop participants.

Tables XIX through XXVII list the percent of respondents performing tasks, arranged in descending order according to subject matter areas using a matrix format for the following selected office occupations: Stenographer, Secretary, Receptionist, General Office Clerk, Clerk Typist, Mail Clerk, Machine Transcriber, Office Machine Operator, and File Clerk. The percent of respondents performing tasks below 30 percent was eliminated in Tables XIX through XXVII. Subsequently, the percent of respondents performing tasks below 30 percent was eliminated from the remaining tables for this printed version of the final report, but all tables are available in the complete final report reproduced on microfiche. The lower percents do not appear to be crucial in the development of curriculum for the office occupations which were included in the project.



TABLE I

TYPEWRITING TASKS

Percent responde performi tasks	ents Tasks
91	Operate typewriter Use manual typewriter Use electric typewriter Use executive typewriter
87	Type addresses on envelopes and/or cards
80	Type carbon copies
78	Proofread typewritten copy
74	Erase carbon copies
74	Erase original copies
69	Type and/or rule tabular material (tables, columns, rows of figures)
69	Type labels
69	Type final copy from rough-draft copy
68	Type cards (index cards, file cards, "address finder" cards, library index cards, etc.)
64	Type copy from unarranged copy Type copy from handwritten copy
62	Type fill-ins on duplicated letters or bulletins (form letter etc.)
62	Type manuscripts and/or reports (formal or informal)
61	Type corresponden memos, and other items from rough draft
60	Compose copy at the typewriter



Percent of respondents Tasks performing (arranged in descending order) tasks 55 Type letters Type letters from unarranged copy Type on all kinds of letterheads and paper sizes Type two-page letters Type letters requiring display, technical or numerical data Type business letters in various styles Type business letters using different kinds of punctuation Type letter parts--attention line, subject line, closing lines, reference initials, carbon copy notations, mailing notations, postscript, enclosure ⁻ 4 Type interoffice memorandums 48 Make corrections with correction tape (requires no erasing) 47 Clean typewriter Change ribbon 47 Type preprinted forms 47 Type statistical material 45 Type in outline form 41 Type postal cards 40 Type information on continuous roll tape 34 Type minutes or reports of meetings 33 Type and correct spiral masters (e.g., Ditto masters) . 33 Type legal papers and forms 32 Take dictation at the typewriter (type dictation as employer dictates) 32 Type on printed personnel forms



31

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Type on printed purchase requisitions

Type and correct stencils (Mimeograph process)

TABLE II
DICTATION AND TRANSCRIPTION

Percent of respondents Tasks (arranged in descending order) performing tasks Take dictation in shorthand and transcribe letters and attach-55 ments Take dictation in shorthand and transcribe memos and reports 54 Take dictation in shorthand and transcribe rough drafts 52 Transcribe machine-recorded dictation of letters and attachments 33 Write shorthand (any system) 32 Transcribe machine-recorded dictation for memos 32 Transcribe machine-recorded dictation for rough drafts 31 Transcribe machine-recorded dictation for manuscripts Transcribe machine-recorded dictation for reports 30



TABLE III

CLERIC AL DUTIES

Percent oresponder performing tasks	nts Tasks
95	Use telephone directory
36	Use dictionary
80	Look up names and addresses Make changes in names and addresses as they occur
79	Arrange papers or articles on/or in your own and/or your super-visor's desk
77	Straighten up office
76	Dust office
75	Look over notes and memos for the day
74	Check on supplies (for re-ordering purposes)
73	Make notes for the next day's work
72	Assemble and staple duplicated material
72	Change calendar daily
66	Run errands
65	Order supplies of various kinds for the office (from suppliers or central supply department)
64	Use company manuals
63	Send out notices of any type
62	Use office manuals
51	Compare copy (one copy with another copy)



TABLE III (conrinued)

Factoric of Tasks
Descripting (arranged in descending order)
LESES

- Protect valuable and confidential material
- Leep desks equipped with office supplies (sharpened pencils, ink in pens, etc.)
- 5t Compile periodic reports
- 5: Use T. S. Zip Code Directory
- Get information from various departments needed for correspondence
- Sharge dates on rubber stamps or time stamp machine daily
- 54 Select or order typewriting supplies and equipment (ribbons, erasers, etc.)
- FI Frepare requisitions
- E. Use Dity Directory
- 51 Select or order proper typewriting paper and carbon paper
- M Mistribute supplies
- 45 Count stems
- Laspect material recieved for completeness, damages, etc.
- ise other reference books or manuals not listed here
- 44 Make change
- 41 Impress routine forms and requests
- 41 lise mars
- 4. Sather data to fill out questionnaires



TABLE III (continued)

Percent or responder performing tasks	nts Tasks
40	Post noticesupdate bulletin board
39	Check money orders, checks, etc., as to amounts, dates, signatures, etc.
38	Take inventory
37	Get quotations on supplies (from supplier)
37	Use secretarial handbook
37	Dust employer's desk and keep employer's desk neat
35	Review tickler file
35	Route shipments of materials (within office, between departments, etc.)
35	Record daily attendance
35	Update office manual or instruction book for employees
34	Use technical manuals
34	Order and distribute supplies
31	Use U. S. Postal Manual (postage rates, types of mail)
30	Arrange physical layout of office, pictures, furniture, draperies, etc.



TABLE IV

HUMAN RELATIONS

Percent or responder performin tasks	nts Tasks
88	Plan work and decide on priority of work for one's self
78	Direct people to proper offices and act as a guide for visitors
72	Hear and answer customer complaints
70	Greet callers Show tact Show patience Treat all callers and fellow workers or supervisors with respect Exercise good judgment Be discrete about office matters Show enthusiasm Be friendly Be sincere
6 ?	Make employer and client introductions Announce callers in the appropriate manner
53	Remind employer of engagements, dates, things to do, etc.
50	Coordinate with other personnel on various matters for employer
48	Arrange reception room and serve coffee or refreshments to employer, employees, and guests
47	Collect money from office employees for various purposes
44	Plan for and distribute work among other employees and follow up on unfinished work
43	Screen visitors or people who want to see your employer
40	Direct servicemen on service cails



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Tasks

(arranged in descending order)

39 Receive callers

Receive callers courteously and graciously Eandle a long wait Keep a card file of callers to enable recognition Remember names and faces Tactfully interrupt

- 31 Manage office and supervise other employees
- 30 Notify and remind employees of immediately pending meeting
- 30 Counteract false reports which spread in organizations



TABLE T

MATTERS

Percest of respondents performing tasks	Tasas istriger is sescending order)
86 Add:	ress, fill. Lisert and seal letters and then stamp envelopes
73 Open	incoming mail Stamp incoming mail as to date, time) Log incoming mail in regular book)
72 Tak	nail to mail from or mail box
70 Re ad	Make notes in incoming mail which superior should see Attain pertiment correspondence to incoming mail for superior to tefresh his memory Read, indetfine, and ambitate the mail
65 Scr	mail fir ilifferent persons and/or in priority of order)
64 Form	vazi naič
55 Pres	ware and process outgoing mail Mark, attach, or enclose materials for outgoing mail Take mail to rost office Determine use of special mail services Determine classes of mail
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	special mail services Asgisterer, retriffer, and special delivery Sign for registerer mail Fromess requifier, special delivery, COD, and registered mail Have mail registered of retriffed Insure mail Use francing and memality mail Ubiain mailing material from post office (certified and resistered mail stillers, rate sheets, etc.)



Percent of respondents Tasks performing (arranged in descending order) tasks 48 Read outgoing mail to check up on information, etc. 45 Sign boss's mail (his signature) 40 Prepare daily bulk mailings (includes stuffing, sorting, bundling, and/or labeling outgoing bulk mail) Package items for mailing Wrap and tie packages 40 Weigh items and calculate postal rates 38 Purchase postage Purchase money orders 37 Make up mailing list Revise mailing list Check mailing list

Distribute mailing list



TABLE VI

COMMUNICATIONS

Percent of respondents performing tasks

Tasks

(arranged in descending order)

- 95 Use telephone directory
 - Use an alphabetic directory Use a classified directory Use "Information" service
- Place outgoing telephone calls
 Place local telephone calls
 Place long-distance person-to-person calls
 Place long-distance station-to-station calls
 Become familiar with WATS service
 Follow up on written notices for meetings by telephone
 Process reducts by telephone
 Call delinquent customer
 Call doctors, hospitals, police, fire department, and
 insurance carrier in emergencies
 Determine telephone service to be used
 Use proper procedure for direct-distance dialing
- 87 Give information in response to verbal inquiries
- 86 Carry out written or oral orders of instructions or superiors
- Maintain proper records of telephone communication
 Maintain record of long-distance calls
 Maintain record of all long-distance outgoing calls
 Maintain record of important incoming calls
 Use proper procedures for handling telephone messages
 Place telephone memoranda, messages, etc., where employer
 will see them
 Take complete telephone message
- Compose all types o. written correspondence
 Answer requests by typed letters
 Compose memos, responses, and TV commercials
 Send letter/teletype to customer regarding merchandise
 shipment



Percent of respondents Tasks performing (arranged in descending order) tasks 68 Give directions for work to be done by co-workers 62 Make recommendations for improvements in office procedures, routines, etc. 54 Instruct new employees (work procedures, job orientation, etc.) 50 Compose business reports of any kind 49 Compose written directions to co-workers 45 Make engagements and appointments for employer Arrange schedules and patients' appointments Arrange doctor/patient conferences Reschedule appointments 45 Send and receive telegrams and/or cablegrams 43 Handle incoming telephone calls Keep record of local incoming calls Transfer telephon calls to another department Screen employer's calls Handle all telephone calls properly Learn the proper procedures for handling telephone calls Answer phone with proper identification Answer phone promptly Develop an attractive telephone voice Develop an appealing attitude in your voice Terminate calls tactfully



TABLE VII

OFFICE MACHINES AND EQUIPMENT

Percent of respondents performing tasks

Tasks

(arranged in descending order)

- ____
 - 96 Operate typewriter (manual and electric)
 - 70 Operate 10-key adding machine
 - Operate small manual office equipment
 (scissors, paper punch, paper cutter, scotch tape dispenser, copy holder, postal scale, embossing machine, staple remover, staple gun, jogger, lettering guides, razor blades, rulers, compass, protractor, styli, shading plates, date and/or time stamp, rubber stamps, stamp pad, coffee pot, time clock, desks, tables and chairs, file cabinets)
 - 61 Operate calculators
 Change ribbon and tape
 Develop efficient production speed and accuracy
 - Operate copying machines

 Prepare copy correctly

 Make a special master on a dry copy machine

 Make transparencies on a dry copy machine

 Make copies on a wet copy machine

 Make offset masters on a wet copy machine

 Use an electronic stencil cutter
 - 39 Operate rotary calculator
 - 31 Clean and maintain office equipment other than typewriter



TABLE VIII

RECORDS MANAGEMENT

Percent of respondents Tasks performing (arranged in descending order) tasks 90 Locate, remove, and check out materials from files 84 Sort materials for filing Prepare materials for filing 77 Make folders and folder labels for files 75 Search for lost materials 74 Transfer records to inactive files 71 File materials by name of person (alphabetical) 68 Revise files 65 File materials by subject 64 File materials by number 61 Handle classified or confidential files 61 Keep card indexes 57 Dispose of records File materials by chronological order 53 53 Control and manage filing system 53 Select and/or order filing equipment and supplies 50 Handle cross references 49 Keep tickler or follow-up files

File materials by geographical location

Follow up released material



30 Install filing system

Assign file numbers

47

43

34

TABLE IX

COMPUTATION AND FINANCIAL RECORDKEEPING

Percent of responder performing tasks	nts Tasks
95	Was added as
95	Use addition
93	Use subtraction
89	Use multiplication
87	Use division
7.1	Use decima!s
68	Use fractions .
57	Convert decimals to fractions
53	Convert fractions to decimals
46	Compute percentage problems
45	Keep books and/or ledgers for any purpose
44	Make journal entries (any type of journal)
42	Check bills and/or invoices (verify extensions, etc.)
41	Write receipts
40	Keep current files of invoices and purchase orders
37	Compute sales taxes
36	Deposit checks and/or cash in bank or cashier's office
34	Write checks
31	Cash checks



