

AIM: What were the Effects of the Industrial Revolution? Were the Effects overall more positive or negative?

Task: Using the three primary/secondary source readings: “Early Industrial Society: Progress or Decline?” “The Family and Industrialization in Western Europe” and “The Condition of the Working Class in England,” as well as your textbook pages 677-683 fill in the chart below as completely as possible with bullet-pointed notes.

POSITIVE EFFECTS

The “optimistic historians” tended to look at statistical evidence like the effects on wages, prices, mortality, and standard of living.

NEGATIVE EFFECTS

The “pessimistic historians” tended to look at the psychological, cultural, and social impact on people, as well as standard of living.