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ABSTRACT

This paper examines the theoretical and empirical basis for common rank-orderings of occupational roles by raters throughout the world. From an illustrative comparison of occupational stratification in Australia and the United States we conclude tentatively that (1) commonalities in the socioeconomic characteristics of occupational roles provide the basis for interplace consistencies in "prestige" scores, (2) the structure of occupational mobility in the U.S. and Australia is largely similar, (3) this similar structure of occupational stratification manifests a common socioeconomic process which defines a (the?) major component of occupational mobility in capitalist, industrial (only?) societies. We infer that "prestige" scores for occupations are error-prone estimates of the socioeconomic statuses of occupations.

Recent commentaries on mobility research within the United States (Haller and Portes, 1973; Featherman, Hauser,and Sewell, 1974) have noted the prominent influence of Blau and Duncan (1967) on both the conceptualization and the conduct of American stratification inquiries. The impact of these approaches has transcended academe to influence the structuring of public policy questions on social and economic inequalities in the U.S. Jencks in INEQUALITY (1972), for example, draws generously from THE AMERICAN OCCUPATIONAL STRUCTURE (Blau and Duncan, 1967), from later extensions of that work (Duncan, Featherman, and Duncan, 1972), and from the pioneering work of Sewell and his associates on the process of status attainment (Sewell, Haller, and Ohlendorf, 1970; Sewell and Hauser, 1972). As the influence of the Duncan and Sewell approaches is widely appreciated, we shall not dwell upon it here. However, inasmuch as these perspectives pervade a broad sweep of American studies of inequality and mobility,[1] and in view of the increasing adoption of similar sociological approaches in comparative mobility researches at the national level (cf. Featherman et al., 1974), it is useful to review assumptions of the status attainment "school." In this paper we address assumptions about occupational status and mobility which critics, friendly and otherwise, find problematic or limiting.

Some American sociologists lament the preponderance of occupation, and particularly of occupational status, in studies of inequality and social mobility. Pease, Form,and Rytina (1970) ask why, after nearly eighty years of attention to these fundamental issues of American society, analysts forsake power and economic inequalities, devoting nearly exclusive attention to the measurement of occupational status. However, few sociologists would deny the central place of occupational roles within the structure

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of industrialized societies or the linkage of individuals to the society through such roles. These relationships involving occupations are especially clear in capitalist economies (Parkin, 1971:20), with high proportions of the population employed and where about 85 percent of total income derives from salaries, wages, and self-employment. Moreover, if one conceives of "power" as "control over resources" (cf. Titmuss, 1962; Parkin, 1971; Weber, 1958), then studies of social inequality and mobility in the U.S., framed as they often are in terms of occupational mobility, tap into the major stratifying process, yielding information simultaneously (albeit, indirectly) on status power, economic power, and political (authority) power.

If the structure of capitalist industrial societies justifies the focus on occupations, then what justifies the use of prestige and socio-economic metrics to scale occupations and to measure social mobility qua occupational stratification and inequality? There is mounting evidence in the U.S. and elsewhere that the hierarchical structure underlying occupational roles is largely socioeconomic. Students of social inequality acknowledge the cross-validated evidence for a hierarchy of occupational prestige. This occupational structure essentially is invariant across spans of several decades, among societies and regions, among the socio-cultural characteristics of rankers, and over dimensions of ranking (Hodge, Treiman, and Rossi, 1966; Hodge, Siegel, and Rossi, 1966; Siegel, 1970). Undeniably, American (and probably other) studies represent a congeries of interpretations of prestige, both on the part of the study designers and on that of the rankers of occupational titles (cf. Reiss, 1961:10-42). We would not dispute an interpretation of the emergent prestige ranking as a

hierarchy of _desirability_ rather than of _prestige_, in its strictly inter-
preted classical sense (Goldthorpe and Hope, 1972:30-35), for the social
organization of modern capitalist societies (and perhaps others as well)
may preclude normatively prescribed prestige groups (viz., symbolically
legitimated groups, with patterned relationships of deference, acceptance,
and derogation) except at the most micro-social levels. However, to agree
with this interpretation is _not_ to concur with those who assert that such
a state of affairs is theoretically uninteresting (cf. Goldthorpe and
Hope, forthcoming:2.7). Our paper examines this argument and the evidence.

We first address the question of how populations of raters structure
occupations in hierarchical space. To put it another way, what underlies
occupational inequality, as popularly evaluated? Evidence accumulated
most recently in Britain (Goldthorpe and Hope, forthcoming) joins that
available for the United States (Reiss, 1961; Siegel, 1970) to indicate
that the dimensions underlying occupational inequality in the minds of
popular raters are manifold, only some of which correspond to the classical,
sociological conceptions of prestige (see Goldthorpe and Hope, 1972:27-33
for a review of this evidence). Despite the evidence that occupational
"prestige" rests upon a congeries of dimensions, the common core and dominant
dimension of occupational status is socioeconomic in nature. In the U.S.,
when an individual is queried as to why he or she wants to change jobs,
the most typical reasons offered are socioeconomic (e.g., financial, educa-
tional reasons) rather than ones indicative of the social prestige of the
occupations (Reiss, 1961:29-30). Or, when asked to account for the fact
that some occupations are ranked high and others low in social standing,
raters again give socioeconomic reasons as the major factors (Reiss, 1961:30-31).

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It is not surprising therefore that Duncan finds some 83 percent of the variance in the "prestige" of ninety U.S. occupational titles to represent socio-economic predictors (Duncan, 1961:124). Furthermore, with the rather stable rank-ordering of occupational education and income in the U.S. (cf. Siegel, 1970:202) one expects and does find near invariance in the ratings of occupational "prestige" over several decades.

The most extensive U.S. studies of occupational prestige are reported by Siegel (1970), who like Duncan finds an overwhelming socioeconomic basis to occupational prestige. From Siegel (1970:265), one can calculate the following regression equation, relating prestige scores for several hundred U.S. occupations to selected characteristics, each measured in standard form:

$$\hat{P} = -.026M - .061L + .543E - .097C + .018S + .014F - .068N + .422I$$
$$R^2 = .812,$$

where M is the percentage of employed males in mfg.; L is percentage of employed males self-employed; E is means education, male ECLF; C is percentage of employed males urban; S is percentage of male ECLF in South; F is percentage of ECLF female; N is percentage of male ECLF Negro; and I is mean income, male ECLF. The Beta coefficients indicate the clear dominance of occupational education and income. Contrary to the thesis of Svalastoga (1972) that occupational authority as well as occupational education comprise the core of occupational prestige, the crude indicator of authority, L (percentage of males self-employed), is a dismal predictor of prestige, once having controlled for E and I. Siegel argues that the deviations of prestige ratings for occupations from a strictly socio-economic regression line bespeak explicable, "true" prestige deviations--

i.e., those titles enjoying higher or lower social standing than their occupational education and income levels would imply. Still, he finds few measures which explain this "true" prestige variance; note for example, that the Beta coefficients in the regression above for the percentages female or Negro [which we might interpret as indicating the effects of social honor] are quite small.

For Britain, Goldthorpe and Hope offer cross-validating evidence for the socioeconomic basis of occupational prestige (Goldthorpe and Hope, forthcoming). On the basis of earlier research one can expect that the newest popular estimates of the social standing of occupations in Britain will correlate highly with those in the U.S., and for the British sample the emergent "prestige" hierarchy is a linear combination (to the extent of 97 percent of its variance) of four rating dimensions: standard of living, power and influence, qualifications, and value to society. (Goldthorpe and Hope do not report the covariances necessary to compute a regression of the prestige scale on the four dimensions, although the correlations among the dimensions indicate that "qualifications" and "power and influence" are the most central components. These data are consistent with the propositions of Svalastoga [1972] regarding the determination of occupational prestige.)