TABLE X

TASKS PERFORMED BY STENOGRAPHERS ARRANGED IN CLUSTERS

Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

Typewriting

- 91 Operate typewriter
 Use manual typewriter
 Use electric typewriter
 Use executive typewriter
- 87 Type addresses on envelopes and/or cards
- 80 Type carbon copies
- 78 Proofread typewritten copy
- 74 Erase carbon copies
- 74 Erase original copies
- 69 Type and/or rule tabular material (tables, columns, rows of figures)
- 69 Type labels individually
- 69 Type final copy from rough-draft copy
- Type cards (index cards, file cards, "address finder" cards, library index cards, etc.)
- Type copy from unarragned copy
 Type copy from handwritten copy
- 62 Type fill-ins on duplicated letters or bulletins (form letter, etc.)
- 62 Type manuscripts and/or reports (formal or informal)



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Stenographer)

Typewriting (Continued)

- Type correspondence, memos, and other items from form and rough draft required by employer
- 60 Compose copy at the typewriter
- Type letters

 Type letters from unarranged copy
 Type on all kinds of letterheads and paper sizes
 Type two-page letters
 Type letters requiring display, technical or numerical data
 Type business letters in various styles
 Type business letters using different kinds of punctuation
 Type letter parts--attention line, subject line, closing
 line, reference initials, carbon copy notations, mailing
 notations, P.S., Enclosure
- Make corrections with correction tape (requires no erasing)
 Realign copy that has been removed from machine
- 47 Clean typewriter Change ribbon
- 47 Type preprinted forms
- 47 Type statistical material
- 45 Type in outline form
- 41 Type postal cards
- Type information on continuous roll tape (gummed back or self-sealing back)
- 34 Type minutes or reports of meetings



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Stenographer)

Typewriting (Continued)

- 33 Type and correct spirit masters (e.g., Ditto masters)
- 33 Type legal papers and forms
- 32 Take dictation at the typewriter (type dictation as employer dictates)
- 32 Type on printed personnel forms
- 31 Type and correct stencils (Mimeograph process)
- 30 Type on printed purchase requisitions

Dictation and Transcription

- 55 Take dictation in shorthand and transcribe letters and attachments
- 54 Take dictation in shorthand and transcribe memos and reports
- 52 Take dictation in shorthand and transcribe rough drafts
- 33 Transcribe machine-recorded dictation of letters and attachments
- 32 Write shorthand (any system)
- 32 Transcribe machine-recorded dictation for memos
- 31 Transcribe machine-recorded dictation for rough drafts
 Transcribe machine-recorded dictation for manuscripts
- 30 Transcribe machine-recorded dictation for reports



Percent of respondents performing

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Stenographer)

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Clerical Duties

- Ise telephone directory
- 5: Use dictionary
- SI Look up names and addresses

 Make changes in names and addresses as they occur
- Arrange papers or articles on/or in your own and/or your supervisor's desk
- -- Straighten up office
- It Dust office
- 15 Look over notes and memos for the day
- The Check on supplies (for re-ordering purposes)
- Make notes for the next day's work
- Assemble and staple duplicated material
- bt Rur errands
- Fract supplies of various kinds for the office (from suppliers or central supply office)
- the lise company manuals
- the sens out notices of any type
- : Ise office manuals
- . Compare copy (one copy with another copy)



Percent of respondents performing tasks

44

43

Make change

Process routine forms and requests

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Stenographer)

Clerical Duties (Continued)

60 Protect valuable and confidential material 58 Keep desks equipped with office supplies (sharpened pencils, ink in pens, etc.) 56 Compile periodic reports 56 Use U. S. Zip Code Directory 55 Get information from various departments needed for correspondence 55 Change dates on rubber stamps or time stamp machine daily 54 Select or order typewriting supplies and equipment (ribbons, erasers, etc.) 52 Prepare requisitions 51 Use City Directory 50 Select or order proper typewriting paper and carbon paper 50 Distribute supplies 49 Count items 49 Inspect material received for completeness, damages, etc. 47 Use other reference books or manuals not listed here



Percent of respondents pertorming tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Stenographer)

Clerical Duties (Continued)

- 42 Use maps
- 41 Gather data to fill out questionnaires
- 40 Post notices--update bulletin board
- 39 Check money orders, checks, etc., as to amounts, dates, signatures, etc.
- 38 Take inventory
- 37 Get quotations on supplies (from supplier)
- 37 Use secretarial handbook
- 37 Dust employer's desk and keep employer's desk neat
- Route shipments of materials (within office, between departments, etc.)
- 35 Review tickler file
- 35 Record daily attendance
- 35 Update office manual or instruction book for employers
- 34 Use technical manuals
- 34 Order and distribute supplies
- 31 Use U. S. Postal Manual (postage rates, types of mail)
- Arrange physical layout of office, pictures, furniture, draperies, etc.



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Stenographer)

Human Relations

- Plan work and decide on priority of work for one's self
 Coordinate with other personnel on various matters for employer
- 47 Collect money from office employees for various purposes
- 43 Screen visitors or people who want to see your employer
- 40 Direct servicemen on service calls
- 30 Nowify and remind employees of immediately pending meeting
- 30 Counteract false reports which spread in organizations

Mailing

- 86 Address, fold, insert, and seal letters and then stamp envelopes
- 73 Open incoming mail
 Stamp incoming mail (as to date, time)
 Log incoming mail (in regular book)
- 72 Take mail to mail room or mail box
- 70 Read incoming mail

 Make notes on incoming mail which superior should see
 Attach pertinent correspondence to incoming mail for
 superior to refresh his memory
 Read, underline, and annotate the mail
- 65 Sort mail (for different persons and/or in priority order)
- 64 Forward mail



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters erranged in descending order)

(Sterographer)

Mailing Continued

- Frequence and troccess outgoing mail

 Mark, actain, or enclose materials for outgoing mail

 Take mail to tost office

 Determine use of special mail services

 Determine classes of mail
- The special maid services. Registered, certified, and special selivery
 Sign for registered
 Trocess certified, special delivery, COD, and registered mail
 lims from mail
 The framewing and penalty mail
 The transmissing material from post office (certified and
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- 37 Made im mailling list Remase mailling list Dieto mailling list Distribute mailling list



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Stenographer)

Communications

- 95 Use telephone directory
 Use an alphabetic directory
 Use a classified directory
 Use "Information" service
- Place outgoing telephone calls
 Place local telephone calls
 Place long-distance person-to-person calls
 Place long-distance station-to-station calls
 Become familiar with WATS service
 Follow up on written notices for meetings by telephone
 Process requests by telephone
 Call delinquent customer
 Call doctors, hospitals, police, fire department, and
 insurance carrier in emergencies
 Determine telephone service to be used
 Use proper procedure for direct-distance dialing
- 87 Give information in response to verbal inquiries
- 86 Carry out written or oral orders of instructions of superiors
- Maintain proper records of telephone communication
 Maintain record of long distance calls
 Maintain record of all long-distance outgoing calls
 Maintain record of important incoming calls
 Use proper procedures for handling telephone messages
 Place telephone memoranda, messages, etc., where employer
 will see them
 Take complete telephone message
- Compose all types of written correspondence
 Answer requests by typed letters
 Compose memos, responses, and TV commercials
 Send letter/teletype to customer regarding merchandise shipment



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Stenographer)

Communications (Continued)

- 68 Give directions for work to be done by co-workers
- Make recommendations for improvements in office procedures, routines, etc.
- Instruct new employees (work procedures, job orientation, etc.)
- 50 Compose business reports of any kind
- 49 Compose written directions to co-workers
- 45 Make engagements and appointments for employer
 Arrange schedules and patients' appointments
 Arrange doctor/patient conferences
 Reschedule appointments
- 45 Send and receive telegrams and/or cablegrams
- Handle incoming telephone calls

 Keep record of local incoming calls

 Transfer telephone calls to another department
 Screen employer's calls

 Handle all telephone calls properly
 Learn the proper procedures for handling telephone calls
 Answer phone with proper identification
 Answer phone promptly
 Develop an attractive telephone voice
 Develop an appealing attitude in your voice
 Terminate calls tactfully

Office Machines and Equipment

96 Operate typewriter (manual & electric)



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Stenographer)

Office Machines and Equipment (Continued)

- 70 Operate 10-key adding machine
- Operate small manual office equipment
 (scissors, paper punch, paper cutter, scotch tape dispenser,
 copy holder, postal scale, embossing machine, staple remover,
 staple gun, jogger, lettering guides, razor blades, rulers,
 compass, protractor, styli, shading plates, date and/or time
 stamp, rubber stamps, stamp pad, coffee pot, time clock,
 desks, tables and chairs, file cabinets)
- 61 Operate calculators
 Change ribbon and tape
 Develop efficient production speed and accuracy
- Operate copying machines
 Prepare copy correctly
 Make a special master on a dry copy machine
 Make transparencies on a dry copy machine
 Make copies on a wet copy machine
 Make offset masters on a wet copy machine
 Use an electronic stencil cutter
- 39 Operate rotary calculator

Records Management

- 90 Locate, romove, and check out materials from files
- 84 Sort materials for filing
 Prepare materials for filing
- 77 Make folders and folder labels for files



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Stenographer)

Records Management (Continued)

75	Search for lost materials
74	Transfer records to inactive files
71	File materials by name of person (alphabetical)
68	Revise files
65	File materials by subject
64	File materials by number
61	Handle classified or confidential files
61	Keep card indexes
57	Dispose of records
53	File materials by chronological order
53	Control and manage filing system
53	Select and/or order filing equipment and supplies
50	Handle cross references
49	Keep tickler or follow-up files
47	File materials by geographical location
43	Follow up released material
34	Assign file numbers
30	Install filing system



TABLE X (continued)

Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Stenngrapher)

Computation and Financial Recordkeeping

- 95 Use addition
- 93 Use subtraction
- 89 Use multiplication
- 87 Use division
- 77 Use decimals
- 68 Use fractions
- 57 Convert decimals to fractions
- 53 Convert fractions to decimals
- 46 Compute percentage problems
- 45 Keep books and/or ledgers for any purpose
- 44 Make journal entries (any type of journal)
- 42 Check bills and/or invoices (verify extensions, etc.)
- 41 Write receipts
- 40 Keep current files of invoices and purchase orders
- 37 Compute sales taxes
- 36 Deposit checks and/or cash in bank or cashier's office
- 34 Write checks
- 31 Cash checks



TABLE XI

TASKS PERFORMED BY SECRETARIES ARRANGED IN CLUSTERS

The following is a list of tasks performed by Secretaries in addition to those listed for Stenographers in Table X.

