

INDEX OF TREE-RING DATED BUILDINGS IN ENGLAND COUNTY LIST approximately in chronological order, revised to VA51 (2020).

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Since 2016 a very small number of construction date ranges from historical sources have been added. These entries are entirely in italics.

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LANCASHIRE

This file includes some buildings now in Greater Manchester.

County – Historic and later	Felling date range	Placename	Address	VA ref HE ref Other refs	Description / keywords	NGR
Lancs	1265 +	Lancaster	Lancaster Castle	26.57 Sh	The Witche's Tower - Brackets, corbel. Also see 1380-1420.	SD 470615
Lancs	1280 +	Golborne	Lightshaw Hall	28.143 Sh	Waterlogged sill beam and re-used tiebeam. Also see 1553.	SJ 616996
Lancs	1348 -73	Salford	Ordsall Hall Taylorson Street	36.87 Notm CfA 49/2004	East wing. Short curved braces to 1st-floor moulded beam. Splayed heads to posts. Curved knee-braces to heavily-cranked tiebeams. Crown posts with jowled feet, and heads which clasp the collar-purlin; curved braces down to tiebeam and up to collar-purlin. Rafter couples have collars stiffened by soulaces with open notched lap joints. Also see 1348 -83 and 1512.	SJ 815973
Lancs	1348 -83	Salford	Ordsall Hall, Taylorson Street	25.36 Notm	Chapel roof? Collar-plate, numerous braces from crown posts to tiebeams and collars.	SJ 815973
Lancs	1379 -1404	Lancaster	Lancaster Castle	48.97 Notm RRS 35/2016	Great Hall roof – wall posts and arch-braced tiebeams belonging to former roof. Also see 1404.	SD 473618
Lancs	1380 -1420	Lancaster	Lancaster Castle	26.57 Sh	The Witches Tower. Tiebeams, purlins, ridge purlin ...	SD 470615
Lancs	1400 +	Manchester	Chetham's Library and School	32.88 Sh	Priest's college founded 1421. Scriptorium roof. Arch-brace, tiebeam, collar, crown post, soulace.	SJ 839989
Lancs	1404	Lancaster	Lancaster Castle	48.97 Notm RRS 35/2016	Gatehouse: tiebeams and braces. For Great Hall roof see 1379 -1404.	SD 473618
Lancs (GrMan)	1410 -30	Manchester	Chetham's Library and School	32.88 Sh	On east side of cloister the large stone hall has arch-braced collar and tiebeams and very short crown posts. Also see 1400 +: 1581-1608: after 1679. Other dates obtained at Chetham's include: 1429 for the cloister north walkway ceiling 1411 -47 for the cloister south walkway ceiling 1410 after, for the NW cloister corridor 1413-48 for the SW cloister corridor 1409-45 for the north range roof 1410-42 for the west range ceiling 1406 -24 for the south range ceiling.	SJ 839989
Lancs	1427	Middleton / Rochdale	Hopwood Hall, Rochdale Rd,	35.92 Notm CfA 70/2003	Hall spere truss with cusping in side panels and arch-braces to cambered tiebeam. [Crown] strut up to collar, cusped and straight raked struts.	SD 874082
Lancs	1438 -71	Barrowford	Pendle Heritage Centre, Park Hill	34.111 Oxf	Post buried within stone wall in wing.	SD 862397
Lancs	1475 +	Lathom	Lathom House	31.116 UoW	Country house. Re-used timbers in west wing of c.1736 -64(?) (qv).	SD 459092
Lancs	1488	Bury	Deardon Fold Farmhouse	30.119 Sh AML 66/98	Hall and cross-wing. No roof details. Also see 1623.	SD 758103
Lancs	1488		Peel Hall	13.48 LP	'... beam and board floor.' Also 1493, 1496, 1497, 1498, 1504. In VA18.57 date given as 1481+0	SJ 833873