While Goldthorpe and Hope (forthcoming:2.11) are dismayed by the sociological potential of this congruity between two or more societies in the structure of occupational inequality, we find this fact to be of some substantial theoretical import. We shall elaborate more on this interpretation in later discussion. Suffice to say here that people perceive rather accurately that professional and administrative occupations, by

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their very definition or organization, call for the exercise of greater authority and control and apparently require for their exercise native and trained capacities and personality traits which craft or operative occupations, by their organization, do not (in degree or kind). That the organization of occupations across societies (at least of an industrialized type) is so similar and that persons in them, regardless of their social circumstances, perceive this organization as "socially desirable" (i.e., normative in an existential sense, rather than a legitimatory one) is not without sociological interest.

Additionally, it may be the case that the congruity of ranking and of the basis for that ranking of occupations across societies devolve from sources complementary to the similarity of the organization of occupations in industrial, and especially capitalist, economies. To examine this possibility we inquire about the structure of social qua occupational mobility in the United States. We ask if the basis on which such mobility occurs is unique or common among capitalist, industrial societies. Our provisional answer is that it is common in large measure, and that the basis of this mobility is socioeconomic. Again we find this observation to be interesting sociologically, but also it sustains the validity of studying social mobility qua movement among categories of occupational socioeconomic status, a basic assumption in American mobility research. We turn now to the evidence.

In a rarely cited publication, Klatzky and Hodge (1971) have demonstrated that the pattern of occupational mobility for the U.S. is ordered according to the socioeconomic distances among occupational categories. Applying canonical correlation techniques to a 17-category classification

of extended major occupation groups in the Blau and Duncan data, Klatzky and Hodge conclude that the socioeconomic scaling used by Blau and Duncan captured the essential relationship in both inter- and intragenerational mobility.[2] The canonical correlations were quite close in magnitude to the product-moment correlations reported by Blau and Duncan and the canonical weights for the occupational variates correlated highly with aggregate occupational education and income. Furthermore they reaffirmed that the relative statuses of occupational categories have remained constant, at least over the period of time encompassed by the OCG (Occupational Changes in a Generation) data. For the United States, it would seem that (1) the structure of occupational hierarchies is fundamentally socioeconomic, (2) that this structure in its relationships of relative super- and subordination in a socioeconomic sense has remained constant (at least) within this century, and (3) the major dimension of social distance on which mobility is conducted in the States is socioeconomic.

While these observations are themselves interesting to the sociologist, they would become even more so were we able to demonstrate consistencies across societies and/or systematic societal variations in these elements of stratification systems. In fact, research underway by Treiman and by Featherman and Hauser in the U.S. joins that in other nations which works toward this end. Here we wish to report on similarities uncovered in our reanalysis of data for Australia, kindly provided for this purpose by Professor F. L. Jones and his colleagues. These data are those from the 1965 mobility survey conducted among adult male workers. Our purpose in reanalysis is to effect more comparable analyses than were possible earlier, especially prior to Jones' (1971) comparison of U.S.-Australian path models.[3]

The following comparison rests upon a reconciliation of the occupational detail in the two data sets into a single classification at the level of ten major occupation groups and into (nominally) the same educational categories. We would note that while now the two surveys are substantially more comparable with respect to the classification of educational and occupational information, there remain conceptual differences between the two studies. The most marked is the definition of "father's occupation," which in the OCG data is given by the occupation of father at the son's age 16, and which in the Australian data (ANU) is father's current occupation (circa 1965) or longest job (if deceased or not then at work).

Table 1 summarizes the inter- and intragenerational mobility tables in the appendix to this paper. Briefly, in all three mobility matrices we observe greater net mobility (structural mobility, as given in the marginal distributions) in the U.S. than in Australia, coupled with somewhat greater observed (gross) mobility, especially in career mobility. Were we to subtract minimum from observed mobility to calculate "circulation" mobility in the fashion of Broom and Jones (1969) we would find greater circulation mobility in Australia than in the U.S., except in the case of career mobility where these rates are nearly identical (compare Broom and Jones, 1969). If we take the model of complete independence of origins and destinations as a norm for comparison, the mobility indices of Table 1 argue for no real societal difference in the relationship of observed to expected mobility (which is really a ratio of "circulation" mobility observed to "circulation" mobility expected on the model of complete independence), save in the case of career mobility. In the latter instance, there is some more predictability, or rigidity, in the Australian intragenerational transition matrix.

Are the ANU and OCG matrices the same or different? Table 2 offers

some insight into the question of whether the bivariate mobility patterns

bespeak two societies with one mobility regime or with two different ones.

We have applied log-linear models developed by Professor Leo Goodman (1972)

to a three-dimensional data matrix for each of the three mobility matrices.

Dimension one is occupation of origin (father's or first occupation),

dimension two is occupation of destination (first or current occupation),

and dimension three is place (Australia or U.S.); overall each matrix is

10x10x2. The data are completely nominal, and the purpose is to apply

models of interest to the end of predicting or estimating the observed

frequencies in each matrix. Goodness of fit of a model is given by testing

against Chi-square. Table 2 reports on two models: model A estimates the

frequencies on the assumption that differences in mobility between the two

places are soley a function of different structure, as given in the origin

and destination marginals; model B estimates the frequencies on the assump-

tion of different marginals but it also assumes that outflow and inflow

relationships (i.e., mobility relationships between origins and destinations)

are the same in both places. It is important to note that a significant

Chi-square value for the fit of this model indicates that model B does not

fit the data well, implying that mobility patterns in the two places are

not the same.

Table 2 is clear about the fit of model A: there is far more to the

pattern of mobility in the two societies than is given in the fact of

their differing (marginal) structures. Actually, we have no great interest

in model A except as it serves as a baseline for assessing the fit of

model B, which hypothesizes (as null) that there is no difference in mobility

regimes. We must reject null (no difference), as the deviations of observed from expected frequencies are statistically significant. This means that in each of the three mobility matrices there are interactions which are attributable to place, holding constant differences in (marginal) structure and the additive mobility effects of place. However, it is important to note that the departures of the observed from expected frequencies under model B are but a small percentage of both the total Chi-square for each matrix and the values under model A. In fact, Chi-square values for net inter-place differences in mobility (262.6, 386.4, and 452.4 from Table 2) are but some 5 percent of the Chi-square under model A; therefore, about 95 percent of the "variance" in each matrix, net of the inter-place differences stemming from their marginals, is attributable to additive effects, i.e., place-constant mobility patterns. So, despite a significant inter-place difference, the significant effect of inter-place similarity is dominant.

We now block the origin categories for farmers and farm laborers and rerun our log-linear models on the 8x10x2 matrices for men of nonfarm origin. This strategy reveals a major source of the imperfect fit of model B. About 75 percent of the original Chi-square in each of the two intergenerational inter-place matrices and 54 percent of Chi-square in the intragenerational inter-place matrix is a function of the differential effects of farm origins in the two societies' mobility regimes, although the remaining Chi-square indicates a continuing, sometimes significant, but substantively small (4 percent of Chi-square under model A), inter-place effect within the nonfarm population.

We conclude from this analysis of contingency tables that the bivariate process of mobility in Australia and the U.S. in the mid-60s was largely the same, with minor but significant idiosyncratic patterns, originating in the main from the unique mobility patterns for men from farm origins.

Having established a case for the similarity of stratification as a process in the two societies, we inquire into the foundation of that process. Given our knowledge of the socioeconomic basis of occupational stratification in the United States, it would be surprising were it to be otherwise for Australia.