Percent of respondents performing

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

tasks

Human Relations

- 78 Direct people to proper offices and act as a guide for visitors
- 72 Hear and arswer customer complaints
- 70 Greet callers

Show tact

Show patience

Treat all callers and fellow workers or supervisors with

respect

Excercise good judgment

Be discrete about office matters

Show enthusiasm

Be friendly

Be sincere

- 67 Make employer and client introductions Announce callers in the appropriate manner
- 53 Remind employer of engagements, dates, things to do, etc.
- 48 Arrange reception room and serve coffee or refreshments to employer, employees, and guests
- 44 Plan for and distribute work among other employees and follow up on unfinished work



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

- Receive callers
 Receive callers courteously and graciously
 Handle a long wait
 Keep a card file of callers to enable recognition
 Remember names and faces
 Tactfully interrupt
- 31 Manage office and supervise other employees

Communications

None



TABLE XII

TASKS PERFORMED BY RECEPTIONISTS ARRANGED IN CLUSTERS

Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

Typewriting

- 80 Type carbon copies
- 69 Type and/or rule tabular material (tables, columns, rows of figures)
- 64 Type copy from unarranged copy
 Type copy from handwritten copy
- 60 Compose copy at the typewriter
- 55 Type letters

Type letters from unarranged copy

Type on all kinds of letterheads and paper sizes

Type two-page letters

Type letters requiring display, technical or numerical

data

Type business letters in various styles

Type business letters using different kinds of punctuation

Type letter parts--attention line, subject line, closing lines, reference initials, carbon copy notations, mail-

ing notations, P.S., Enclosure

47 Type statistical material

Dictation and Transcription

- 33 Transcribe machine-recorded dictation of letters and attachments
- 32 Transcribe machine-recorded dictation for memos



Percent of responder overforming tasks	ts Task Clusters
31	Transcribe machine-recorded dictation for rough drafts Transcribe machine-recorded dictation for manuscripts
30	Transcribe machine-recorded dictation for reports
	Clerical Duties
95	Use telephone directory
86	Use dictionary
80	Look up names and addresses Make changes in names and addresses as they occur
75	Look over notes and memos for the day
73	Make notes for the next day's work
72	Assemble and staple duplicated material
66	Run errands
64	Use company manuals
63	Send out notices of any type
62	Use office manuals
56	Compile periodic reports
56	Use U.S. Zip Code Directory
55	Get information from various departments needed for corresponde
55	Change dates on rubber stamps or time stamp machine daily



Percent of respondents performing

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Receptionist)

Clerical Duties (Continued)

- 51 Use City Directory
- 45 Court items
- Use other reference books or manuals not listed here
- 43 Process routine forms and requests
- 41 Use maps
- 4. Gather data to fill out questionnaires
- 47 Post notices--update bulletin board
- F Use secretarial handbook
- 35 Review tickler file
- 15 Record daily attendance
- 35 Update office manual or instruction book for employees
- 34 Use technical manuals
- 3. Use U.S. Postal Manual (postage rates, types of mail)

Human Relations

- 55 Flam work and decide on priority of work for one's self
- Threat people to proper offices and act as a guide for visitors



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Receptionist)

Human Relations (Continued)

- 72 Hear and answer customer complaints
- 70 Greet callers
 Show tact
 Show patience
 Treat all callers and fellow workers or supervisors with
 respect
 Excercise good judgment
 Be discrete about office matters
 Show enthusiasm
 Be friendly
 Be sincere
- Make employer and client introductions
 Announce callers in the appropriate manner
- Remind employer of engagements, dates, things to do, etc.
- 50 Coordinate with other personnel on various matters for employer
- Arrange reception room and serve coffee or refreshments to employer, employees, and guests
- 47 Collect money from office employees for various purposes
- 43 Screen visitors or people who want to see your employer
- 40 Direct servicemen on service calls
- Receive callers
 Receive callers courteously and graciously
 Handle a long wait
 Keep a card file of callers to enable recognition
 Remember names and faces
 Tactfully interrupt



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Receptionist)

Human Relations (Continued)

- 30 Notify and remind employees of immediately pending meeting
- 30 Counteract false reports which spread in organizations

Mailing

- 86 Address, fold, insert, and seal letters and them stamp envelopes
- 73 Open incoming mail

 Stamp incoming mail (as to date, time)
 Log incoming mail (in regular book)
- 72 Take mail to mail room or mail box
- 70 Read incoming mail

 Make notes on incoming mail which superior should see

 Attac: pertinent correspondence to incoming mail for

 superior to refresh his memory

 Read, underline, and annotate the mail
- 65 Sort mail (for different persons and/or in priority order)
- 64 Forward mail
- Prepare and process outgoing mail

 Mark, attach, or enclose materials for outgoing mail

 Take mail to post office

 Determine use of special mail services

 Determine classes of mail



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Receptionist)

Mailing (Continued)

Use special mail services. Registered, certified, and special delivery.

Sign for registered mail

Process certified, special delivery, COD, and registered mail

Have mail registered or certified

Insure mail

Use franking and penalty mail

Obtain mailing materials from post office (certified and registered mail stickers, rate sheets, etc.)

- 45 Sign boss's mail (his signature)
- Prepare bulk mailings (includes stuffing, sorting, bundling, and/or labeling outgoing bulk items)

 Package items for mailing

 Wrap and tie packages
- 40 Weigh items and calculate postal rates
- 38 Purchase postage
 Purchase money orders
- 37 Make up mailing list
 Revise mailing list
 Check mailing list
 Distribute mailing list

Communications

95 Use telephone directory
Use an alphabetic directory
Use a classified directory
Use "Information" service



Percent of respondents performing

Task Clusters

(Receptionist)

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Communications lottimued)

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Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Receptionist)

Communications (Continued)

- 68 Give directions for work to be done by co-workers
- Make recommendations for improvements in office procedures, routines, etc.
- Instruct new employees (work procedures, job orientation, etc.)
- 50 Compose business reports of any kind
- 49 Compose written directions to co-workers
- 45 Make engagements and appointments for employer
 Arrange schedules and patients' appointments
 Arrange doctor/patient conferences
 Reschedule appointments
- 45 Send and receive telegrams and/or cablegrams

Office Machines and Equipment

- 96 Operate typewriter (manual and electric)
- 70 Operate 10-key adding machine
- Operate small manual office equipment
 (scissors, paper punch, paper cutter, scotch tape dispenser, copy holder, postal scale, embossing machine, staple remover, staple gun, jogger, lettering guides, razor blades, rulers, compass, protractor, styli, shading plates, date and/or time stamp, rubber stamps, stamp pad, coffee pot, time clock, desks, tables and chairs, file cabinets)



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Receptionist)

Office Machines and Equipment (Continued)

- Operate calculators
 Change ribbon and tape
 Develop efficient production speed and accuracy
- Operate copying machines
 Prepare copy correctly
 Make a special master on a dry copy machine
 Make transparencies on a dry copy machine
 Make copies on a wet copy machine
 Make offset masters on a wet copy machine
 Use an electronic stencil cutter
- 39 Operate rotary calculator

Records Management

- 90 Locate, remove, and check out materials from files
- 84 Sort materials for filing
 Prepare materials for filing
- 77 Make folders and folder labels for files
- 75 Search for lost materials
- 71 File materials by name of person (alphabetical)
- 68 Revise files
- 65 File materials by subject



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Receptionist)

Records Management (Continued)

- 64 File materials by number
- 61 Keep card indexes
- 57 Dispose of records
- 53 File materials by chronological order
- 50 Handle cross references
- 49 Keep tickler or follow-up files
- 47 File materials by geographical location
- 43 Follow up released material
- 34 Assign file numbers

Computaion and Financial Recordkeeping

- 95 Use addition
- 93 Use subtraction
- 89 Use multiplication
- 87 Use division
- 77 Use decimals
- 68 Use fractions



Percent of respondnets performing tasks

Task Clusters
(arranged in descending order)

(Receptionist)

Computation and Financial Recordkeeping (Continued)

57	Convert decimals to fractions
53	Convert fractions to decimals
46	Compute percentage problems
45	Keep books and/or ledgers for any purpose
44	Make journal entries (any type of journal)
42·	Check bills and/or invoices (verify extensions, etc.)
41	Write receipts
37	Compute sales taxes
36	Deposit chacks and/or cash in bank or cashier's office
34	Write checks
31	Cash checks



TABLE XIII

TASKS PERFORMED BY GENERAL OFFICE CLERKS ARRANGED IN CLUSTERS

Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

Typewriting

- 91 Operate typewriter
 Use manual typewriter
 Use electric typewriter
 Use executive typewriter
- 87 Type addresses on envelopes and/or cards
- 80 Type carbon copies
- 78 Proofread typewritten copy
- 74 Erase carbon copies
- 74 Erase original copies
- Type and/or rule tabular material (tables, columns, rows of figures)
- 69 Type labels individually
- 69 Type final copy from rough-draft copy
- Type cards (index cards, file cards, "address finder" cards, library index cards, etc.)
- 64 Type copy from unarranged copy
 Type copy from handwritten copy
- Type fill-ins on duplicated letters or bulletins (form letter, etc.)
- 62 Type manuscripts and/or reports (formal or informal)



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (General Office Clerks) (arranged in descending order)

Typewriting (Continued)

- Type correspondence, memos, and other items from form and rough draft required by employer
- 60 Compose copy at the typewriter
- Type letters from unarranged copy

Type on all kinds of letterheads and paper sizes
Type two-page letters
Type letters requiring display, technical or numerical data
Type business letters in various styles
Type business letters using different kinds of punctuation

Type letter parts—attention line, subject line. closing lines, reference initials, carbon copy notations, mailing notations, P.S., Enclosure

- Make corrections with correction tape (requires no erasing)
 Realign copy that has been removed from machine
- 47 Clean typewriter Change ribbon
- 47 Type preprinted forms
- 47 Type statistical material
- 45 Type in outline form
- 41 Type postal cards
- Type information on continuous roll tape (gummed back or self-sealing back)
- 34 Type minutes or reports of meetings



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (General Office Clerks) (arranged in descending order)

Typewriting (Continued)

- 33 Type and correct spirit masters (e.g., Ditto masters)
- 33 Type legal papers and forms
- 32 Type on printed personnel forms
- 31 Type and correct stencils (Mimeograph process)
- 30 Type on printed purchase requisitions

Dictation and Transcription

- 55 Take dictation in shorthand and transcribe letters and attachments
- 54 Take dictation in shorthand and transcribe memos and reports
- 52 Take dictation in shorthand and transcribe rough drafts
- 33 Transcribe machine-recorded dictation of letters and attachments
- 32 Write shorthand (any system)
- 32 Franscribe machine-recorded dictation for memos
- 31 Transcribe machine-recorded dictation for rough drafts
 Transcribe machine-recorded dictation for manuscripts
- 30 Transcribe machine-recorded dictation for reports



Percent of respondents performing tasks

76

Task Clusters (General Office Clerk) (arranged in descending order)

Clerical Duties

- 95 Use telephone directory 86 Use dictionary 80 Look up names and addresses Make changes in names and addresses as they occur 79 Arrange papers or articles on/or in your own and/or your supervisor's desk 77 Straighten up office
- Dust office
- 75 Look over notes and memos for the day
- 74 Check on supplies (for re-ordering purposes)
- 73 Make notes for the next day's work
- 72 Assemble and staple duplicated material
- 72 Change calendar daily
- 66 Run errands
- 65 Order supplies of various kinds for the office (from suppliers or central supply department)
- 64 Use company manuals
- 63 Send out notices of any type
- 62 Use office manuals
- 61 Compare copy (one copy with another copy)



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (General Office Clark (arranged in descending order)

Clerical Duties (Continued)

Protect valuable and confidential material 60 Keep desks equipped with office supplies (sharpened pencils. 58 ink in pens, etc.) Compile periodic reports 56 56 Use U. S. Zip Code Directory Get information from various departments needed for correspon-55 dence Change dates on rubber stamps or time stamp machine daily 55 Select or order typewriting supplies and equipment (ribbons, 54 erasers, etc.) 52 Prepare requisitions 51 Use City Directory Select or order proper typewriting paper and carbon paper 50 50 Distribute supplies 49 Count items Inspect material received for completeness, damages, etc. 49 Use other reference books or manuals not listed here 47



Make change

Process routine forms and requests

44

43

Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (General Office Clerk) (arranged in descending order)

Clerical Duties (Continued)

- 41 ise maps
- 41 Gather data to fill out questionnaires
- 41 Fost notices--update bulletin board
- 29 Check money orders, checks, etc., as to amounts, dates, signatures, etc.
- 38 Take inventory
- 37 Get quotations on supplies (from supplier)
- I'se secretarial handbook
- Dust employer's desk and keep employer's desk neat
- Route shipments of materials (within office, between departments, etc.)
- Markey tickler file
- 35 Record daily attendance
- 35 Theate office manual or instruction book for employees
- 34 Tse technical manuals
- 34 Order and distribute supplies
- J. Tse T. S. Postal Manual (postage rates, types of mail)
- 5. Arrange physical layout of office, pictures, furniture, draperies, etc.



