

Term Used in Years Gone By	Modern Day Equivalent
Saferman	Grower of saffron
Sager	Lawyer (normally in Yorkshire)
Sagger maker	Pottery worker
Salarius	Salter
Salster	Maker of or dealer in salt
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Saltpetre Men	Searchers for nitre for gunpowder
Samite	Maker of heavy silk
Samitere	Maker of heavy silk
Sanger	Singer
Sangster	Singer
Saponarius	Soap boiler
Sarrant	Servant (mostly used in Somerset)
Sarrator	Sawyer
Sartor	Tailor
Sauntere	Salt maker
Sausere	Salter
Sawyer	One who saws timber into planks
Saymaker	Maker of a say - a cloth of fine texture wool resembling serge but in 16th century partly of silk
Scag	Ragged tear in clothes; To get caught on something like wire
Scagliola maker	Maker of imitation marble
Scaldrag	One who boils rags
Scaleraker	Town scavenger
Scapebegotten	Bastard
Scappler	Rough stoneworker
Scattring	Vagabond
Scaut	To strain or push; To carry a heavy load
Scavelman	Man employed to scour waterways
Scavenger	Urban Official responsible for keeping streets clean; One who took toll exacted of merchant strangers on goods offered for sale
Scissor	Barber; Tailor
Sclatarius	Slater
Scram	Awkward
Scrammy-handed	Left handed
Screeener	Surface mine working
Scriba	Scrivenor
Scribus	Scrivenor
Scrimmer	Fencing master
Scrivener	Clerk who specialised in drawing up bonds/contracts; Writing master; Transcriber
Sculler	One who rows a boat by himself
Scutcher	One who beat flax
Sealer	One who inspects, tests, and certifies weights and measures
Searcher	One who examines corpses and reports cause of death, usually a woman; Customhouse inspector; Meat of factory goods inspector
Second chap	Waggoner's senior assistant
Second poor	Poor not in receipt of relief
Sedekine	Sub Dean
Seedsman	Foreman on farm whose duty is to select and sow the corn; second foreman in Lincolnshire
Seer	Overlooker more often used in Somerset; Overseer; Foreman
Seinter	Girdlemaker
Selectmen	Vestrymen
Seler	Saddler
Selfactor minder	One who looks after selfacting mule in spinning
Sellarius	Saddler

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Sellarius	Salter
Sempster	Tailor; Seamstress
Seneschal	Steward
Sergeant	Sherrifs Officer; Military Non Commissioned Officer
Sergeant-at-law	Highly qualified lawyer
Serifaber	Locksmith
Serjeant	Military Non Commissioned Officer
Serviens	Sergeant
Servus	Servant
Setter-out	Editor
Sevand	Servant
Sewer	One who serves up a feast
Sewster	Sempstress
Sexton	Caretaker, cleaner, repairer of church; sometimes grave-digger or bell-ringer
Shandy	A row about nothing in particular
Shaper	Tailor or Seamstress
Shapster	Tailor or Seamstress
Shard	A gap or hole in a hedge, generally large enough for a child to crawl through
Shearer	One who removes fleece from sheep and other animals
Shearman	One who raises and shears surface of cloth
Sheldrake	Street cleaner; scavenger
Shepherd	Male in charge of flocks of sheep
Shepherdess	Female in charge of flocks of sheep
Shepster	Female pattern cutter in dressmaking
Sherman	One who raises and shears surface of cloth
Shether	Scabbard maker
Shifter	Superintendent; Removal man
Shingler	One who cuts shingles; one who shingles houses
Shitsack Day	King Charles Day - 29th May when children carried shitsack (sprigs of young oak or ash) in the morning and powder-monkey or Even-ash leaves in the afternoon
Shock-shack Day	King Charles Day - 29th May when children carried shitsack (sprigs of young oak or ash) in the morning and powder-monkey or Even-ash leaves in the afternoon
Shoddy worker	Rag tearer
Shoe-finder	One who sells shoemakers tools
Shot	Foot soldier who carried fire-arms
Shot of	To rid oneself of a thing
Shrammed	Cold; perished with cold; cold to the very bones
Shut of	To rid oneself of a thing
Sidesmen	Synodsmen or questmen; Deputy churchwardens
Sifker	Sieve maker
Silk throwster	Silk spinner; by means of a mill one who prepared the raw silk for the weaver
Sillister	Solicitor
Silverer	Maker of looking glasses
Simister	Seamstress
Simphoner	Musician
Simpler	Herbalist
Sissor	Tailor
Sister-son	Nephew
Skag	Ragged tear in clothes; To get caught on something like wire
Skeg	Ragged tear in clothes; To get caught on something like wire
Skepper	Beehive maker
Skiffley	Showery
Skillin	Pent house; outhouse; cowshed
Skilling	Pent house; outhouse; cowshed