Tables 3 through 8 report on an extensive examination of the process of stratification as revealed in the ANU and OCG data. We have classified and scaled both data sets equivalently, running correlations and regressions for both the total and nonfarm populations, and altering the analysis by rescaling occupation variables (at the level of major groups) into Duncan's socioeconomic index (1961), Siegel's (1970) new prestige scores, and Treiman's (forthcoming) standard international prestige index.[4] Since we have expected somewhat greater similarity between societies among the non-farm origin than among the total male population, we have run separate analyses for these groups.

Table 3 contains interscale correlations for two of the three occupational variables from the basic Blau and Duncan model which we have estimated (in its fully-recursive form) for both societies. By and large, the two prestige scales correlate more highly with each other than does either with the socioeconomic scale. In both societies, the Duncan and Siegel scales are more highly collinear than are the Duncan and Treiman scales, perhaps indicating somewhat less validity in Treiman's version of prestige in both places. Inasmuch as the largest difference between socioeconomic and prestige scales involves the treatment of farm occupational statuses, it is not surprising that the two SES-prestige correlations are higher when calculated over the nonfarm rather than the total population;

however, there is no change in the Treiman-Siegel correlations. Finally, there are no apparent systematic differences attributable to place in Table 3.

Tables 4 and 5 render product-moment correlations for the five variables of a Blau-Duncan stratification model, along with means and standard deviations. We shall not dwell on these summary statistics, except to note that the correlations for Australia, based on the reconciled major occupation group classification, are much closer to their U.S. counterparts than are the correlations reported by Jones (1971), which rested upon a different educational and occupational classification. Furthermore, for both societies and in each population of both places, the correlations calculated over Duncan's socioeconomic index are uniformly higher than those computed over either of the prestige scales. We shall take advantage of this observation later.

For total men in Australia (Table 6) and in the U.S. (Table 7), the process of stratification, as depicted by occupational variables encoded in any of the three matrics of status, is much the same. Comparing panels A, B, and C of standardized regression coefficients within each of Tables 6 and 7 reveals no striking departures from the now familiar relationships in this three-equation stratification model, irrespective of the metric in which occupation is scaled. However, in each of the three equations for both Australia and the U.S., the R^2 value is higher if we have scaled occupations in units of socioeconomic status rather than in units of prestige (Siegel or Treiman). This finding is consistent with an argument that rests the process of stratification on an underlying socioeconomic base, irrespective of place.

When we compare societies rather than scales of status (e.g., comparing panels A in Table 6 with panels A in Table 7) we pay closer attention to the panels of metric (raw) regression coefficients rather than those of unstandardized ones. However, among the standardized coefficients the only between-societal difference in the relative importance of various regressors is in the equation for current occupation: In the U.S., education is somewhat more important in the determination of current occupation than is first job, although in Australia these two factors play somewhat equivalent roles. We would jump quickly to the metric estimates for these same equations and report that in raw units of socioeconomic status or prestige, the current occupational returns to education and first jobs in the two places are quite similar. Moreover, in equation lines 5 and 6 of Tables 6 and 7 the most marked intersocietal differences involve the role of father's education in the determination of son's first and current jobs, but it is this parameter whose estimates in both societies are either statistically nonsignificant or nearly zero in absolute size. In these between-place comparisons we find little evidence for earlier conclusions (cf. Jones, 1971) that the processes of stratification in Australia and the U.S. are dissimilar in their fundamental character or in the operation of particular variables.

The men of nonfarm origin in the U.S. and Australia are perhaps most comparable and they appear in Table 8; we pause to note from the metric coefficients some minor differences in the process of achievement as given therein. From the equation intercepts it is clear that the Americans attain somewhat higher average years of schooling than do the Australians, controlling for background factors. While the Australians typically are

better able to enter higher status first jobs, U.S. men hold more prestigeous current occupations. Among the regression estimates, we find in equations 4 of panels A and B that Australian father's education is half again as efficacious for son's education as is the case in the States, although in terms of real consequences of this difference, the net advantage to the Australians is trivial. In equations 5 of panels A and B the Australians appear to benefit some 1.6 Duncan score points more than the Americans from equal (net) schooling, while the Americans enjoy a one-unit advantage over their Australian counterpart's current occupational attainments; again this difference is trivial. While the societal differences in the effects of paternal education in equations 5 and 6 are large enough to be significant, the coefficients themselves are either statistically nonsignificant or neg-ligible in their substantive bearing.

We return to our earlier observation that in both places the correlations for the basic model are higher when run over socioeconomic status than over prestige; additionally, R^2 values in regression equations for each society are larger when calculated for socioeconomic variance. These data, which replicate earlier observations within the U.S. (Duncan, Featherman, and Duncan, 1972:45-49), are consistent with the interpretation that prestige scales are fallible indexes of socioeconomic status. If what underlies the apparent fundamental similarity of social mobility among some societies is a socioeconomic process, then to study that process via prestige scales is to misspecify its essence and to err (though not by a large arithmetic factor, given the usually high correlation between scales of prestige and socioeconomic status) in statistical estimation of cause and effect.[5]

In taking this interpretation seriously, we have specified the causal model in Figure 1, obtaining the estimates which appear in Table 9 for

both societies using a technique developed by K. Jöreskog (Jöreskog,

Gruvaeus, and Thillo, 1970). Essentially Figure 1 represents a factor

model in which each of the boxed variables is unmeasured in either of

OCG or ANU data but which are reflected in variables for which we have

measurements (indicators). For simplicity we have taken the Duncan and

Treiman scores as reflections of each unmeasured occupational variable,

and we have estimated the validity of each from the data matrix. In the

case of the two education variables, we have assumed a constant validity

coefficient of .966, based on earlier analysis (Siegel and Hodge, 1968).

The estimation procedure conforms to a confirmatory factor model, and

Figure 1 assumes all residuals are uncorrelated. If we are correct in

asserting that the process of achievement in both the U.S. and Australia

is a socioeconomic one and that prestige scales are fallible indicators

of socioeconomic status, we should estimate higher validity coefficients

for the Duncan scale reflections than for the Treiman scale variables.

In fact, Figure 1 confirms our expectations, with validities of unity

for all Duncan variables in both societies and substantially lower ones

for the Treiman variables. The standardized regression estimates in Table

9 do not deviate in their descriptive character from those in Tables 6 and

7, save for the larger R^2 values; hence we shall not discuss them.

To conclude our analysis of the structure of social mobility, in its

common features, across societies, and to offer additional credibility for

our assertion as to its socioeconomic character, we conducted a series of

canonical correlation analyses of the societies' mobility tables. In using

this technique we have retrenched from the superimposition of structure upon

the process of mobility to the point of making such structure problematic.

We know from our application of log-linear models that the two societies'
occupational stratification systems are largely the same. The regression
analysis has assumed that the basis of similarity was some common socio-
economic process. Can we establish independent support for this inter-
pretation?

Table 10 gives the canonical weights for the first and second variates
for each of the three mobility tables in each society; Table 11 reports
weights for the first variates in both places from inter⁻ and intragenerational
mobility tables for the men of nonfarm origins. A summary and interpretation
of these variates are contained in Tables 12 through 14; it is the latter
tables which we shall discuss.