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (General Office Clerk) (arranged in descending order)

Human Relations

- 88 Plan work and decide on priority of work for one's self
- 78 Direct people to proper offices and act as a guide for visitors
- 72 Hear and answer customer complaints
- 70 Greet callers
 Show tact
 Show patience
 Treat all callers and fellow workers or supervisors with respect
 Exercise good judgment
 Be discrete about office matters
 Show enthusiasm
 Be friendly
 Be sincere
- 67 Make employer and client introductions
 Announce callers in the appropriate manner
- Remind employer of engagements, dates, things to do, etc.
- 50 Coordinate with other personnel on various matters for employer
- Arrange reception room and serve coffee or refreshments to employer, employees, and guests
- 47 Collect money from office employees for various purposes
- 43 Screen visitors or people who want to see your employer
- 40 Direct servicemen on service calls



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (General Office Clerk) (arranged in descending order)

Human Relations (Continued)

- Receive callers
 Receive callers courteously and graciously
 Handle a long wait
 Keep a card file of callers to enable recognition
 Remember names and faces
 Tactfully interrupt
- 30 Notify and remind employees of immediately pending meeting
- 30 Counteract false reports which spread in organizations

Mailing

- 86 Address, fold, insert, and seal letters and then stamp envelopes
- Open incoming mail
 Stamp incoming mail (as to date, time)
 Log incoming mail (in regular book)
- 72 Take mail to mailroom or mail box
- 70 Read incoming mail

 Make notes on incoming mail which superior should see

 Attach pertinent correspondence to incoming mail for superior

 to refresh his memory

 Read, underline, and annotate the mail
- 65 Sort mail (for different persons and/or in priority order)
- 64 Forward mail



Percent of respondencs performing tasks

52

Task Clusters (General Office Clerk)
(arranged in descending order)

Mailing (Continued)

- Prepare and process outgoing mail

 Mark, attach, or enclose materials for outgoing mail

 Take mail to post office

 Determine use of specia! mail services

 Determine classes of mail
- delivery.

 Sign for registered mail

 Process certifiec, special delivery, COD, and registered mail

 Have mail registered or certified

 Insure mail

 Use franking and penalty mail

 Obtain mailing material from post office (certified and registered mail stickers, rate sheets, etc.)

Use special mail services. Registered, certified, and special

- 48 Read outgoing mail to check up on information, etc.
- 45 Sign boss's mail (his signature)
- Prepare daily bulk mailings (includes stuffing, sorting, bundling, and/or labeling outgoing bulk mail)

 Package items for mailing

 Wrap and tie packages
- 40 Weigh items and calculate postal rates
- 38 Purchase postage
 Purchase money orders
- 37 Make up mailing list
 Revise mailing list
 Check mailing list
 Distribute mailing list



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Percent of respondents Task Plusters (General Office Clerk) describing attempt it descending order) tasks

Communications

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 use 'loggrowtice' service
- Flags outgoing telephone calls
 Flace local telephone calls
 Flace long-distance person-to-person calls
 Flace long-distance station-to-station calls
 Recome cambinar with WATS service
 Follow on on written notices for meetings by telephone
 Forcess peduests by telephone
 Jabl belinquest customer
 Call operors, bostitals, police, fire department, and insurance carrier in emergencies
 Determine calsinome service to be used
 Use proper traceoure for direct-distance dialing
- 37 Tube information in response to verbal inquiries
- So plants out written it itsl brokens of instructions of superiors
- Maintain trader records of telephone communication

 Maintain record of long distance calls

 Maintain record of all long-distance outgoing calls

 Maintain record of important incoming calls

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 Answer requests by typed letters
 Commissionemis, responses, and TV commercials
 Sent letter teletype to customer regarding merchandise
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Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (General Office Clerk) (arranged in descending order)

(Continued)

- 68 Give directions for work to be done by co-workers
- Make recommendations for improvements in office procedures, routines, etc.
- Instruct new employees (work procedures, job orientation, etc.)
- 50 Compose business reports of any kind
- 49 Compose writt n directions to co-workers
- 45 Make engagements and appointments for employer
 Arrange schedules and patients' appointments
 Arrange doctor/patient conferences
 Reschedule appointments
- 45 Send and receive telegrams and/or cablegrams
- Handle incoming telephone calls

 Keep record of local incoming calls

 Transfer telephone calls to another department

 Screen employer's calls

 Handle all telephone calls properly

 Learn the proper procedures for handling telephone calls

 Answer phone with proper identification

 Answer phone promptly

 Develop an attractive telephone voice

 Develop an appealing attitude in your voice

 Terminate calls cactfully

Office Machines and Equipment

96 Operate typewriter (manual & electric)



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (General Office Clerk) (arranged in descending order)

Office Machines and Equipment (Continued)

- 70 Operate 10-key adding machine
- Operate small manual office equipment
 (scissors, paper punch, paper cutter, scotch tape dispenser,
 copy holder, postal scale, embossing machine, staple remover,
 staple gun, jogger, lettering guides, razor blades, rulers,
 compass, protractor, styli, shading plates, date and/or time
 stamp, rubber stamps, stamp pad, coffee pot, time clock,
 desks, tables and chairs, file cabinets)
- Operate calculators
 Change ribbon and tape
 Develop efficient production speed and accuracy
- Operate copying machines
 Prepare copy correctly
 Make a special master on a dry copy machine
 Make transparencies on a dry copy machine
 Make copies on a wet copy machine
 Make offset masters on a wet copy machine
 Use an electronic stencil cutter
- 39 Operate rotary cal clator
- 31 Clean and maintain office equipment other than typewriter

Records Management

- 90 Locate, remove, and check out materials from files
- 84 Sort materials for filing Prepare materials for filing



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (General Orfice Clerk)

(arranged in descending order)

Records Management (Continued)

77	Make folders and folder labels for files
75	Search for lost materials
74	Transfer records to inactive files
71	File materials by name of person (alphabetical)
68	Revise files
65	File materials by subject
64	File materials by number
61	Handle classified or confidential files
61	Keep card indexes
57	Dispose of records
53	File materials by chronological order
53	Control and manage filing system
53	Select and/or order filing equipment and supplies
50	Handle cross-references
49	Keep tickler or follow-up files
47	File materials by geographical location
43	Follow up released material



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (General Office Clerk)
(arranged in descending order)

(arranged in descending order

Records Management (Continued)

- 34 Assign file numbers
- 30 Install filing system

Computation and Financial Recordkeeping

- 95 Use addition
- 93 Use subtraction
- 89 Use multiplication
- 87 Use division
- 77 Use decimals
- 68 Use fractions
- 57 Convert decimals to fractions
- 53 Convert fractions to decimals
- 46 Compute percentage problems
- 45 Keep books and/or ledgers for any purpose
- 44 Make journal entries (any type of journal)
- 42 Check bills and/or invoices (verify extensions, etc.)
- 41 Write receipts



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (General Office Clerk)

(arranged in descending order)

Computation and Financial Recordkeeping (Continued)

- 40 Keep current files of invoices and purchase orders
- 37 Compute sales taxes
- 36 Deposit checks and/or cash in bank or cashier's office
- 34 Write checks
- 31 Cash checks



TABLE XIV

TASKS PERFORMED BY CLERK TYPISTS ARRANGED IN CLUSTERS

Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

Typewriting

- 91 Operate typewriter
 Use manual typewriter
 Use electric typewriter
 Use executive typewriter
- 87 Type addresses on envelopes and/or cards
- 80 Type carbon copies
- 78 Proofread typewritten copy
- 74 Erase carbon copies
- 74 Erase original copies
- 69 Type and/or rule tabular material (tables, columns, rows of figures)
- 69 Type labels individually
- 69 Type final copy from rough-draft copy
- Type cards (index cards, file cards, "address finder" cards, library index cards, etc.)
- Type copy from unarranged copy

 Type copy from handwritten copy
- Type fill-ins on duplicated letters or bulletins (form letter, etc.)



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Clerk Typists)

Typewriting (Continued)

- 62 Type manuscripts and/or reports (formal or informal)
- Type correspondence, memos, and other items from form and rough draft required by employer
- 60 Compose copy at the typewriter
- 55 Type letters

Type letters from unarranged copy

Type on all kinds of letterheads and paper sizes

Type two-page letters

Type letters requiring display, technical, or numerical data

Type business letters in various styles

Type business letters using different kinds of punctuation

Type letter parts—attention line, subject line, closing lines, reference initials, carbon copy notations, mailing notations, P.S., Enclosure

- Make corrections with correction tape (requires no erasing)
 Realign copy that has been removed from machine
- 47 Clean typewriter Change ribbon
- 47 Type preprinted forms
- 47 Type statistical material
- 45 Type in outline form
- 41 Type postal cards
- Type information on continuous roll tape (gummed back or self-sealing back)



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Clerk Typists)

Typewriting (Continued)

- 34 Type minutes or reports of meetings
- 33 Type and correct spirit masters (e.g., Ditto masters)
- 33 Type legal papers and forms
- 32 Type on printed personnel forms
- 31 Type and correct stencils (Mimecgraph process)
- 30 Type on printed purchase requisitions

Dictation and Transcription

- 33 Transcribe machine-recorded dictation of letters and attachments
- 32 Transcribe machine-recorded dictation for memos
- 31 Transcribe machine-recorded dictation for rough drafts
 Transcribe machine-recorded dictation for manuscripts
- 30 Transcribe machine-recorded dictation for reports

Clerical Duties

- 95 Use telephone directory
- 86 Use dictionary



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Clerk Typists

Clerical Duties (Continued)

80	Look up names and addresses Make changes in names and addresses as they occur
79	Arrange papers or articles on/or in your own and/or your supervisor's desk
77	Straighten up office
76	Dust office
75	Look over notes and memos for the day
74	Check on supplies (for re-ordering purposes)
73	Make notes for the next day's work
7 2	Assemble and staple duplicated material
7 2	Change calendar daily
66	Run errands
64	Use company manuals
63	Send out notices of any type
62	Use office manuals
61	Compare copy (one copy with another copy)
60	Protect valuable and confidential material
58	Keep desks equipped with office supplies (sharpened pennils ink in pens. etc.)



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Clerk Typists)

Clerical Duties (Continued)

- 5t Use U.S. Zip Code Directory
- 55 Get information from various departments needed for correspondence
- 55 Change dates on rubber stamps or time stamp machine daily
- FI Prepare requisitions
- 51 Use City Directory
- 50 Distribute supplies
- 45 Count items
- Inspect material received for completeness, damages, etc.
- Tse other reference books or manuals not listed here
- -4 Make change
- -Fracess routine forms and requests
- 41 Use maps
- 42 Gather data to fill out questionnaires
- 48 Post notices--update bulletin boards
- Theck money orders, checks, etc., as to amounts, dates, signatures, etc.
- 38 Take inventory



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Clerk Typists)

Clerical Duties (Continued)

- 37 Get quotations on supplies (from supplier)
- 37 Use secretarial handbook
- 37 Dust employer's desk and keep employer's desk neat
- 35 Update office manual or instruction book for employees
- 34 Use technical manuals
- 31 Use U.S. Postal Manual (postage rates, types of mail)
- Arrange physical layout of office, pictures, furniture, draperies, etc.)

Human Relations

- 88 Plan work and decide on priority of work for one's self
- 50 Coordinate with other personnel on various matters for employer
- 47 Collect money from office employees for various purposes
- 40 Direct servicemen on service calls
- 30 Notify and remind employees of immediately pending meeting
- 30 Counteract false reports which spread in organizations



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Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Clerk Typists)

Ma:ling

- 86 Address, fold, insert, and seal letters and then stamp envelopes
- Open incoming mail

 Stamp incoming mail (as to date, time)

 Log incoming mail (in regular book)
- 72 Take mail to mail room or mail box
- 70 Read incoming mail

 Make notes on incoming mail which superior should see

 Attach pertinent correspondence to incoming mail for

 superior to refresh his memory

 Read, underline, and annotate the mail
- 65 Sort mail (for different persons and/or in priority order)
- 64 Forward mail
- Prepare and process outgoing mail

 Mark, attach, or enclose materials for outgoing mail

 Take mail to post office

 Determine use of special mail services

 Determine classes of mail
- 52 Use special mail services. Registered, certified, and special delivery.

Sign for registered mail
Process certified, special delivery, COD, and registered
mail

Have mail registered or certified

Insure mail

Use franking and penalty mail

Obtain mailing material from post office (certified and registered mail stickers, rate sheets, etc.)



