

CUP Online Appendix 10: Number of parishes for which Collectors or assessments for the poor were mentioned, 1552–1598¹

	1552–59	1560–69	1570–79	1580–89	1590–98	1552–98 total
No. of parishes for which there is a specific mention of Collectors for the Poor, in some cases including their accounts	22	27	87	70	81	
No. of additional parishes in which Collectors are not mentioned, but reference is made to assessments or rates for the poor or to people who were not paying their assessments for the poor	3	11	17	9	17	
Total no. of parishes with references to Collectors or assessments/rates for poor at some time between 1552 and 1598	25	38	104	79	98	208

Note:

¹ This table excludes references to Collectors for the Poor when appointed for wards within cities/boroughs, not for parishes. It also excludes references to Collectors in wills. Use of the latter would have raised the totals greatly, but in an uneven fashion.

Sources

Churchwardens' accounts as cited in References, pt. 1, plus a wide variety of other ecclesiastical, urban, and equity court records. Many of the latter are mentioned in the text and notes.