Table 12 establishes that mobility for total men in both societies
involves at least two orthogonal variates which yield canonical correlations of
some magnitude. When we compare the canonical correlations for the U.S.
and those for Australia with their Duncan score counterparts in Table 4
panel a, it is apparent that the maximum correlations for the first variates
exceed the Pearsonian correlations and that there is more variance in each
of these tables than is captured under the assumption of socioeconomic (or
prestige) dimensionality. The exception to this interpretation is the U.S.,
wherein the deviation of the two intergenerational canonical correlations
from their socioeconomic, product-moment counterparts is slight. For men
of nonfarm origin (compare Table 12 with Table 5 panel a), the canonical
correlations for the first variates compare rather favorably in both societies
with the Pearsonian correlations.

That there is dissimilarity in the scaling of the first variates between
societies is evidenced in Table 13, where the Pearsonian correlations of the

weights of corresponding variates in the two places are reported. These correlation coefficients range from .60 to .96, with the highest correspondence arising in the intragenerational relationship (rows D and F). Limiting our attention to men of nonfarm origins (lower panel of Table 13), we find cross-societal correlations in excess of .90, with the exception of the reflection of father on son's first job (r = .82).

Having achieved a scoring of major occupation group categories through induction from the mobility matrices, we now attempt to identify the emergent structure of mobility in the two societies. Table 14 arrays the correlations on the canonically scored variates with each of Duncan's and Siegel's status scores. If the canonical structure of mobility in either society is essentially a socioeconomic process or a phenomenon of prestige hierarchies, then the correlations should be rather high. If the common core of social mobility in both societies is movement through socioeconomic rather than prestige space, then in both societies the correlations between the canonical scores and the Duncan scores should be higher than those between the canonical weights and the Siegel scores.

In nearly every comparison, the column involving the Duncan socioeconomic scores contains higher correlations than the column with Siegel prestige scores. The scorings of the first variates in the U.S. more closely adhere to the occupational hierarchy of socioeconomic status than in Australia, although in both societies it is intragenerational mobility which most nearly approximates a unidimensional, socioeconomic process. For the U.S., the structure of intergenerational mobility to first jobs seems to entail more than socioeconomic variance, as the reflection of father's occupation on son's first job, and vice versa, have the lowest

correlations with occupational socioeconomic status. When we look at the correlations run over the nonfarm men, there is little to dispute; the canonical structure of social mobility is given in socioeconomic distance among major occupation group categories.

In closing, we propose that the fundamental core of occupational inequality in the U.S. and other capitalist, industrialized societies is socioeconomic status, and not occupational prestige. Furthermore, across capitalist industrial (and possibly other) societies the common structure of social mobility is occupational socioeconomic status. We assume that there are idiosyncratic features to each society's stratification system, for clearly the U.S.-Australian comparison has yielded evidence of such properties (namely in the mobility patterns associated with men of farm origins). Likewise, we readily acknowledge the variance in any society's process of achievement which stems from non-socioeconomic factors, strictly construed. In the American case, the interaction of race with the socioeconomic components of the basic model and the historically unique pattern of intergenerational mobility of blacks vis-a-vis whites are manifestations of cultural, social, and/or ideological elements of U.S. society which affect the operation of the process of stratification. Still, the basic model of socioeconomic stratification applies to blacks, although in some attenuated form.

We eschew the necessity of some legitimatory, normative system, either within an individual or within a total society, for the operation and maintenance of these largely similar socioeconomic processes of stratification. Whether the sociological facts of inequality and stratification in a given place are consensually validated or not, or, whether or not an individual's

sense of distributive justice accords with these facts, are interesting

research questions with import for social change. However, in the final

analysis, values may play a relatively minor role, relative to the impact

of the economy, in shaping and sustaining the mobility processes in

capitalist, industrial nations. Therefore, our research is not offered

either as substantiation for or in refutation of a functionalist theoretic

position, as it is usually understood.

We speculate quite tentatively (while similar analyses to those reported

herein can be carried out in other places) that concurrence across societies

on the hierarchical rating of occupations, and the apparent commonality

of socioeconomic distance as the metric of measurement for this ordering,

arise from quite similar economic forces of supply and demand which have

noticeably and parallel features in capitalist, industrial nations. Further-

more, these same economic relationships of supply and demand define the

specific details of the process of stratification--i.e., which variables are

to be included in the basic model and the effect parameters among them.

Popular evaluations of occupational prestige or desirability conducted in

different places mirror the common features of their respective stratifica-

tion processes, namely their socioeconomic elements.

Rather than fostering uninteresting theoretical questions, the emerging

evidence for the cross-societal importance of socioeconomic status (among

those places in which such research has been attempted) offers up new lines

of inquiry and speculation. These findings may lead us away from a pre-

occupation with personal and societal values to a focus on common and unique

features of institutions--particularly economic and political ones--across

societal boundaries and over time. In the spirit of this thought, we would

hope that stratification research of the kinds reported herein might be implemented in noncapitalist economies. If in such industrialized, non-capitalist societies the major basis of stratification is occupational socioeconomic status, as we provisionally conclude it is in capitalist economies, such a finding would have a profound impact on existing theories of social stratification. At least for the United States, we are not troubled by the standing assumption that occupational socioeconomic status is the primary basis of mobility.

FOOTNOTES

[1]Clearly not all current American researches conceive of mobility as a process of achievement, after Duncan and Sewell. Notable exceptions include the continuing analysis of mobility tables (i.e., Goodman, 1969; McFarland, 1969, 1970; Fararo, 1973), scrutiny of job vacancy-chains (White, 1970), and dynamic assessments of occupational life histories (Sørensen, 1973). For a partial overview of major U.S. inquiries incorporating status attainment approaches, see Duncan et al., 1972:Epilogue.

[2]Klatzky and Hodge report a second canonical variate for the U.S., which they do not interpret. Moreover, Duncan-Jones (1972), independently analyzing the OCG and other national mobility data, finds discrepancies between the canonical and least-squares (ordinary correlations) structures, especially for the father-to-son's first occupation matrices. These observations demonstrate that social mobility is not purely a matter of socioeconomic processes, although they do not detract from the socioeconomic intepretation of the major common feature of mobility which we advance aubsequently.

[3]Jones did not have at his disposal the unit-record tape from the OCG survey as he attempted the earlier comparison of the two stratification systems. This precluded computations of metric regressions based on comparably coded educational and occupational classifications.

[4]The major group scale scores are as follows:

Occupation Group	Scales		
	Duncan	Siegel	Treiman
Professional, technical and kindred	75	60	57
Managers, officials, proprietors	57	50	64
Clerical and kindred	45	39	44
Sales and kindred	49	34	40
Craft and kindred	31	39	41
Operatives	18	29	33
Service	17	25	31
Nonfarm labor	7	18	19
Farmers and farm mgrs.	14	41	47
Farm laborers	9	19	27

[5]Surely there are analyses in which a purified prestige scoring of occupations makes more sense conceptually than does a socioeconomic scoring. However, in models of status attainment wherein individual-level achievements of economic (earnings), educational, and occupational status are problematic, we argue here that a socioeconomic scoring is preferable. Clearly in adopting a major occupation group classification, we have assumed the theoretical import of skill levels and "head-work/hand-work" distinctions; this is consistent with standing notions about the characteristics of industrialized societies. By scoring major occupation groups in the metric of socioeconomic status (i.e., assigning aggregate, group-specific socioeconomic scores), we uncover two interesting relationships in models of status attainment, estimated over individuals. First, we estimate the relationship of individuals' educational achievements (years of schooling) to their occupational levels, based on knowledge of the expected educational (i.e. skills) and earnings, (i.e. performance, productivity) characteristics of average role encumbants. Second, we estimate the relationship of individuals' earnings to their occupational levels, based on expectations in the aggregate of the educational and earnings of "typical" role encumbants. Were we to score occupations in the metric of prestige, we would be faced with the theoretical dilemma that prestige is ordinarily thought to be an outgrowth (among other determinants) of education- and wealth-based criteria.