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Clerk Typists)

Mailing (Continued)

- 48 Read outgoing mail to check up on information, etc.
- 40 Prepare daily bulk mailings (includes stuffing, sorting, bundling, and/or labeling outgoing bulk mail)

 Package items for mailing

 Wrap and tie packages
- 40 Weigh items and calculate postal rates
- 38 Purchase postage
 Purchase money orders
- 37 Make up mailing list
 Revise mailing list
 Check mailing list
 Distribute mailing list

Communications

- 95 Use telephone director,
 Use an alphabetic directory
 Use a classified directory
 Use "Information" services
- Place outgoing telephone calls
 Place local telephone calls
 Place long-distance person-to-person calls
 Place long-distance station-to-station calls
 Become familiar with WATS service
 Follow up on written retices for meetings by telephone
 Process requests by telephone
 Call delinquent customer
 Call doctors, hospitals, police, fire department, and
 insurance carrier in emergencies
 Determine telephone service to be used
 Use proper procedure for direct-distance dialing



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Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Clerk Typists)

Office Machines and Equipment

- 96 Operate typewriter (manual and electric)
- 70 Operate 10-key adding machine
- Operate small manual office equipment
 (scissors, paper punch, paper cutter, scotch tape d_spenser,
 copy holder, postal scale, embossing machine, staple
 remover, staple gun, jogger, lettering guides, razor
 blades, rullers, compass, protractor, styli, shading
 plates, date and/or time stamp, rubber stamps, stamp pad,
 coffee pot, time clock, desks, tables and chairs, file
 cabinets)
- Operate calculators
 Change ribbon and tape
 Develop efficient production speed and accuracy
- Operate copying machines
 Prepare copy correctly
 Make a special master on a dry copy machine
 Make transparencies on a dry copy machine
 Make copies on a wet copy machine
 Make offset masters on a wet copy machine
 Use an electronic stencil cutter
- 39 Operate rotary calculator
- 31 Clean and maintain office equipment other than typewriter

Records Management

90 Locate, remove, and check out materials from files



Percent of respondents performing tasks

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Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Clerk Typists)

Records Management (Continued)

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Bollow up released material

Assign file numbers



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Clerk Typists)

Computation and Financial Recordkeeping

- 95 Use addition
- 93 Use subtraction
- 89 Use multiplication
- 87 Use division
- 77 Use decimals
- 68 Use fractions
- 57 Convert decimals to fractions
- 53 Convert fractions to decimals
- 46 Compute percentage problems
- 45 Keer books and/or ledgers for any purpose
- 44 Make journal entries (any type of journal)
- 42 Check bills and/or invoices (verify extensions, etc.)
- 37 Compute sales taxes



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TABLE XV

TASKS PERFORMED BY MAIL CLERKS ARRANGED IN CLUSTERS

Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

Typewriting

- 91 Operate typewriter
 Use manual typewriter
 Use electric typewriter
 Use executive typewriter
- 87 Type addresses on envelopes and/or cards
- 78 Proofread typewritten copy
- 74 Erase carbon copies
- 74 Erase original copies
- 69 Type labels individually
- Type cards (index cards, file cards, "address finder" cards, library cards, etc.)
- Type fill-ins on duplicated letters or bulletins (form letter, etc.)
- 62 Type manuscripts and/or reports (formal or informal)
- 48 Make corrections with correction tape (requires no erasing)
 Realign copy that has been removed from machine
- 47 Crean typewriter Change ribbon
- 47 Type preprinted forms
- 45 Type in outline form



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Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Mail Clerks)

Typewriting (Continued)

- 41 Type postal cards
- Type information on continuous roll tape (gummed back or self-ealing back)
- 34 Type minutes or reports of meetings
- 32 Type on printed personnel forms
- 30 Type on printed purchase requisitions

Dictation and Transcription

None

Clerical Duties

- 95 Use telephone directory
- 86 Use dictionary
- 80 Look up names and addresses

 Make changes in names and addresses as they occur
- 79 Arrange papers or articles on/or in your own and/or vour supervisor's desk
- 77 Straighten up office
- 76 Dust office



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Mail Clerks)

Clerical Duties (Continued)

75	Look over notes and memos for the day
74	Check on supplies (for re-ordering purposes)
73	Make notes for the next day's work
72	Assemble and staple duplicated material
72	Change calendar daily
66	Run errands
64	Use company manuals
63	Send out notices of any type
62	Use office manuals
61	Compare copy (one copy with another copy)
60	Protect valuable and confidential material
58	Keep desks equipped with office supplies (sharpened pencils, ink in pens, etc.)
56	Compile periodic reports
56	Use U.S. Zip Code Directory
55	Get information from various departments needed for correspondence
55	Change dates on rubber stamps or time stamp machine daily
5.2	Prepare requisitions



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Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Mail Clerks)

Clerical Duties (Continued)

- 51 Use City Directory
- 50 Distribute supplies
- 49 Count items
- Inspect material received for completeness, damages, etc.
- 47 Use other reference books or manuals not listed here
- 44 Make change
- 42 Use maps
- 40 Post notices--update bulletin board
- 39 Check money orders, checks, etc., as to amounts, dates, signatures, etc.
- 38 Take inventory
- 37 Use secretarial handbook
- 37 Dust employer's desk and keep employer's desk neat
- Route shipments of materials (within office, between departments, etc.)
- 35 Review tickler file
- 35 Record daily attendance
- 34 Use technical manuals





Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Mail Clerks)

Clerical Duties (Continued)

- 31 Use U.S. Postal Manual (postage rates, types of mail)
- Arrange physical layout of office, pictures, furniture, draperies, etc.

Human Relations

- Plan work and decide on priority of work for one's self
- 50 Coordinate with other personnel on various matters for employer
- 47 Collect money from office employees for various purposes
- 40 Direct servicemen on service calls
- 30 Counteract false reports which spread in organizations

Mailing

- 86 Address, fold, insert, and seal letters and then stamp envelopes
- 73 Open incoming mail
 Stamp incoming mail (as to date, time)
 Log incoming mail (in regular book)
- 72 Take mail to mail room or mail box
- 65 Sort mail (for different persons and/or in priority order)
- 64 Forward mail



Percent of respondents performing tasks

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Mailing (Continued)

- Prepare and process outgoing mail

 Mark, attach, or enclose materials for seigning mail

 Take mail to pot office

 Determine use of special mail services

 Determine classes of mail
- Use special mail services. Registered, sertified and suggested delivery.

 Sign for registered mail

 Process certified, special delivery, DCP, and registered mail

 Have mail registered or certified

 Insure mail

 Use franking and penalty mail

 Chain mailing material from post office restanced and registered mail stickers, rate special and
- 40 Prepare daily bulk mailings (includes stuffings setting bundling, and/or labeling outgoing bulk mailing Package items for mailing Wrap and tis mackages
- 40 Weigh items and carculate postal rates
- 38 Purchase postage
 Purchase money orders
- 37 Make up mailing list
 Revise mailing list
 Check mailing list
 Distribute mailing list



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Mail Clerks)

Communications

- Use telephone directory
 Use an alphabetic directory
 Use a classified directory
 Use "Information" services
- Flace outgoing telephone calls

 Place local telephone calls

 Place long-distance person-to-person calls

 Place long-distance station-to-station calls

 Become familiar with WATS service

 Follow up on written notices for meetings by telephone

 Process requests by telephone

 Call delinquent customers

 Call doctors, hospitals, police, fire department, and

 insurance carrier in emergencies

 Determine telephone service to be used

 The proper procedures for direct-distance dialing
- § Give information in response to verbal inquiries
- St Carry out written or oral orders of instructions of superiors
- Maintain proper records of telephone communication
 Maintain record of long-distance calls
 Maintain record of all long-distance outgoing calls
 Maintain record of important incoming calls
 Use proper procedures for handling telephone messages
 Flace telephone memoranda, messages, etc., where employer
 will see them
 Take complete telephone message
- of Give directions for work to be done by co-workers
- Make recommendations for improvements in office procedures, routines, etc.



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Mail Clerks)

Communications (Continued)

- Instruct new employees (work procedures, job orientation, etc.)
- 50 Compose busines reports of any kind
- 49 Compose written directions to co-workers
- 45 Make engagements and appointments for employer
 Arrange schedules and patients' appointments
 Arrange doctor/patient conferences
 Reschedule appointments
- 45 Send and receive telegrams and/or cablegrams
- Handle incoming telephone calls

 Keep record of local incoming calls

 Transfer telephone calls to another department

 Screen employer's calls

 Handle all telephone calls properly

 Learn the proper procedures for handling telephone calls

 Answer phone with proper identification

 Answer phone promptly

 Develop an attractive telephone voice

 Develop an appealing attitude in your voice

 Terminate calls tactfully

Office Machines and Equipment

- 96 Operate typewriter (manual and electric)
- Operate small manual office aquipment
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 copy holder, postal scale, embossing machines, staple
 remover, staple gun, jogger, lettering guides, razor
 blades, rulers, compass, protractor, styli, shading
 plates, date and/or time stamp, rubber stamps, stamp pad,
 coffee pot, time clock, desks, tables and chairs, file
 cabinets)

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Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Mail Clerks)

Office Machines and Equipment (Continued)

31 Clean and maintain office equipment other than typewriter

Records Management

- 90 Locate, remove, and check out materials from files
- Sort materials for filing
 Prepare materials for filing
- 77 Make folders and folder labels for files
- 75 Search for lost materials
- 71 File materials by name of person (alphabetical)
- 68 Revise files
- 65 File materials by subject
- 64 File materials by number
- 61 Keep card indexes
- 57 Dispose of records
- 53 File materials by chronological order
- 50 Handle cross references
- 49 Keep tickler or follow-up files
- 47 File materials by geographical locations



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Cluaters (arranged in descending order)

(Mail Clerks)

Records Management (Continued)

- 43 Follow up released material
- 34 Assign file numbers

Computation and Financial Recordkeeping

- 95 Use addition
- 93 Use subtraction
- 89 Use multiplication
- 87 Use division
- 77 Use decimals
- 68 Use fractions
- 57 Convert decimals to fractions
- 53 Convert fractions to decimals
- Keep books and/or ledgers for any purpose
- 44 Make journal entries (any type of journal)
- 41 Write receipts



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Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (Machine Transcribers) (arranged in descending order)

Typewriting (Continued)

- 60 Compose copy at the typewriter
- Type letters

 Type letters from unarranged copy
 Type on all kinds of letterheads and paper sizes
 Type two-page letters
 Type letters requiring display, technical or numerical data
 Type business letters in various styles
 Type business letters using different kinds of punctuation
 Type letter parts—attention line, subject line, closing
 lines, reference initials, carbon copy notations, mailing
- Make corrections with correction tape (requires no erasing)
 Realign copy that has been removed from wachine

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- 47 Clean typewriter Change ribbon
- 47 Type preprinted forms
- 47 Type statistical material
- 47 Type in outline form
- 41 Type postal cards
- Type information on continuous roll tape (gummed back or self-sealing back)
- 34 Type minutes or reports of meetings
- 33 Type and correct spirit masters (e.g., Ditto masters)



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32	Type in printed personnel forms
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Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (Machine Transcribers)
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Clerical Duties (Continued)

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- 77 Straighten up office
- 76 Dust office
- 75 Look over notes and memos for the day
- 74 Check on supplies (for re-ordering purposes)
- 73 Make notes for the next day's work
- 72 Assemble and staple duplicated material
- 72 Change calendar daily
- 66 Run errands
- 64 Use company manuals
- 63 Send out notices of any type
- 62 Use office manuals
- 61 Compare copy (one copy with another copy)
- 60 Protect valuable and confidential material
- 58 Keep desks equipped with office supplies (sharpened pencils, ink in pens, etc.)
- 56 Compile periodic reports



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Task Clusters (Machine Transcribers) (arranged in descending order)

Clerical Duties (Continued)

- 56 Use U. S. Zip Code Directory
- 55 Get information from various departments needed for correspondence
- 55 Change dates on rubber stamps or time stamp machine daily
- 52 Prepare requisitions
- 51 Use City Directory
- 50 Distribute supplies
- 49 Count itmes
- Inspect material received for completeness, damages, etc.
- 47 Use other reference books or manuals not listed here
- 44 Make change
- 42 Use maps
- 40 Post notices--update bulletin board
- 39 Check money orders, checks, etc., as to amounts, dates, signatures, etc.
- 38 Take inventory
- 37 Use secretarial handbook
- 37 Dust employer's desk and keep employer's desk neat
- 35 Route shipments of materials (within office, between departments, etc.



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Justers (Machine Transcribers) (arranged in descending order)

Clerical Duties (Continued)

- 35 Review tickler file
- 35 Record daily attendance
- 34 Use technical manuals
- 31 Use U. S. Postal Manual (postage rates, types of mail)
- Arrange physical layout of office, pictures, furniture, draperies, etc.

