**Thame Inventories Database**

**Tables used for the analysis of appraisers:**

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| Appraisers | Names and standardised names of all appraisers |
| Appraisers (unique) | Unique standardised names of all appraisers, with information from linked sources. Some names may denote multiple individuals. Some names may appear more than once, e.g. because of variations in title. All records with Dup=No represent minimum number of assessors. |
| Appraisers in 1660s | Used for linkage with Hearth Tax |
| New appraisers in 1660 | Individuals appraising only after Restoration |
| Vestrymen | Names of those signing vestry resolutions. |

*Sources*: Inventories held at Oxford History Centre (OHC) and The National Archives, Kew. See Inventories table below for archival references. For transcriptions, see The Data Archive, SN 4132, ‘Thame, Oxfordshire in the Seventeenth Century’. Vestrymen are from OHC, PAR 273/4/F1/2

**Tables providing information about the inventories and the possessions they describe:**

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| Inventories | Master table of name of deceased and other information from inventories. Docno1 provides archival reference, from Oxfordshire History Centre or TNA. Includes classification of inventory type. |
| Items | Information about each individually valued, including description and value. |
| Objects | Information about individual object, including number of goods |
| Refinements | Separates terms uses to describe objects |
| Standard Objects | Standardises object names |

*Sources*: as above.

**Tables copied from Thame 17C Database and subsequently amended:**

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| InvValue | Value of different categories of goods, including household goods, in inventory. |
| Probate | Name of deceased and other information about inventory. Similar to Inventory table. |
| Wardens | Names of churchwardens. Transcribed from F. G. Lee, *The History, Description, and Antiquities of the Prebendal Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Thame* (London, 1883). Spot checking with churchwardens’ book, OHC, PAR 273/4/F1/2, suggests that year is sometimes incorrect. Churchwardens’ book has also been used to add names from some missing years. |

*Source*: The Data Archive, SN 4132, ‘Thame, Oxfordshire in the Seventeenth Century’, which also has tables from hearth tax, parish registers, manorial court books, and other sources.

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