Figure 1. Confirmatory Factor Model of the Process of Socioeconomic Achievement, U.S. and Australian Men.

Notes: ☐ Denotes unmeasured variable; ◯ denotes measured variable.

For estimates of unmarked paths, see Table 9. Coefficients in ( ) are for U.S.
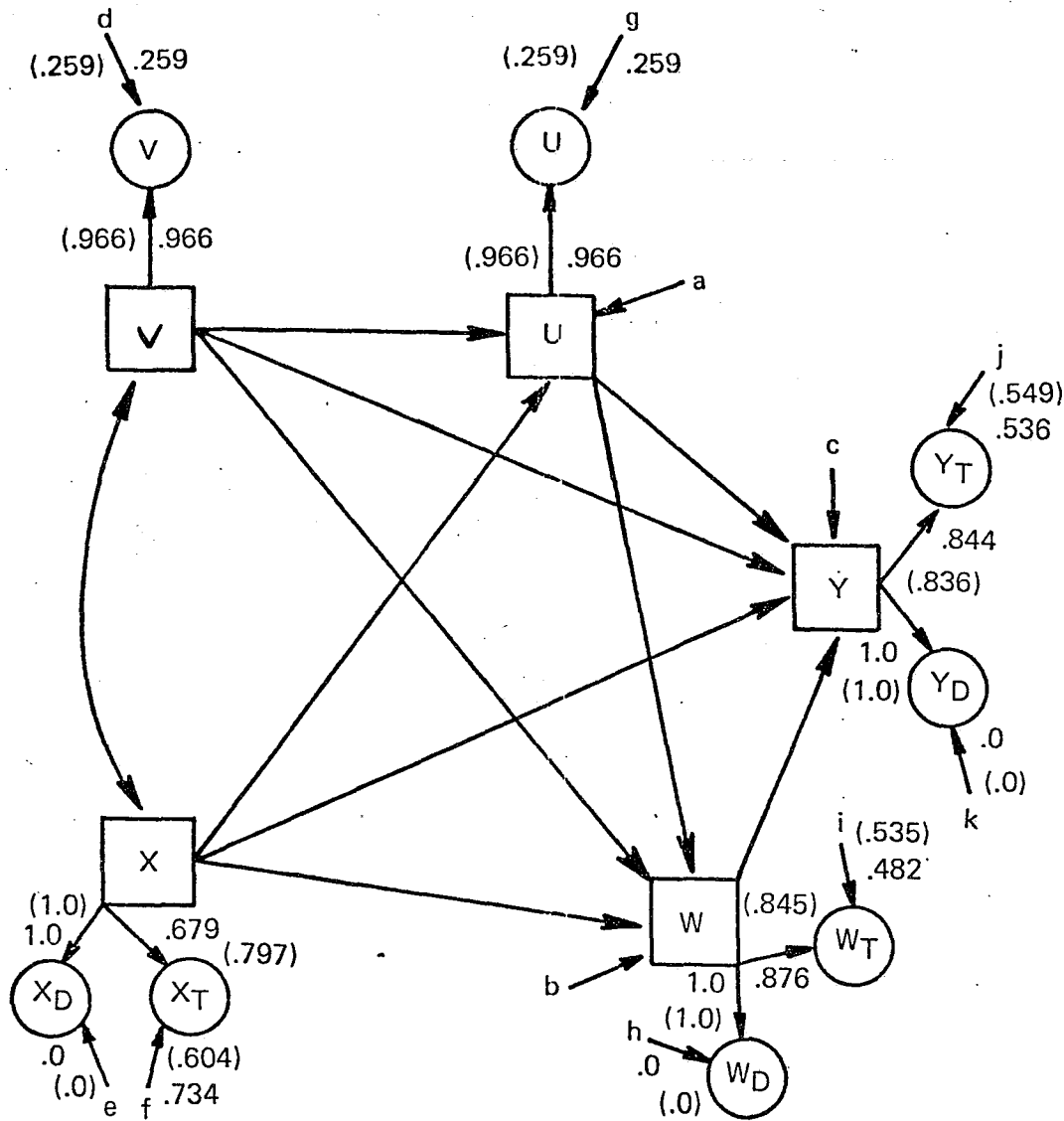
Variables:

V   Father's education
U   R's education
X   Father's status
X_D Father's Occ.—Duncan
X_T Father's Occ.—Treiman
W   First Job Status
W_D First Job—Duncan
W_T First Job—Treiman
Y   Current Occ. Status
Y_D Current Occ.—Duncan
Y_T Current Occ—Treiman

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Table 1: Occupational Mobility Statistics for U.S. Men Aged 20-64 in 1962 and Australian Men Aged 20 and Over in 1965

| Type of Mobility and Society | Percent Changing Major Occ Group | | | Mobility |
	Minimum[a]	Observed[b]	Expected[c]	Index[d]
FATHER'S OCC TO CURRENT OCC				
U.S.	22.3	77.2	87.8	83.8
AUSTRALIA	13.7	75.0	88.2	82.3
FATHER'S OCC TO FIRST OCC				
U.S.	44.4	79.4	90.2	76.4
AUSTRALIA	24.6	74.8	88.4	78.7
FIRST OCC TO CURRENT OCC				
U.S.	32.4	72.2	88.5	70.9
AUSTRALIA	22.4	61.1	88.2	58.8

[a] Net mobility; coefficient of dissimilarity comparing row and column marginals.

[b] Percentage off main diagonal.

[c] Percentages off the main diagonal under model of independence of rows and columns.

[d] Mobility Index $= \left(\dfrac{\text{Observed} - \text{Minimum}}{\text{Expected} - \text{Minimum}} \right)$

Table 2: Applications of Log-Linear Models to Mobility
Matrices for U.S. Men Aged 20-64 in 1962 and
Australian Men Aged 20 and Over in 1965

Matrix and Models	TOTAL MEN				NONFARM ORIGINS			
	Index of dis-similarity	Chi-Square	df	p	Index of dis-similarity	Chi-Square	df	p
Father's Occ by Son's Current Occ								
A. Model of variable marginals	18.19	5128.7	162	.00	15.61	2020.5	136	.00
B. Model of variable marginals and place-constant interactions	2.17	262.6	81	.00	1.57	62.45	73	.50
Father's Occ by Son's First Occ								
A. Model of variable marginals	24.25	8122.9	162	.00	14.80	2113.5	136	.00
B. Model of variable marginals and place-constant interactions	2.66	386.4	81	.00	1.90	105.9	73	.00
Son's First Occ by Current Occ								
A. Model of variable marginals	26.07	10468.3	162	.00	24.28	6726.4	136	.00
B. Model of variable marginals and place-constant interactions	2.95	452.4	81	.00	2.39	206.6	73	.00

Table 3: Inter-scale Correlations[a] Over Major Occupation Groups,
Duncan (1961), Siegel (1970), and Treiman (forthcoming)
Scores, Australian Men Aged 20 and Over in 1965 and U.S.
Men Aged 20-64 in 1962

Scale Comparisons	Populations and Occupations			

TOTAL MEN

| | Father's Occupation | | Current Occupation | |
	Australia	U.S.	Australia	U.S.
Duncan-Siegel	.8265	.7224	.8825	.9013
Duncan-Treiman	.7971	.6794	.8358	.8441
Siegel-Treiman	.9449	.9404	.9347	.9272

NONFARM MEN

| | Father's Occupation | | Current Occupation | |
	Australia	U.S.	Australia	U.S.
Duncan-Siegel	.9341	.9454	.9388	.9467
Duncan-Treiman	.9010	.9111	.8853	.8940
Siegel-Treiman	.9426	.9373	.9286	.9255

[a]Correlations reflect population frequencies as weights.