Human Relations

- 88 Plan work and decide on priority of work for one's self
- 50 Coordinate with other personnel on various matters for employer
- 47 Collect money from office employees for various purposes
- 40 Direct servicemen on service calls
- 30 Counteract false reports which spread in organizations

Mailing

- 86 Address, fold, insert, and seal letters and then stamp envelopes
- 72 Take mail to mail room or mail box





Percent of respondents performing tasks

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Task Clusters (Machine Transcribers) (arranged in descending order)

Mailing (Continued)

- . 5 Prepare and process outgoing mail Mark, attach, or enclose materials for outgoing mail Take mail to post office Determine use of special mail services Determine classes of mail
- Use special mail services. Registered, certified, and special delivery. Sign for registered mail Process certified, special delivery, COD, and registered mail Have mail registered for certified Insure mail Use franking and penalty mail
 - Obtain mailing material from post office (certified and registered mail stickers, rate sheets, etc.)
- 45 Read outgoing mail to check up on information, etc.
- 45 Sign boss's mail (his signature)
- 42 Prepare daily bulk mailings (includes stuffing, sorting, bundling, and/or labeling outgoing bulk mail) Package items for mailing Wrap and tie packages
- 45 Weigh items and calculate postal rates
- 35 Purchase postage Purchase money orders
- 3-Make up mailing list Revise mailing list Check mailing list Distribute mailing list



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (Machine Transcribers) (arranged in descending order)

Communications

- 95 Use telephone directory
 Use an alphabetic directory
 Use a classified directory
 Use "Information" service
- Place outgoing telephone calls
 Place local telephone calls
 Place long-distance person-to-person calls
 Place long-distance station-to-station calls
 Become familiar with WATS service
 Follow up on written notices for meetings by telephone
 Process requests by telephone
 Call delinquent customers
 Call doctors, hospitals, police, fire department, and insurance carrier in emergencies
 Determine telephone service to be used
 Use proper procedure for direct-distance dialing
- 87 Give information in response to verbal inquiries
- 86 Carry out written or oral orders of instructions of superiors
- Maintain proper records of telephone communication
 Maintain record of long distance calls
 Maintain record of all long-distance outgoing calls
 Maintain record of important incoming calls
 Use proper procedures for handling telephone messages
 Place telephone memoranda, messages, etc., where employer
 will see them
 Take complete telephone message
- 68 Give directions for work to be done by co-workers
- 62 Make recommendations for improvements in office procedures, routines, etc.



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Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (Machine Transcribers) (arranged in descending order)

Communications (Continued)

- Instruct new employees (work procedures, job orientation, etc.)
- 50 Compose business reports of any kind
- 49 Compose written directions to co-workers
- Handle incoming telephone calls

 Keep record of local incoming calls

 Transfer telephone calls to another department

 Screen employer's calls

 Handle all telephone calls properly

 Learn the proper procedures for handling telephone calls

 Answer phone with proper identification

 Answer phone promptly

 Develop an attractive telephone voice

 Develop an appealing attitude in your voice

 Terminate calls tactfully

Office Machines and Equipment

- 96 Operate typewriter (manual and electric)
- Operate small manual office equipment
 (scissors, paper punch, paper cutter, scotch tape dispenser,
 copy holder, postal scale, embossing machine, staple remover,
 staple gum, jogger, lettering guides, razor blades, rulers,
 compass, protractor, styli, shading plates, date and/or time
 stamp, rubber stamps, stamp pad, coffee pot, time clock,
 desks, tables and chairs, file cabinets)



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (Machine Transcribers)
(arranged in descending order)

Office Machines and Equipment (Continued)

Operate copying machines
Prepare copy correctly
Make a special master on a dry copy machine
Make transparencies on a dry copy machine
Make copies on a wet copy machine
Make offset masters on a wet copy machine
Use an electronic stencil cutter

31 Clean and maintain office equipment other than typewriter

Records Management

- 90 Locate, remove, and check out materials from files
- 84 Sort materials for filing
 Prepare materials for filing
- 77 Make folders and folder labels for files
- 75 Search for lost materials
- 74 Transfer records to inactive files
- 71 File materials by name of person (alphabetical)
- 68 Revise files
- 65 File materials by subject
- 64 File materials by number
- 61 Handle classified or confidential files



Percent of respondents performing tasks

61

Task Clusters (Ma (arranged in descending order)

(Machine Transcribers)

Records Management (Continued)

- 57 Dispose of records
- 53 File materials by chronological order
- 50 Handle cross references

Keep card indexes

- 49 Keep tickler or follow-up files
- 47 File materials by geographical location
- 43 Follow up released material
- 34 Assign file numbers

Computation and Financial Recordkeeping

- 95 Use addition
- 93 Use subtraction
- 89 Use multiplication
- 87 Use division
- 77 Use decimals
- 68 Use fractions
- 57 Convert decimals to fractions
- 53 Convert fractions to decimals



TABLE XVII

TASKS PERFORMED BY OFFICE MACHINE OPERATORS ARRANGED IN CLUSTERS

Percent of respondents performing

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Machine Operators)

Typewriting

- 91 Operate typewriter
 Use manual typewriter
 Use electric typewriter
 Use executive typewriter
- 87 Type addresses on envelopes and/or cards
- 78 Proofread typewritten copy
- 74 Erase carbon copies
- 74 Erase original copies
- 69 Type labels individually
- Type cards (index cards, file cards, "address finder" cards, library index cards, etc.)
- 62 Type manuscripts and/or reports (formal or informal)
- Type fill-ins on duplicated letters or bulletins (form letter, etc.)
- 54 Type interoffice memorandums
- Make corrections with correction tape (requires no erasing)
 Realign copy that has been removed from machine
- 47 Type preprinted forms
- 47 Clean typewriter Change ribbon
- 45 Type in outline form



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Percent	of
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Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Machine Operators)

Typewriting (Continued)

- 41 Type postal cards
- Type information on continuous roll tape (gummed back or self-sealing back)
- 34 Type minutes or reports of meetings
- 33 Type and correct spirit masters (e.g., Ditto masters)
- 32 Type on printer personnel forms
- 31 Type and correct stencils (Mimeograph process)
- 30 Type on printed purchase requisitions

Dictation and Transcription

None

Clerical Duties

- 95 Use telephone directory
- 86 Use dictionary
- 80 Look up names and addresses
 Make changes in names and addresses as they occur
- 79 Arrange papers or arcicles on/or in your own and/or your supervisor's desk



Percent of respondents Task Clusters (Machine Operators) performing (arranged in descending order) tasks		
%	Clerical Duties (Continued)	
77	Straighten up office	
76	Dust office	
75	Look over notes and memos for the day	
74	Check on supplies (for re-ordering purposes)	
73	Make notes for the next day's work	
72	Change calendar daily	
72	Assemble and staple duplicated material	
64	Use company manuals	
63	Send out notices of any type	
62	Use office manuals	
61	Compare copy (one copy with another copy)	
60	Protect valuable and confidential material	
58	Keep desks equipped with office supplies (sharpened pencils, ink in pens, etc.)	
56	Use U. S. Zip Code Directory	
56	Compile periodic reports	
55	Get information from various departments needed for correspondence	
55	Change dates on rubber stamps or time stamp machine daily	



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Machine Operators)

Clerical Duties (Continued)

- 52 Prepare requisitions
- 51 Use city directory
- 50 Distribute supplies
- Inspect material received for completeness, damages, etc.
- 49 Count items
- 47 Use other reference books or manuals not listed here
- 44 Make change
- 42 Use maps
- 40 Post notices--update bulletin board
- 39 Check money orders, checks, etc., as to amounts, dates, signatures, etc.
- 38 Take inventory
- 37 Dust employer's desk and keep employer's desk neat
- 37 Get quotations on supplies (from supplier)
- 37 Use secretarial handbook
- Route shipments of materials (within office, between departments, etc.)
- 35 Review tickler file



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Machine Operators)

Clerical Duties (Continued)

- 35 Record daily attendance
- 34 Use technical manuals
- 31 Use U. S. Postal Manual (postage rates, types of mail)
- 31 Compile reports of all kinds
- Arrange physical layout of office, pictures, furniture, draperies, etc.

Human Relations

- 88 Plan work and decide on priority of work for one ϵ self
- 50 Coordinate with other personnel on various matters for employer
- 47 Collect money from office employees for various purposes
- 40 Direct servicemen on service calls
- 30 Counteract false reports which spread in organizations

Mailing

- Address, fold, insert, and seal letters and then stamp envelopes
- 73 Open incoming mail

 Stamp incoming mail (as to date, time)
 Log incoming mail (in regular book)



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Machine Operators)

Mailing (Continued)

- 72 Take mail to mail room or mail box
- 64 Forward mail
- Prepare and process outgoing mail

 Mark, attach, or enclose materials for outgoing mail

 Take mail to post office

 Determine use of special mail services

 Determine classes of mail
- 55 Pick up incoming and outgoing mail
- Prepare daily bulk mailings (includes stuffing, sorting, bundling, and/or labeling outgoing bulk mail)

 Package items for mailing

 Wrap and tie packages
- 50 Weigh items and calculate postal rates
- 37 Make up mailing list
 Revise mailing list
 Check mailing list
 Distribute mailing list

Communications

95 Use telephone directory
Use an alphabetic directory
Use a classified directory
Use "Information" service



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters
(arranged in descending order)

(Machine Operators)

(Continued)

- Place outgoing telephone calls

 Place local telephone calls

 Place long-distance person-to-person calls

 Place long-distance station-to-station calls

 Become familiar with WATS service

 Follow up on written notices for meetings by telephone

 Process requests by telephone

 Call delinquent customer

 Call doctors, hospitals, police, fire department, and insurance carrier in emergencies

 Determine telephone services to be ded

 Use proper procedure for direct-distance dialing
- 87 Give information in response to verbal inquiries
- 86 Carry out written or oral orders of instructions of superiors
- Maintain proper records of telephone communication
 Maintain record of long-distance calls
 Maintain record of all long-distance outgoing calls
 Maintain record of important incoming calls
 Use proper procedures for handling telephone messages
 Place telephone memoranda, messages, etc., where employer
 will see them
 Take complete telephone messages
- 68 Give directions for work to be done by co-workers
- Make recommendations for improvements in office procedures, routines, etc.
- Instruct new employees (work procedures, job orientation, etc.)
- 50 Compose business reports of any kind



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Machine Operators)

Communications (Continued)

- 49 Compose written directions to co-workers
- 45 Send and receive telegrams and/or cable grams
- Handle incoming telephone calls

 Keep record of local incoming calls

 Transfer telephone calls to another department

 Screen employer's calls

 Handle all telephone calls properly

 Learn the proper procedures for handling telephone calls

 Answer phone with proper identification

 Answer phone promptly

 Develop an attractive telephone voice

 Develop an appealing attitude in your voice

 Terminate calls tactfully

Office Machines and Equipment

- 96 Operate typewriter (manual and electric)
- 76 Operate 10-key adding machine
- Operate small manual office equipment
 (scissors, paper punch, paper cutter, scotch tape dispenser,
 copy holder, postal scale, embossing machine, staple remover,
 staple gun, jogger, lettering guides, razor blades, rulers,
 compass, protractor, styli, shading plates, date and/or time
 stamp, rubber stamps, stamp pad, coffee pot, time clock,
 desks, tables and chairs, file cabinets)
- 61 Change ribbon 1 tape
- 61 Develop efficient production speed and accuracy



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Machine Operators)

Office Machines and Equipment (Continued)

- Operate copying machines
 Prepare copy correctly
 Make a special master on a dry copy machine
 Make transparencies on a dry copy machine
 Make copies on a wet copy machine
 Make offset masters on a wet copy machine
 Use an electronic stencil cutter
- 39 Operate rotary calculater
- 31 Clean and maintain office equipment other than typewriter

Records Management

- 90 Locate, remove, and check out materials from files
- 84 Sort paterials for filing
 Prepare paterials for filing
- 77 Make rolders and folder labels for files
- 75 Search for 1 st materials
- 74 Transfer records to inactive files
- 68 File materials by name of person (alphabetical)
- 68 Revise files
- 65 File materials by subject
- 61 Handle classified or confidential files



