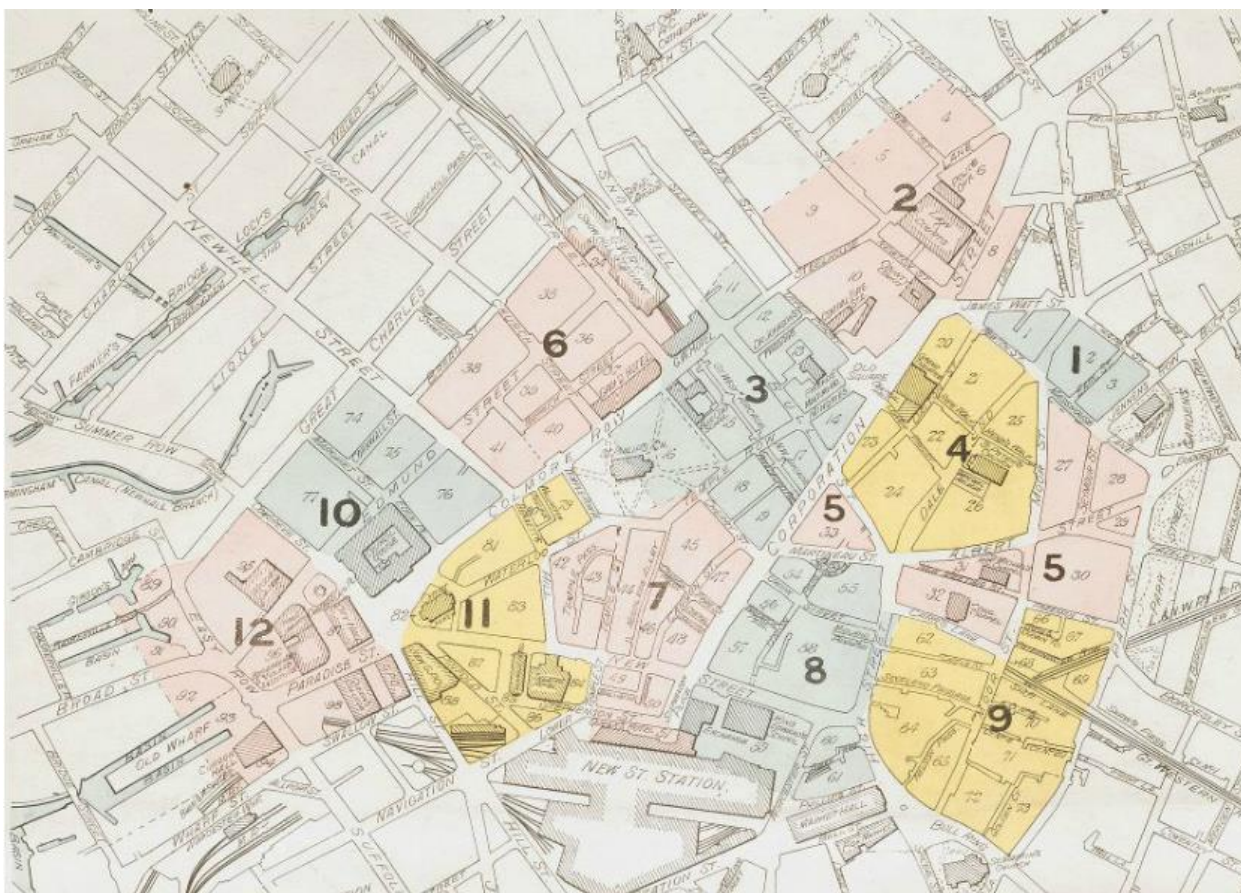


Goad Fire Insurance maps 1889 & 1895

Key Plan 1

This "key plan" indicates coverage of the Goad 1889 series of fire insurance maps of Birmingham that were originally produced to aid insurance companies in assessing fire risks. The building footprints, their use (commercial, residential, educational, etc.), the number of floors and the height of the building, as well as construction materials (and thus risk of burning) and special fire hazards (chemicals, kilns, ovens) were documented in order to estimate premiums. Names of individual businesses, property lines, and addresses were also often recorded.



The following gives an indication of the streets covered by the individual sheets for Birmingham.

Sheet	Year	Streets
Vol I		
1	1889	Covers James Watt St/ Masshouse/ Chapel St/ Jennens Road <i>Note: This sheet doesn't appear to be on site – reported to British Library</i>
2	1889	Steelhouse Lane / Corporation St/ Wearman St/ Newton St
3	1889	Colmore Row/Bull St/ Temple Row/ Minories
4	1889	Dale End/ Dalton St/ Corporation St/ Albert St/ Bull St

5-1	1889	Moor St/ Albert St/ Fazeley St
5-2	1889	Bull St / Martineau St
6	1889	Livery St/ Colmore Row/ Newhall St
7	1889	New St/ Temple St/ Canon St/ Corporation St
8	1889	New St/ Corporation St/ High St/ Worcester St
9	1889	Moor St/ High St/ Bull Ring
10	1889	Newhall St/ Colmore Row/ Gt Charles St/ Edmund St/ Congreve St/ Margaret St/ Eden Place
11	1889	Temple Row West/ Bennett's Hill/ Waterloo St/ New St/ Pinfold St
12	1889	Easy Row/ Paradise St/ Edmund St

VOL II		This detailed 1895 plan of Birmingham is one of a series of twelve sheets in an atlas originally produced to aid insurance companies in assessing fire risks. The building footprints, their use (commercial, residential, educational, etc.), the number of floors and the height of the building, as well as construction materials (and thus risk of burning) and special fire hazards (chemicals, kilns, ovens) were documented in order to estimate premiums. Names of individual businesses, property lines, and addresses were also often recorded. Together these maps provide a rich historical snapshot of the commercial activity and urban landscape of towns and cities at the time.
13	1895	Meriden St/ Park St/ Digbeth St
14	1895	Hinckley St/ Smallbrook St/ Ladywell/ Pershore St
15	1895	Phillips St/ Bell St/ Edgbaston St/ Upper Dean St
16	1895	Upper Dean St/ Bromsgrove St/ Jamaica Row/ Pershore St/ Sherlock St
17	1895	Jamaica Row/ Digbeth St/ St Martins/ Bull Ring
18	1895	Coventry Street/ Oxford St/ Digbeth St/ Rea St/ Bradford St
19	1895	Coventry St/ Milk St/ Floodgate St/ Bradford St

20	1895	Bradford St/ Cheapside/ Rea St/ Barford St/ Moseley St
21	1895	Bradford St/ Cheapside/ Birchall St/ Rea St/ Moseley St
22	1895	Moseley St/ Skinner Lane/ Sherlock St/ Bishop St/ Barford St/ Lower Hurst St
23	1895	Moseley St/ Barford St/ Rea St South/ Charles Henry St
24-1	1895	Holloway head/ Exeter St/ Bow St/ Horse Fair/ Ernest St/ Irving St
24-2	1895	Ernest St/ Exeter St/ Windmill St/ Bow St