Table 4 : Coefficients of Correlation for OCG Males Aged
20-64 (above diagonal) and Australian Males Aged
20 and Older (below diagonal), Based on Reconciled
Classification of Occupations into U.S. Major
Occupation Groups, With Categories Scored in
Selected Metrics of Status

(a) Socioeconomic Status (Duncan, 1961) Metric

	FAED	FAOCC	EDUC	FJOB	OCC	Mean	Std. Dev.
Father's education	--	.501	.445	.325	.298	2.27	1.55
Father's occupation	.449	--	.426	.402	.380	28.06	18.77
R's education	.502	.321	--	.512	.564	3.42	1.56
R's first job	.286	.277	.498	--	.523	26.68	20.23
R's current occupation-	.319	.305	.516	.529	--	35.66	21.48
Mean	2.44	28.44	3.17	29.09	34.37		
Standard Deviation	1.31	19.82	1.33	21.12	22.03		

(b) NORC Prestige (Siegel, 1970) Metric

	FAED	FAOCC	EDUC	FJOB	OCC	Mean	Std. Dev.
Father's education	--	.360	.445	.298	.261	2.27	1.55
Father's occupation	.378	--	.234	.219	.236	37.46	10.06
R's education	.502	.212	--	.472	.503	3.42	1.56
R's first job	.243	.198	.446	--	.444	31.58	11.82
R's current occupation	.270	.242	.460	.441	--	38.28	12.08
Mean	2.44	34.38	3.17	32.22	36.77		
Standard Deviation	1.31	11.48	1.33	11.84	12.64		

(c) International Prestige (Treiman, forthcoming) metric

	FAED	FAOCC	EDUC	FJOB	OCC	Mean	Std. Dev.
Father's education	--	.305	.445	.283	.237	2.27	1.55
Father's occupation	.305	--	.219	.216	.240	42.58	11.58
R's education	.502	.198	--	.435	.442	3.42	1.56
R's first job	.230	.183	.400	--	.371	35.52	10.98
R's current occupation	.230	.220	.356	.384	--	42.77	12.98
Mean	2.44	39.78	3.17	36.47	42.41		
Standard Deviation	1.31	12.76	1.33	12.41	13.96		

Table 5 :   Coefficients of Correlation for OCG Males Aged 20-64
of Nonfarm Background (above diagonal) and Australian
Males Aged 20 and Over of Nonfarm Background (below
diagonal) Based on Reconciled Classification of Occu-
pations into U.S. Major Occupation Groups, With Cate-
gories Scored in Selected Metrics of Status

(a) Socioeconomic Status (Duncan, 1961) Metric

	FAED	FAOCC	EDUC	FJOB	OCC	Mean	Std. Dev.
Father's education	—	.494	.419	.300	.274	2.49	1.61
Father's occupation	.468	—	.384	.336	.337	34.10	19.32
R's education	.505	.322	—	.487	.562	3.69	1.50
R's first job	.277	.270	.494	—	.504	30.18	20.79
R's current occupation	.313	.301	.501	.527	—	38.80	21.64
Mean	2.54	32.88	3.26	30.51	35.78		
Standard Deviation	1.35	20.08	1.36	21.33	22.42		

(b) NORC Prestige (Siegel, 1970) Metric

	FAED	FAOCC	EDUC	FJOB	OCC	Mean	Std. Dev.
Father's education	—	.449	.419	.282	.247	2.49	1.61
Father's occupation	.454	—	.342	.289	.291	36.87	11.17
R's education	.505	.283	—	.459	.514	3.69	1.50
R's first job	.249	.240	.472	—	.464	33.31	11.81
R's current occupation	.274	.274	.469	.468	—	39.33	12.33
Mean	2.54	35.25	3.26	32.69	37.04		
Standard Deviation	1.35	11.35	1.36	11.72	12.84		

(c) International Prestige (Treiman, forthcoming) Metric

	FAED	FAOCC	EDUC	FJOB	OCC	Mean	Std. Dev.
Father's education	—	.392	.419	.276	.228	2.49	1.61
Father's occupation	.357	—	.340	.284	.303	41.54	13.10
R's education	.505	.259	—	.437	.454	3.69	1.50
R's first job	.241	.229	.423	—	.389	36.74	11.19
R's current occupation	.236	.248	.358	.406	—	43.70	13.14
Mean	2.54	40.14	3.26	36.75	42.52		
Standard Deviation	1.35	13.40	1.36	12.35	14.26		

Table 6 : Standardized and Metric Regression Coefficients for
Three-Equation Stratification Model, Australian Men
Aged 20 and Over, 1965, by Selected Scales of Socio-
economic Status and Prestige

Dependent Variable	Independent Variables					
	Father's Education	Father's Occupation	Education	First Occupation	α	R^2
STANDARDIZED COEFFICIENTS						
A. Duncan SES Scores						
1) Education	.448 (.022)[a]	.120 (.022)				.264
2) First Occupation	-.003 (.024)	.131 (.022)	.458 (.023)			.263
3) Current Occupation	.024 (.022)	.103 (.020)	.299 (.023)	.344 (.021)		.375
B. Siegel Prestige Scores						
1) Education	.492 (.021)	.026 (.021)				.253
2) First Occupation	-.015 (.024)	.112 (.022)	.430 (.023)			.210
3) Current Occupation	.001 (.023)	.121 (.021)	.309 (.024)	.278 (.022)		.294
C. Treiman Prestige Scores						
1) Education	.487 (.021)	.049 (.021)				.254
2) First Occupation	.009 (.025)	.106 (.022)	.375 (.024)			.172
3) Current Occupation	.024 (.024)	.121 (.021)	.212 (.025)	.271 (.022)		.212
METRIC REGRESSION COEFFICIENTS						
A. Duncan SES Scores						
4) Education	.455	.008			1.83	
5) First Occupation	-.054	.140	7.27		2.20	
6) Current Occupation	.402	.115	4.96	.359	3.97	
B. Siegel Prestige Scores						
4) Education	.500	.003			1.85	
5) First Occupaion	-.138	.116	3.83		16.4	
6) Current Occupation	.011	.133	2.94	.297	13.3	
C. Treiman Prestige Scores						
4) Education	.495	.005			1.76	
5) First Occupation	.087	.104	3.50		21.1	
6) Current Occupation	.258	.132	2.22	.305	18.3	

[a] Standard errors in parenthesis.

Table 7 :   Standardized and Metric Regression Coefficients for
Three-Equation Stratification Model, U.S. Men Aged 20-64,
March 1962, by Selected Scales of Socioeconomic Status
and Prestige

Dependent Variables	Independent Variables					
	Father's Education	Father's Occupation	Education	First Occupation	α	R^2
STANDARDIZED COEFFICIENTS						
A. Duncan SES Scores						
1) Education	.309 (.007)[a]	.272 (.007)				.253
2) First Occupation	.040 (.007)	.210 (.007)	.405 (.007)			.305
3) Current Occupation	-.020 (.007)	.113 (.007)	.376 (.007)	.292 (.006)		.401
B. Siegel Prestige Scores						
1) Education	.414 (.007)	.085 (.007)				.204
2) First Occupation	.080 (.007)	.093 (.007)	.415 (.007)			.240
3) Current Occupation	-.014 (.007)	.100 (.006)	.367 (.007)	.253 (.007)		.317
C. Treiman Prestige Scores						
1) Education	.417 (.006)	.092 (.006)				.206
2) First Occupation	.083 (.007)	.109 (.007)	.374 (.007)			.210
3) Current Occupation	-.005 (.007)	.126 (.006)	.328 (.007)	.203 (.007)		.250
METRIC REGRESSION COEFFICIENTS						
A. Duncan SES Scores						
4) Education	.311	.023			2.08	
5) First Occupation	.521	.226	5.25		1.20	
6) Current Occupation	-.284	.129	5.17	.310	6.72	
B. Siegel Prestige Scores						
4) Education	.417	.013			1.98	
5) First Occupation	.608	.110	3.14		15.3	
6) Current Occupation	-.106	.120	2.84	.258	16.2	
C. Treiman Prestige Scores						
4) Education	.419	.012			1.94	
5) First Occupation	.592	.103	2.64		20.8	
6) Current Occupation	-.045	.141	2.73	.240	19.0	

[a]Standard errors in parenthesis.