Percent of respondents performing

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

Nachine Operators)

tasks

Records Management (Continued)

- 50 File materials by number
- 5-Dispose of records
- 53 File materials by chronological order
- 50 Handle cross references
- ے بے Reep tickler or follow-up files .
- 43 Follow up released material
- 34 Assign file numbers

Computation and Financial Recordkeeping

- 2.5 Use addition
- ÷ : Use subtraction
- ၉၃ Use multiplication
- ٤-Tse division
- Use decimals
- 55 Use fractions
- = -Convert decimals to fractions
- £ : Convert fractions to decimals
- 45 Compute percentage problems



Percent	of									
respondents										
perform	lng									
tasks										

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(Machine Operators)

Computation and Financial Recordkeeping (Continued)

- 45 Keep books and/or ledgers for any purpose
- 44 Make journal entries (any type of journal)
- 42 Check bills and/or invoices (verify extensions, etc.)
- 37 Compute sales taxes



TABLE XVIII

TASKS PERFORMED BY FILE CLERKS ARRANGED BY CLUSTERS

Percent c: respondents performing

tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

Typewriting

- 91 Operate typewriter
 Use manual typewriter
 Use electric typewriter
 Use executive typewriter
- 87 Type addresses on envelopes and/or cards
- 78 Proofread typewritten copy
- 74 Erase carbon copies
- 64 Erase original copies
- 69 Type labels individually
- Type cards (index cards, file cards, "address finder" cards, library index cards, etc.)
- Type fill-ins on duplicated letters or bulletins (form letter, etc.)
- 52 Type manush ipts and/or reports (formal or informal)
- Type in ε; fice memorandums
- ξ Make co.r. gions with correction tape (requires no erasing)
- 47 Type on proprinted forms
- 47 · lean typewriter Change cabbon



Percent	of
responde	ents
perform	ing
tasks	

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(File Clerks)

Typewriting (Continued)

- 45 Type in outline form
- 41 Type postal cards
- Type information on continuous roll tape (gummed back or self-senling back)
- 34 Type minutes or reports of meetings
- 32 Type on printed personnel forms
- 30 Type on printed purchase requisitions

Distation and Transcription

None

Clerical Duties

- 95 Use terephone directory
- 86 Use dictionary
- 80 Look up names and addresses

 Make changes in names and addresses as they occur
- 79 Arrange papers or articles on/or in your own and/or your supervisor's desk



TABLE AVIII gentinued

Percent of
respondents
performing
tasks

Task Clusters arranged to descending order)

(File Clerks)

Clerical Duties

77 Straighten up office Dust office 76 Look over notes and memos for the day 75 74 Check on supplies for re-ordering purposes) 73 Make notes for the next day's work Change calendar daily 72 Assemble and staple duplicated material 72 56 Run errands Use company manuals 64 Send out notices of any type 63 62 Use office manuals 61 Compare copy (one copy with another copy) Protect valuable and confidential material 60 Keep desks equipped with office supplies (sharpened pencils, 58 ink in pens, etc. 56 Compile periodic reports



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Use U.S. Zip Code Directory

Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(File Clerks)

Clerical Duties (Continued)

Get information from various departments needed for correspondence 55 Change dates on rubber stamps or time stamp machine daily 55 52 Prepare requisitions 51 Use City Directory 50 Distribute supplies 49 Inspect material received for completeness, damages, etc. 49 Count items Use other reference books or manuals not listed here 47 44 Make change 42 Use maps Gather data to fill out questionnaires 41 Post notices--update bulletin board 40 Check money orders, checks, etc., as to amounts, dates, 39 signatures, etc. 38 Take inventory Dust employer's desk and keep employer's desk neat 37



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Get quotations on supplies (from supplier)

Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(File Clerks)

Clerical Duties (Continued)

- 37 Use secretarial handbook
- Route shipments of materials (within office, between departments, etc.)
- 35 Review tickler file
- 35 Record daily attendance
- 34 Use technical manuals
- 31 Use U.S. Postal Manual (postage rates, types of mail)
- Arrange physical layout of office, pictures, furniture, draperies, etc.

Human Relations

- 88 Plan work and decide on priority of work for one's self
- 50 Coordinate with other personnel on various matters for employer
- 47 Collect money from office employees for various purposes
- 40 Direct servicemen on service calls
- 30 Counteract false reports which spread in organizations



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(File Clerks)

Communications

- Place outgoing telephone calls

 Place local telephone calls

 Place long-distance person-to-person calls

 Place long-distance station-to-station calls

 Become familiar with WATS service

 Follow up on written notices for meetings by telephone

 Process requests by telephone

 Call delinquent customer

 Call doctors, hospitals, police, fire department, and

 insurance carrier in emergencies

 Determine telephone service to be used

 Use proper procedure for direct-distance dialing
- 68 Give directions for work to be done by co-workers
- Make recommendations for improvements in office procedures, routines, etc.
- Instruct new employees (work procedures, job orientation, etc.)
- 50 Compose business reports of any kind
- 49 Compose written directions to co-workers
- Handle incoming telephone calls

 Keep record of local incoming calls

 Transfer telephone calls to another department

 Screen employer's calls

 Handle all telephone calls properly

 Learn the proper procedures for handling telephone calls

 Answer phone with proper identification

 Answer phone promptly

 Develop an attractive telephone voice

 Develop an appealing attitude in your voice

 Terminate calls tactfully



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(File Clerks)

Office Machines and Equipment

- 95 Operate typewriter (manual and electric)
- Operate small manual office equipment

 (scissors, paper punch, paper cutter, scotch tape dispenser, copy holder, postal scale, embossing machine, staple remover, staple gum, jogger, lettering guides, razor blades, rulers, compass, protractor, styli, shading plates, data and/or time stamp, rubber stamps, stamp pad, coffee pot, time clock, desks, tables and c' irs, file cabinets)
- Operate copying machines
 Prepare copy correctly
 Make a special master on a dry copy machine
 Make transparencies on a dry copy machine
 Make copies on a wet copy machine
 Make offset masters on a wet copy machine
 Use an electronic stencil cutter

Records Management

- 90 Locate, remove, and check out materials from files
- Sort materials for filing
 Prepare materials for filing
- 77 Make folders and folder labels for files
- 75 Search for lost materials
- 74 Transfer records to inactive files



Percent of respondents performing tasks

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(File Clerks)

Records Management (Continued)

68	File materials by name of person (alphabetical)
68	Revise files
65	File materials by subject
63	Control and manage filing system
61	Keep card indexes
61	Handle classified or confidential files
60	File materials by numerical order
57	Dispose of records
53	Select and/or order fil ig equipment and supplies
53	File materials by chronological order
50	Handle cross-references
49	Keep tickler or follow-up files
43	Follow up released material
34	Assign file numbers
30	Install filing system



Percent	of
responde	ents
performi	ing
tasks	

Task Clusters (arranged in descending order)

(File Clerks)

Computation and Financial Recordkeeping

- 95 Use addition
- 93 Use subtraction
- 89 Use multiplication
- 87 Use division
- 77 Use decimals
- 68 Use fractions
- 57 Convert decimals to fractions
- 53 Convert fractions to decimals



TABLE XIX

TABLE XIX

PERFORMED IN SELECTED OFFICE OCCUPATIONS

		OCCUPATIONS										
Percent of respond of perforant tasks	nts occupations perforing task)	tenographer	Secretary	Receptionist	off. Clerk	Clerk Typist	Mail Clerk	Mach. Trans.	Mach. Oper.	File Clerk		
91	Operate typewriter		x	x	x	x	x	·x	x	x		
87	Type addresses on ervelopes and/or cards	x	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	x		
78	Proofread typewritten copy	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	x		
74	Erase carbon copies	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
74	Erase original copies	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	x		
69	Type labels individually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	x		
68	Type cards (index cards, file reals, "address finder" cards, library index cards, etc.)	X	X	x	x	x	x	X	X	X		
62	Type fill-ins on duplicated letters or bulletins (form letter, etc.)	x	х	X	X	x	X	x	X	X		
62	Type manuscripts and/or reports (formal and informal)	x	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
54	Type interoffice memoramdums	x	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	x		
48	Make corrections with correction tape (requires no erasing)	X	X	X	х	X	х	X	x	X		
47	Clean typewriter	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	x		
47	Type preprinted forms	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	x		
45	Type in outline form	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
41	Type postal cards	x	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	x		
40	Type information on continuous roll tape	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		



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TABLE XIX (continued)

TASKS Percent of (arranged in descending order of respondents occupations performing task) performing tasks Typewriting 34 Type minutes or reports of meetings 32 Type on printed personnel forms 33 Type on printed purchase requisitions				OCCUPATIONS										
responde performi	of (arranged in descending order of nts occupations performing task)	Stenographer	Secretary	Receptionist	Off. Clerk	Clerk Typist	Mail Clerk	Mach. Trans.	Mach. Oper.	File Clerk				
34	Type minutes or reports of meetings	х	х	х	х	х	Х	х	х	х				
32	Type on printed personnel forms	X	х	х	х	Х	х	х	х	Х				
32	Type on printed purchase requisitions	х	х	X	x	Х	Х	Х	х	Х				
80	Type carbon copies	x	х	х	X	X		x	•	•				
69	Type and/or rule tabular material (tables, columns rows of figures)	x	X	X	X	Х	•	х	•	•				
60	Compose copy at the typewriter	X	Х	X	Х	X	•	X	•	•				
55	Type letters	X	X	X	X	X	•	X	•	•				
47	Type statistical material	x	X	X	X	X	•	X	•	•				
33	Type and correct spirit masters (e.g., Ditto masters)	X	X	•	X	X	•	X	X	•				
31	Type and correct stencils (Mimeograph process)	X	X	•	X	X	•	X	X	•				
69	Type final copy from rough-draft copy	x	X	•	X	X	•	X	•	•				
64	Type copy from unarranged copy	х	X	X	X	X	•	•	•	•				
61	Type correspondence, memos, and reports from rough drafts	x	х	•	x	Х	•	X	•	•				
33	Type legal papers and forms	X	X	•	X	X	•	X	•	•				
32	Take dictation at the typewriter (type dictation as employer dictates)	х	х	•	•	•	•	x	•	•				



TABLE XX

TASKS PERIORMED IN SELECTED OFFICE OCCUPATIONS

OCCUPATIONS

	TASKS	н	<u></u>	ñ	<u>ــــ</u>	٠,	- 	<u>:</u>		
Percent of respondent performing tasks	nts occupations performing task)	Stenobrapher	Secretary	Receptionis	Off. Clerk	Clerk Typis	Mail Clerk	Mach. Trans	Mach. Oper	111e (1e)
33	Transcribe machine-recorded dictation of letters and attachments	Х	x	x	х	х	•	х		r
32	Transcribe machine-recorded dictation for memos	х	х	x	х	Х	•	х	•	•
31	Transcribe machine-recorded dictation for rough drafts	х	X	Х	Х	Х	•	х		
30	Transcribe machine-recorded dictation for reports	x	X	X	Х	Х	•	Х	•	•
55	Take dictation in shorthand and transcribe letters and attachments	x	X	•	Х	•	•	•		à,
54	Take dictation in shorthand and transcribe memos a. 'reports	х	X	•	Х	•	•	•	٠	ø ^s
52	Take dictation in shorthand and transcribe rough drafts	Х	X	•	Х	•	•			*
32	Write shorthand (any system)	Х	х	•	x	•			٠	٠.



