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FOREWORD

THE articles which appear in this volume are the first in a series of Surveys specially commissioned by the Social Science Research Council and the Royal Economic Society and originally published in the *Economic Journal*. Each survey is designed to provide a comprehensive review of research results in a major area of applied economics, including reference where appropriate to relevant theoretical work. Each is written by a specialist but aimed at the general economist rather than the specialist in the field covered.

The first of the Surveys reprinted here, that by A. J. Brown on Regional Economics, was originally published in the December 1969 *Economic Journal* but since it dealt with a subject of live current research activity it was revised and brought up to date in September 1972. The article by Aubrey Silberston on Price Behaviour of Firms appeared in the September 1970 *Economic Journal*. The other two articles—by Charles Kennedy and A. P. Thirlwall on Technical Progress and by Alan Brown and Angus Deaton on Models of Consumer Behaviour—appeared in the March and December issues respectively of the 1972 *Economic Journal*.

Five further articles in the series have already been commissioned and Volume 2 of *Surveys of Applied Economics* is planned for publication in 1975. These volumes thus represent a continuation into the field of applied economics of the *Surveys of Economic Theory*, Volumes 1–3, 1965–6, published by Macmillan for the Royal Economic Society and the American Economic Association.

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