Table 8 : Standardized and Metric Regression Coefficients for
Three-Equation Stratification Model, Australian Men
Aged 20- and Over in 1965 with Nonfarm Background and
U.S. Men Aged 20-64 in 1962 with Nonfarm Background

Dependent Variables	Independent Variables					
	Father's Education	Father's Occ SES	Education	First Occ SES	α	R^2

STANDARDIZED COEFFICIENTS

A. Australia

1) Education	.454 (.025)[a]	.109 (.025)				.264
2) First Occ SES[b]	-.016 (.028)	.129 (.026)	.461 (.026)			.258
3) Current Occ SES	.024 (.026)	.104 (.024)	.281 (.027)	.354 (.024)		.366

B. United States

1) Education	.303 (.008)	.234 (.008)				.217
2) First Occ SES	.054 (.008)	.154 (.008)	.405 (.008)			.265
3) Current Occ SES	-.028 (.008)	.104 (.008)	.395 (.008)	.286 (.007)		.393

METRIC REGRESSION COEFFICIENT

A. Australia

4) Education	.457	.007				1.86
5) First Occ SES	-.250	.137	7.23			3.08
6) Current Occ SES	.403	.116	4.63	.372		4.51

B. United States

4) Education	.282	.018				2.37
5) First Occ SES	.696	.165	5.62			2.08
6) Current Occ SES	-.380	.116	5.69	.297		5.80

[a]Standard errors in parenthesis.

[b]Duncan SES scores assigned to all occupations, classified in major groups.

Table 9: Standardized Regression Coefficients for Stratification Model Based on Figure 1, U.S. and Australian Men in 1962 and 1965, Respectively

Dependent Variables	FAED[a]	FAOCC STATUS	EDUC	FJOB STATUS	R^2	$\sqrt{1-R^2}$
AUSTRALIA, 1965						
R's Education	.489 (.022)[b]	.104 (.022)			.298	.838
First Job Status	-.026 (.025)	.129 (.022)	.487 (.023)		.280	.849
Current Occ Status	.011 (.023)	.101 (.021)	.324 (.024)	.330 (.021)	.382	.786
UNITED STATES, 1962						
R's Education	.340 (.007)	.265 (.007)			.279	.849
First Job Status	.036 (.007)	.180 (.007)	.433 (.007)		.312	.829
Current Occ Status	-.029 (.007)	.095 (.006)	.414 (.007)	.268 (.007)	.406	.771

a
See text for definition of variables.
b Standard errors in parenthesis.

Table 10: Canonical Weights on First and Second Variates of Occupations, Based on Intergenerational and Intragenerational Mobility Matrices, 1965 Australian and 1962 U.S. Men

Australia, 1965

| | FIRST VARIATE | | | | | | SECOND VARIATE | | | | | |
| | FAOCC | | FIRST OCC | | CURRENT | | FAOCC | | FIRST OCC | | CURRENT | |
	A*	B	C	D	E	F	A	B	C	D	E	F
Professional, tech.	-.82	-.76	-.59	3.15	-.64	2.80	2.66	2.50	2.14	1.19	2.16	.95
Managers, Officials, Prop.	-.22	-.55	-.44	.58	-.34	.27	1.36	1.31	.99	-.58	.69	-.60
Clerical	-.68	-.42	-.84	.46	-.42	.17	.82	.75	.93	-.76	.43	-.74
Sales	-.46	-.52	-.45	.32	-.43	.17	.78	.66	.74	-.54	.43	-.56
Craft	-.08	-.08	-.32	-.65	.12	-.66	-.90	-1.32	-1.77	-.29	-.82	.07
Operatives	-.50	-.48	-.47	-.25	-.43	-.44	-.72	-.40	-.44	-.74	-.99	-.69
Service	-.32	-.23	-.46	-.37	-.31	-.35	-.47	-.85	-.95	-.45	-.47	-.33
Nonfarm labor	-.16	.03	.93	-.69	-.05	-.64	-.80	-.70	-.51	.75	-.83	.26
Farmers	2.65	2.64	3.65	-1.20	3.42	-1.12	.20	.45	.87	3.45	.56	3.02
Farm labor	-.40	-.29	-.32	-.39	.22	-.45	-.62	-.52	-.68	-.28	-.96	.00

United States, 1962

| | FIRST VARIATE | | | | | | SECOND VARIATE | | | | | |
| | FAOCC | | FIRST OCC | | CURRENT | | FAOCC | | FIRST OCC | | CURRENT | |
	A	B	C	D	E	F	A	B	C	D	E	F
Prof, tech, kindred	1.63	.99	.88	2.74	1.38	2.26	1.48	2.43	2.23	1.59	.99	1.19
Mgrs, Officials, Prop.	1.28	.92	.79	.63	.76	.37	1.06	1.41	2.56	-.57	.85	-.53
Clerical	1.22	.88	.81	.63	.54	.36	.60	.77	.29	-.52	-.45	-.67
Sales	1.22	.88	.80	.50	1.10	.41	1.09	1.19	.98	-.74	.58	-.73
Craft	.42	.61	.44	-.66	-.11	-.38	-.74	-.62	-.33	-.60	-.72	-.49
Operatives	.11	.53	.29	-.25	-.43	-.51	-1.12	-1.12	-.90	-.61	-.85	-.41
Service	.29	.57	.43	-.15	-.26	-.42	-.94	-.85	-.86	-.62	-.88	-.38
Nonfarm labor	-.27	.23	.02	-.37	-.79	-.69	-1.61	-1.26	-.80	-.46	-.93	-.11
Farmers	-1.31	-1.45	-2.16	-1.41	-2.51	-1.61	.82	.29	.84	2.64	2.43	2.92
Farm laborers	-1.43	-1.65	-2.01	-1.17	-2.30	-1.57	-.66	-.17	.39	1.44	.97	2.32

*Column:	From	Column:	From:
A	Father to current matrix	D	First to current matrix
B	Father to first matrix	E	Father to current matrix
C	Father to first matrix	F	First to current matrix

Table 11:   Canonical Weights on First Variate of Occupations, Based on Intergenerational and Intragenerational Mobility Matrices, 1965 Australian and 1962 U.S. Men of Nonfarm Origins