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TASKS PERFORMED IN SELECTED OFFICE OCCUPATIONS

OCCUPATIONS

	TASKS	le r	373	lst	Clerk	lst	rk	15.	er.	Clerk
Percent o responder negforming	ts occupations performing task)	Stenographer	Secretary	Receptionist	Off. Cle	rk Typist	Mail Clerk	n. Trans	о.	File Cle
:ESLS	Clerical Duties	Ster		Rece	<u> </u>	Clerk	χ̈́	Mach.	Mach	正 —
£ <u>\$</u>	Ising telephone directory	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	х	x
Bé	lse dictionary	x	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	x
8*	Labk up names and addresses	x	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	x
זר	Arrange papers and articles on/or in your own and/or your supervisor's desk	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	x
	Straighten up office	x	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	x
-:	Dust office	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
*:	Look over notes and memos for the day	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
- 4	Check on supplies (for re-ordering purposes)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	x	X
• •	Make notes for the next day's work	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	x	X
•	Assemble and staple duplicated material	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
~:	Change calendar daily	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
'nέ	Rum errands	X	x	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
7.4	Use company manuals	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
::	Send out notices of any type	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Ķ
£ I	lse office manuals	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
:1	Compare copy (one copy with another copy)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
ħĴ	Protect valuable and confidential material	X	x	X	x	x	x	x	X	X



		OCCUPATIONS										
Percent or respondent performing tasks	ts occupations performing task)	Stenographer	Secretary	Receptionist	Off. Clerk	Clerk Typist	Mail Clerk	Kach. Trans.	Mach. Oper.	File Clerk		
58	Keep desks equipped with office supplies (sharpened pencils, ink in pens, etc.)	Х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х		
56	Compile periodic reports	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	×		
56	Use U.S. Zip Code Directory	x	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
55	Change dates on rubber stamps or time stamp machine daily	x	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
55	Get information from various departments needed for correspondent	Х : е	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
52	Prepares requisitions	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
5 1	Use City Directory	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
5 0	Distribute supplies	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
49	Count items	X	X	X	X	x	X	X	X	X		
49	Inspect material received for completeness, damages, etc.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
47	Use other reference books or manuals not listed here	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
44	Make change	X	X	X	X	x	x	X	X	X		
42	Use maps	X	X	X	X	x	X	X	X	X		
40	Post noticesupdate bulletin board	X	X	X	X	x	X	X	λ	X		
39	Check money orders, checks, etc., as to amounts, dates, signatures, etc.	X	X	X	X	X	X	x	X	X		
38	Take inventory	X	X	X	X	X	x	X	X	X		
37	Dust employer's desk and keep employer's desk neat	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
37	Get quotations on supplies (from supplier)	X	X	X	X	X	X	x	X	X		



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TABLE XXI (continued)

		OCCUPATIONS								
Percent responde perform tasks	ents occupations parforing task)	Stenographer	Secretary	Receptionist	Off. Clerk	Clerk Typist	Mail Com	Mach. Trans.	Mach. Oper.	File Clerk
37	Use secretarial han-book	x		x	x	х	x	x	x	x
35	Record daily attendince	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	x
35	Review tickler file	x	X	X	x	X	x	x	x	x
35	Route shipments of aterials (within office, betwee departments, etc.)	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
34	Use technical manuals	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	x	x
31	Use U.S. Postal Manual (postage rates, types of mail)	Y.	x	X	X	X	X	X	X	x
30	Arrange physical layout of office, pictures, furniture, draperies, etc.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
43	Process routine forms and requests	x	X	X	X	X	•	•	•	•
41	Gather data to fill out questionnaires	x	x	x	x	X	•	•		•
35	Updates office manual or instruction book for employees	x	x	x	x	x	•	•	•	•
65	Order supplies of various kinds for the office (from suppliers or central supply department)	x	x	•	x	•	•	•	•	•
54	Select or order typewriting supplies and equipment (ribbons, erasers, etc.	X	x	•	x	•	•	•	•	•
50	Select or order proper typewriting paper and carbon paper	X	X	•	x	•	•	•	•	•
34	Order and distribute supplies	X	x	•	x	•	•	•	•	•



TABLE XXII

TASKS PERFORMED IN SELECTED OFFICE OCCUPATIONS

		OCCUPATIONS										
Percent or responden performin tasks	ts occupations performing task)	Stenographer	Serretary	Receptionist	Off. Clerk	Clerk Typist	Mail Clerk	Mach. Trans.	Mach. Oper.	File Clerk		
88	Plan work and decide on priority of work for one's self	x	x	x	x	x	x	X	x	x		
50	Coordinate with other personnel on various matters for employer	x	X	X	X	X	х	X	χ	x		
47	Collect money from office employees for various purposes	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	x		
40	Direct servicemen on service calls	X	x	X	X	X	x	X	X	x		
30	Counteract false reports which spread in organizations	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	x		
30	Notify and remind employees of immediately pending meeting	X	X	X	X	X	•	•	•	•		
43	Screen visitors or people who want to see your employer	X	X	X	X	•	•	•	•	•		
78	Direct people to proper offices and act as a guide for visitors	•	x	X	X	•	•	•	•	•		
72	Hear and answer customer complaints	•	X	X	X	•	•	•	•	•		
70	Greet callers	•	X	X	X	•	•	•	•	•		
67	Make employer and client introductions	•	X	X	X	•	•	•	•	•		
. 53	Remind employer of engagements, dates, things to do, etc.	•	X	X	X	•	•	•	•	•		
48	Arrange reception room and serve coffee or refreshments to employer, employees, and guests	•	х	X	X	•	•	•	•	•		

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TABLE XXII (continued)

		OCCUPATIONS												
Percent respond perform tasks	ents occupations performing task)	Stenographer	Secretary	Receptionist	Off. Clerk	Clerk Typist	Matl Clerk	Mach, Trans.	Mach. Oper,	File Clerk				
39	Receive callers		X	Х	х		•	•	•					
44	Plan for and distribute work among other employees and follow up on unfinished work	•	X	•	•	•	•	•	•	•				
31	Manage office and supervise other employees	•	X	•	•	•	,¢	•	•	•				



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OCCUPATIONS Stenographer Receptionist Clerk File Clerk Clerk Typist **TASKS** Clerk Secretary Percent of (arranged in descending order of occupations performing task) respondents performing tasks Mailing X X X X X X X X 86 Address, fold, insert, and seal letters Take mail to mail room or mail box X Х X X X X X X 72 X X X X X X X X 55 Prepare and process outgoing mail X X X Х Х X X X Prepare daily bulk mailings (includes 40 stuffing, sorting, bundling, and/or labeling outgoing bulk mail) X X X X X X X X 40 Weigh items and calculate postal rates X X X X X X X 37 Make up mailing list X 7. ۲, X X X X X 73 Open incoming mail X X X X X Х ζ. 64 Forward mail X X X X X X X 55 Pick up incoming and outgoing mail X X X X X X Use special mail services 52 y X X X X X X 38 Purchase postage Sort mail (for different persons and/or X X X X X X 65 in priority order) X X X X X 70 Read incoming mail Ъ" X X X 48 Read outgoing mail to check up on information, etc. X X X X Sign boss' mail (his signature)



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TASKS PERFORMED IN SELECTED OFFICE OCCUPATIONS

				i	occu	PATI	ONS			
Percent responde performi tasks	ents occupations performing task)	Stenographer	Secretary	Receptionist	Off. Clerk	Clerk Typist	Mail Clerk	Mach. Trans.	Mach. Oper.	File Clerk
95	Use telephone directory	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	х	х
92	Place outgoing telephone calls	X	X	X	X	X	x	x	x	x
87	Give information in response to verbal inquiries	X	x	X	X	x	x	x	x	x
86	Carry out written or oral orders of instructions of superiors	X	x	X	X	x	x	x	x	x
84	Maintain proper records of telephone communication	X	x	X	X	x	x	x	x	x
68	Give directions for work to be done by co-workers	X	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
62	Make recommendations for improvements in office procedures, routines, etc	X	X	x	x	x	X	x	X	x
54	<pre>Instruct new employees (work procedures, job orientation, etc.)</pre>	x	x	x	x	x	X	X	x	x
50	Compose business reports of any kind	x	X	x	X	x	x	x	x	x
49	Compose written directions to co-workers	x	X	X	X	X	x	x	x	x
43	Handle incoming telephone calls	x	X	X	x	x	x	X	x	x
45	Send and receive telegrams and/or cablegrams	x	x	x	x	•	•	•	x	•
45	Make engagements and appointments for employer	x	X	x	x	•	•	•	•	•
74	Compose all types of written correspondence	X	X	•	X	•	•	•	•	•



TABLE XXV

TASKS PERFORMED IN SELECTED OFFICE OCCUPATIONS

				_ (CCUI	PATIC	ONS			
Percent or responder performint tasks	ts occupations performing task)	Stenographer	Secretary	Receptionist	Off. Clerk	Clerk Typist	Mail Clerk	Mach. Trans.	Mach. Oper.	File Clerk
96	Operate typewriter (manual and electric)	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
62	Operate small manual office equipment	x	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	x
50	Operate copying machines	x	X	X	X	X	•	X	X	x
31	Clean and maintain office equipment other than typewriter	х	X	•	X	X	X	X	X	•
70	Operate 10-key adding machine	x	X	X	X	X	•	•	X	•
61	Operate calculators	x	X	X	X	X	•	•	X	•
39	Operate rotary calculators	X	x	x	x	x	•	•	X	•

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TABLE XXVI

TASKS PERFORMED IN SELECTED OFFICE OCCUPATIONS

	OCCUPATIONS «											
84 S 77 M 75 S 71 F 68 R 65 F 64 F 61 K7 D 53 F 50 H 49 K 47 F 43 F 34 A	ts occupations performing task)	Stenographer	Secretary	Receptionist	off. Clerk	Clerk Typist	Mail Clerk	Mach. Trans.	Mach. Oper.	File Clerk		
90	Locate, remove, and theck out materials from files	x	x	x	x	x	x	X	x	x		
84	Sort materials for filing	x	X	X	x	X	X	X	X	x		
~7	Make folders and folder labels for files	X	X	x	x	X	х	x	x	x		
75	Search for lost materials	x	X	X	x	X	x	X	Ж	x		
71	File materials by name of person (alphabetical)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	x	x		
68	Revise files	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	x		
65	File materials by subject	x	x	X	X	X	x	X	λ	x		
64	File materials by number	X	х	X	x	x	x	x	X	X.		
61	Keep card indexes	X	x	x	x	x	x	x	X	X		
7	Dispose of records	X	X	X	X	x	x	X	λ	X		
53	File materials by chronological order	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	x	X		
50	Handle cross references	X	X	X	X	X	X	x	x	x		
49	Keep tickler or follow-up files	X	X	X	X	X	X	x	x	x		
47	File materials by geographical location	X	X	X	X	X	X	x	x	x		
43	Follow up released material	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	x	x		
34	Assign file numbers	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	x	x		
74	Transfer records to inactive files	X	X	•	X	•	•	X	X	x		



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TABLE XXVI (continued)

		OCCUPATIONS												
Percent oresponder performin tasks	ts occupations performing task)	Stenographer	Secretary	Receptionist	Off. Clerk	Clerk Typist	Mail Clerk	Mach. Trans.	Mach. Oper.	File Clerk				
61	Handle classified or confidential files	x	x	•	x	•	•	x	•	x				
53	Control and manage filing system	x	x	•	X	•	•	•	•	x				
53	Select and/or order filing equipment and supplies	Х	X	•	X	•	•	•	•	X				
30	Install filing system	x	x	•	X	•	•	•	•	X				

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TASKS PERFORMED IN SELECTED OFFICE OCCUPATIONS

		OCCUPATIONS										
Percent responde perform tasks	ents occupations performing task)	Stenographer	Secretary	Receptionist	Off. Clerk	Clerk Typist	Mail Clerk	Mach. Trans.	Mach. Oper.	File Clerk		
95	Use addition	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	х		
93	Use subtraction	x	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Х		
89	Use multiplication	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
87	Use division	x	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Х		
77	Use decimals	x	X	X	X	X	Х	X	X	X		
. 68	Use fractions	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
57	Convert decimals to fractions	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
53	Convert fractions to decimals	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
45	Keep books and/or ledgers for any purpose	Х	X	X	X	X	X	•	X	•		
44	Make journal entries (any type of journal)	X	X	X	X	X	X	•	X	•		
46	Compute percentage problems	X	X	X	X	X	•	•	X	•		
42	Check bills and/or invoices (verify extensions, etc.)	X	X	X	X	X	•	•	X	•		
37	Compute sales taxes	X	X	X	X	X	•	•	X			
41	Write receipts	X	X	X	X	•	X	•	•	•		
40	Keep current files of invoices and purchase orders	X	X	•	X	•	•	•	•	X		
36	Deposit checks and/or cash in bank or cashier's office	X	X	X	X	•	•	•	•	•		
34	Write checks	X	X	X	X	•	٠	•	•			
31	Cash checks	х	X	X	X	•		•	•			

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