Lancs	1491	Littleborough	Stubley Old Hall, Featherstall Road	35.74 MB CfA 85/2003	Timber-framed. H-plan. Date is for cruck blade in south wing.	SD 928161
Lancs	1478 -1508	Whalley	Whalley Abbey	39.113 MB RDR 66/2007	Abbot's Lodgings. Samples from E wing ground floor room.	SD 731360
Lancs	1495 /6	Ashton-under-Lyne	Taunton Hall and Old Hall Fold, Newmarket Road	35.74 MB CfA 65/2003	T-plan. Taunton Hall – the stem of the T – cruck-framed. Dated purlins in (cruck-framed) Old Hall Fold are not primary.	SD 927004
Lancs	1493-1518	Whalley	Whalley Abbey	47.77 Notm RRS 3/2015	Moulded arch braces and 6 king post trusses in great hall roof. (For North range see 1521-24).	SD 731360
Lancs	1512	Salford	Ordsall Hall, Taylorson Street	25.36 Notm 36.87 Notm CfA 49/2004	Hall with <i>spere truss: arch-braced tiebeam</i> , principals, two tiers of side purlins: (arch-braced common rafter collars). Also see 1363 (East Wing). Hall and linking block also dated to 1512. 2-storey high closed truss at end of hall has <i>girding beam and rails, curved up-braces in large panels</i> but above the <i>tiebeam</i> there is a <i>king-strut</i> and small square panels contain <i>quatrefoil decorative bracing</i> . 3 tiers of <i>trenched side purlins + ridge purlin</i> . Also see 1534 +.	SJ 815973
Lancs	1521 -24	Whalley	Whalley Abbey	47.77 Notm RRS 3/2015	North Range stables roof includes tiebeams, principals, king posts – 1521. Lintels in North Range 1521. Also see 1550 -75.	SD 731360
Lancs	1509 -43	Lydiate	Lydiate Hall	31.89 LP (1)	Collapsed in 1980. Structural timbers from a courtyard house. Also 1541-1564.	SD 364047
Lancs	1525/6 1529/30	Edenfield	Dry Gap Farm Barn	41.87 RADG/09/09	Barn. Stone gables. 3 cruck trusses, apex type A. Staggered <i>trenched purlins</i>	SD 806178
Lancs	1529 /30	Speke	Speke Hall, The Walk	23.53 Notm	Hall. Small square decorative wall panels. <i>Tiebeams</i> and rafters dated.	SJ 410820
Lancs	1531	Speke	Speke Hall, The Walk	23.53 Notm	Parlour. Tiebeam & collar, rafters. Also see 1529	SJ 410820
Lancs	1522 -50	Sawley	Arches Cottages (east cottage)	31.124 Sh AML 21/2000	<i>Tiebeam</i> , king post, <i>girding beam</i> .	SD 776465
Lancs	1530 -50	Turton	Turton Tower, Chapelton Rd	40.114 Notm	Manorial. Cruck range added to N side of tower-house. Timber in S porch dated 1655 after, and main staircase timber dated 1666-82.	SD 730152
Lancs	1540 /1	Cliviger (nr. Burnley)	Barcroft Hall	38.115 DCL	Roof on NE Wing (The Cottage). King posts, 2 tiers of purlins and 4 short wind braces forming diamond settings. Also see 1606 -20.	SD 865304
Lancs	1544	Speke	Speke Hall, The Walk	23.53 Notm	West range. <i>Collars</i> & rafters dated. Also see 1544.	SJ 410820
Lancs	1538 -53	Chorley	Worden Old Hall, Euxton Lane	35.74 MB CfA 47/2003	7-bay roof over hall. <i>Tiebeams, principals</i> , two tiers of <i>tenoned purlins plus ridge piece</i> . Short wind braces.	SD 561209
Lancs	1534 + 1549 +	Salford	Ordsall Hall, Taylorson Street	36.87 Notm CfA 49/2004	Annex. Also see 1348 -73 and 1512.	SJ 815973
Lancs (GrMan)	1553	Golborne	Lightshaw Hall	28.143 Sh	No roof details.	SJ 616996
Lancs (GrMan)	1554	Stayley Hall	Stayley Hall	13.48 LP	Also 1568,1574. No details.	SJ 975997
Lancs	1541 -77	Lydiate	Scotch Piper Inn	31.90 LP (2)	Two cruck trusses, apex types A and F3. Fire in 1985.	SD 365048
Lancs	1559 c.	Parbold	West Barn, Common Lane	43.89 Notm RDRS 111/2011	Aisled barn (now 1 but originally 2?) Curved braces from aisle posts to aisle plate. Arch-braced tiebeams, principals, queen struts to high collars. In nave, 2 tiers of side purlins, straight wind braces, single purlin in aisle.	SD 490116
Lancs	1550 -75	Whalley	Whalley Abbey	47.77 Notm RRS 3/2015	North range stables roof modified with timber felled 1549-74. Bothy roof timbers 1504 and 1559. Partition between carriage house and lobby 1524 and 1550-75. (For earlier North Range stables roof see 1521 -24).	SD 731360
Lancs	1565 -70	Dutton	Hougher Fall Farm	45.111 Notm	Stone barn, 3 bays. 3 full cruck trusses. 2 spurs to each blade. Yokes near apex, & blades meet to support ridge purlin. 2 tiers of purlins, curved wind braces.	SD 651393
Lancs (GrMan)	1556 -81	Middleton	The Olde Boar's Head, Long St.	47.77 Notm	Bay 4 has small square panels. (For bays 1 and 2 see 1622).	SD 870062