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Skinker	Tapster; Drawer (of liquids)
Skinner	One id the fur trade; dealer in skins and hides
Skip-boy	A boy attendant to the captain of a ship
Skip-kennel	Lackey; Footboy
Slab	Bricklayer's boy
Slammock	Slatternly woman
Slapper	One who slapped lumps of clay heavily on beanch prior to it being worked in pottery
Slewed	Worse for drink; drunk
Sleymaker	Maker of thread partin instruments; Maker of weavers' reeds
Slinger	One who steals cloth or yarn from a clothier to work up or finish
Slop-seller	One who sells ready made clothes or all sorts of old clothes
Slubber	One who spins cotton
Sluggard waker	Dog whipper; minor official of church
Slummock	Slatternly woman
Smart	A second swarm of bees
Smasher	Pitman
Smiter	Assistant blacksmith who uses the bout-hammer
Smith	Metal worker
Snap	Lad or servant mainly used in Yorkshire
Snipper	Tailor
Snob	Apprentice show-maker; cobbler
Snobber	Apprentice show-maker; cobbler
Soap boiler	Soap maker
Socman	Early term for a tenant holding land in socage; free tenant
Sojourner	Temporary resident in a parish
Solutus	Bachelor
Somewhen	Sometime
Soper	Soap-maker
Sorner	Beggar used mainly in Scotland
Sostren	Sisters
Souter	Shoe maker; cobbler
Sowster	Sempstress
Spadiard	Labourer or mineworker
Spagyrist	Chemist
Spaller	Labourer in tin works
Sparmaker	Maker of spars for thatchers
Speciarius	Spicer; Grocer
Spencer	One who has care of the buttery or larder
Sperviter	Keeper of sparrow hawks
Spicer	Grocer
Spinner	One who spins slivers from wool-comber into skeins
Spittleman	Hospital attendant
Splitter	One who separates in biscuit making
Sportarius	Basket maker
Sporyar	Spurrier
Spreeve	Sore skin on hands, legs and face especially around the lips caused by cold weather; Chapped and sore lips
Spreeved	Suffering from Chapped or sore lips or sore skin on hands, legs and face from the cold weather
Spurrier	Maker of spurs
Squatters	persons enclosong scraps of common & building cottages
Squiffy	A little tipsy
Squire	Principal landowner in rural village, often ultimate successor to medieval lord of the manor
Stabler	Ostler

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Stabularius	Ostler
Stampman	Worker in an ore-crushing mill
Stangey	Tailor
Stannarius	Tinsmith or pewterer
Stapler	Dealer in staple commodities
Stasyon	Stationer
Statesman	One who Occupies his own estate; a small landowner
Statuary	Sculptor
Stawson	Stationer
Steamer	Stover; One who bleaches in the woollen and printing trade
Steaver	Collier who superintends the coal-pit; Banksman
Steelyardmaker	One who makes lever balances
Steersman	Helmsman of a ship
Steersmate	Pilot; One who steers
Stenterer	Worker in cloth finishing
Steward	One who kept records of manorial courts etc.; Supervises bailiffs; Senior officer of a manor
Stickler	Umpire; One who settles disputes; Second to a duellist
Stitch	Tailor
Stocah	Horseboy
Stocker	Person employed to fell or grub up trees
Stockiner	Stocking weaver; knitter
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Stoneman	Waywarden
Stonewarden	Oversser of a highway
Stotherd	Herder of stotts (bullocks or horses)
Stover	Steamer; One who bleaches in the woollen and printing trade
Stranger	New resident
Strapper	Odd job man
Straw-hat-maker	One who makes up hats after th straw is braided or plaited
Strawjoiner	A thatcher (mainly used in Devon)
Strawjoyner	A thatcher (mainly used in Devon)
Street-orderly	Scavenger
Street-ward	parish officer in charge of streets
Striker	Assistant to blacksmith
Stringer	One who made strings for bows
Structor	Builder; mason; Bricklayer
Stuffmaker	Maker of stuff - a rich textile
Substitue	Person provided to replace a parishioner (normally of affluent background) drawn for service in the militia
Sucken	Tenants compelled to bring their grain to be ground at the manorial mills
Sucturne	Tenants compelled to bring their grain to be ground at the manorial mills
Sugar baker	Molasses boiler
Summoner	Apparitor
Summunder	Apparitor
Sumner	Apparitor
Sureties	Godparents; Those giving security for performance of bond
Surface-man	Line worker on the railway
Surrogate	Clergyman authorised to issue marriage licesnses
Surveyor of highways	Waywarden
Susceptor	Godfather
Sutler	One who follows an army and sells provisions to the troops
Sutor	Shoemaker; Cobbler

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Sutter	Shoemaker; Cobbler
Swadder	Pedlar
Swager	Brother-in-law (manly used in County Durham)
Swailer	Dealer in Corn; Miller
Swain	Herdsman or servant
Swaine	Herdsman or servant
Swaler	One who buys corn and converts it into meal before reselling it especially is Cheshire
Swaller	Dealer in Corn; Miller
Swealer	Dealer in Corn; Miller
Sweep-washer	One who extracts small residues from sweepings of gold or silver refineries
Swineherd	One who cares for pigs
Swinyard	Keeper of swine
Switchman	Pointsman on a railway
Sword-player	Fencer