Occupation Groups	Australia, 1965						United States, 1962					
	FAOCC		FIRST OCC		CURRENT		FAOCC		FIRST OCC		CURRENT	
	A*	B	C	D	E	F	A	B	C	D	E	F
Prof, tech, kindred	2.17	2.09	1.81	2.81	1.84	2.46	1.72	2.07	2.00	2.76	1.37	2.24
Managers, Off, Prop.	1.19	1.16	.98	.42	.67	.14	1.30	1.27	2.37	.35	1.05	1.32
Clerical	.59	.71	.85	.32	.32	.09	.95	.74	.41	.33	.00	.07
Sales	.71	.62	.76	.24	.42	.08	1.25	1.11	.98	.16	.99	.10
Craft	-.98	-1.30	-1.58	-.86	-.99	-.81	-.34	-.40	-.18	-.37	-.62	-.61
Operatives	-.68	-.17	-.23	-.50	-1.01	-.69	-.81	-.84	-.76	-.55	-1.02	-.71
Service	-.37	-.79	-.73	-.53	-.47	-.52	-.57	-.60	-.67	-.48	-.86	-.59
Nonfarm laborers	-.88	-.86	-1.02	-.65	-.95	-.72	-1.41	-1.15	-.86	-.63	-1.40	-.80

*Column: From:
  A   Father to current matrix
  B   Father to first matrix
  C   Father to first matrix
  D   First to current matrix
  E   Father to current matrix
  F   First to current matrix

Table 12: Canonical Correlations Among Occupation Variates,
Australian and U.S. Mobility Matrices

TOTAL MEN

Occupations	Australia		United States	
	First Variate	Second Variate	First Variate	Second Variate
Father and Current Occ	.491	.316	.423	.263
Father and First Occ	.459	.271	.564	.297
First and Currest Occ	.628	.494	.570	.428

NONFARM ORIGIN

	First Variate	First Variate
Father and Current Occ	.337	.348
Father and First Occ	.312	.341
First and Current Occ	.636	.549

Source: Tables 10 and 11.

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Table 13: Correlations of Occupational Variates Between
U.S. and Australia

First Variate, TOTAL MEN			Correlation Coefficient
FAOCC	A*		.60
	B		.66
FIRST OCC	C		.69
	D		.96
CURRENT	E		.73
	F		.93

Second Variate, TOTAL MEN			
FAOCC	A		.89
	B		.93
FIRST OCC	C		.73
	D		.82
CURRENT	E		.32
	F		.80

First Variate, Nonfarm Origin			
FAOCC	A		.93
	B		.92
FIRST OCC	C		.82
	D		.99
CURRENT	E		.92
	F		.92

Source: Tables 10 and 11.

*Row: From:
  A   Father to current matrix
  B   Father to first matrix
  C   Father to first matrix
  D   First to current matrix
  E   Father to current matrix
  F   First to current matrix

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Table 14: Correlations of Canonical Weights and Status Scores for Major Occupation Groups, Australia and U.S. Men

		Duncan SES	Siegel Prestige	Duncan SES	Siegel Prestige
		TOTAL MEN		NONFARM ORIGIN	
Australia					
First Variate					
FAOCC	A*	.38	.13	.94	.84
FAOCC	B	.44	.15	.89	.80
FIRST OCC	C	.44	.15	.86	.73
FIRST OCC	D	.86	.01	.86	.82
CURRENT	E	.41	.16	.94	.83
CURRENT	F	.84	-.02	.85	.81
Second Variate					
FAOCC	A	.90	.15		
FAOCC	B	.83	.02		
FIRST OCC	C	.84	.01		
FIRST OCC	D	.14	.21		
CURRENT	E	.93	.18		
CURRENT	F	.17	.22		
United States					
First Variate					
FAOCC	A	.87	.03	.97	.85
FAOCC	B	.65	.17	.99	.88
FIRST OCC	C	.64	.14	.94	.88
FIRST OCC	D	.89	.02	.87	.85
CURRENT	E	.84	.04	.96	.85
CURRENT	F	.92	.01	.93	.91
Second Variate					
FAOCC	A	.80	.22		
FAOCC	B	.89	.25		
FIRST OCC	C	.78	.25		
FIRST OCC	D	.06	.17		
CURRENT	E	.21	.25		
CURRENT	F	.27	.19		

Source: Tables 10 and 11.

*Row:	From:
A	Father to current matrix
B	Father to first matrix
C	Father to first matrix
D	First to current matrix
E	Father to current matrix
F	First to current matrix

Table A.1: Son's Current Occupation by Father's Current (or
Last) Occupation, Australian Men Aged 20 and Older:
1965

Father's Major Occupation Group	Son's Major Occupation Group: Current Occupation											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Total
					(see stub)							
1) Professional, technical, kindred	33	25	6	11	3	10	3	2	1	1	1	96
2) Managers, officials proprietors	40	67	9	24	13	26	7	11	14	11	2	224
3) Clerical and kindred	6	10	3	3	4	6	2	2	0	1	0	37
4) Sales workers	21	32	3	38	14	21	4	7	4	10	0	154
5) Craftsmen and foremen	12	30	5	16	42	53	7	11	10	22	6	214
6) Operatives	29	59	16	29	34	114	16	30	3	36	1	367
7) Service workers	10	35	5	18	20	25	14	19	3	20	1	170
8) Nonfarm laborers	6	20	5	19	11	37	6	21	7	12	0	144
9) Farmers and farm managers	7	23	4	10	23	17	5	13	87	24	3	216
10) Farm laborers	9	32	5	18	17	38	7	8	2	23	2	161
11) Not ascertained	3	18	2	7	10	18	3	10	19	18	34	142
Total	176	351	63	193	191	365	74	134	150	178	50	1925

Table A.2: Son's First Full-time Occupation by Father's Current (or Last) Occupation, Australian Men Aged 20 and Older: 1965

Father's Major Occupation Group	Son's Major Occupation Group: First Occupation											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Total
					(see stub)							
1) Professional, technical, kindred	26	5	6	23	2	18	1	8	1	5	1	96
2) Managers, officials proprietors	32	26	7	57	13	43	5	23	4	13	1	224
3) Clerical and kindred	2	7	4	4	1	9	1	5	1	3	0	37
4) Sales workers	10	13	3	55	11	29	6	18	2	7	0	154
5) Craftsmen and foremen	12	8	5	30	52	44	3	40	7	12	1	214
6) Operatives	25	21	8	55	28	130	16	44	6	33	1	367
7) Service workers	10	11	2	23	15	32	21	38	1	16	1	170
8) Nonfarm laborers	4	3	6	24	7	38	2	46	1	13	0	144
9) Farmers and farm managers	9	8	0	21	7	20	3	77	61	9	1	216
10) Farm laborers	6	8	4	34	18	38	2	17	6	27	1	161
11) Not ascertained	0	3	1	9	7	24	3	30	1	10	54	142
Total	136	113	46	335	161	425	63	346	91	148	61	1925

Table A.3: Son's Current Occupation by First Full-time Occupation,
Australian Men Aged 20 and Older: 1965

First Major Occupation Group	Son's Current Major Occupation Group											Total
	1	2	3	4	5 (see stub)	6	7	8	9	10	11	
1) Professional, technical, kindred	97	16	1	7	3	4	3	0	2	3	0	136
2) Managers, officials proprietors	12	72	3	3	7	4	2	3	2	4	1	113
3) Clerical and kindred	5	12	14	2	4	5	0	0	0	4	0	46
4) Sales workers	27	90	19	103	9	25	7	21	8	26	0	335
5) Craftsmen and foremen	1	14	1	13	61	28	12	10	3	17	1	161
6) Operatives	21	71	8	20	28	205	14	22	8	24	4	425
7) Service workers	1	15	2	1	7	8	12	8	1	8	0	63
8) Nonfarm laborers	8	26	6	24	44	58	11	59	58	39	13	346
9) Farmers and farm managers	1	8	1	1	8	5	1	3	51	7	5	91
10) Farm laborers	3	21	6	15	16	21	11	6	6	42	1	148
11) Not ascertained	0	6	2	4	4	2	1	2	11	4	25	61
Total	176	351	63	193	191	365	74	134	150	178	50	1925

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