Lancs	1563 -1587	Hurstwood	The Great Barn	30.122 Sh	Stone? Aisled barn.	SD 882314
Lancs	1561 -97	Whalley	Great Stone Edge Farm, Blacko	39.130 DCL	Barn. Aisled. Stone & box-framed. Arcade plates with splayed and bridled scarfs. Tiebeams, king posts, principals, staggered purlins, ridge purlin.	SD 863411
Lancs	1563 -98	Newton-le-Willows	158 -160 High Street	35.93 Notm CfA 66/2003	(Formerly listed under St Helens, Merseyside). Two structures separated by a cruck truss, so plausibly alternate reconstruction. Other dates for No 158 include 1597 - 1632 and 1642 -77. Dates for No 160 are 1572 -1607 and 1615.	TF 454759
Lancs (GrMan)	1569 -1601	Clayton	Clayton Hall	31.89 LP	Possibly 1580-1619. Demolished. Did the dated structural timbers include the crown post?	SJ 881985
Lancs (GrMan)	1584-86	Salford	Monk's Hall, Eccles	41.95 Notm RDR 3/2010	Timber-framed service wing. Full-height posts and studs, 3-panel high walls with straight and inverted curved braces.	SJ 776990
Lancs (GrMan)	1581 -1608	Manchester	Chetham's Library and School	32.88 Sh	NE corner of cloister walkway.	SJ 839989
Lancs	1598	Speke	Speke Hall, The Walk (NT)	23.53 Notm	East range. Purlins & rafters dated.	SJ 410820
Lancs	1601 /2	Horwich	Building 1, Sefton Fold	25.25 Sh	No roof details.	SD 648097
Lancs (GrMan)	1589 -1614	Middleton (Nr Rochdale)	Tonge Hall, William St.	46.98 Notm RRS 43/2014	Large timber-framed house. Walls inc. decorative quatrefoil panels, coved jetties, projecting gables. Principal rafter trusses with tiebeams and raking queen struts. 2 tiers of side purlins. (Also see 1640 -65).	SD 877058
Lancs	1606 -20	Cliviger (nr. Burnley)	Barcroft Hall	38.115 DCL	E-plan country house /mansion. Similar SW wing roof and 2-bay central range (date range 1607 -25) have king posts, principal rafters, 'joggled' [staggered?] purlins, ridge purlins. Felling date for timber in hall ceiling 1609 /10. For NE Wing roof see 1540 /1.	SD 865304
Lancs	1579 -? 1623	Bolton	Hall I' Th' Wood	28.143 Sh	No framing or roof details. Only a wide date range obtained.	SO 724116
Lancs (GrMan)	1622	Middleton	The Olde Boar's Head, Long St.	47.77 Notm	Bays 1 and 2 originally a wing? Gable has quatrefoils in small panels. (For bay 4 see 1556 -81. No details given for bay 5 of 1654d).	SD 870062
Lancs	1623	Bury	Deardon Fold Farmhouse	30.119 Sh AML 66/98.	Beam over cellar in house of 1488 (qv).	SD 758103
Lancs	1630 +	[nr. Warrington?]	Bewsey Hall	13.48 LP	Date cited is from VA18.56. Demolished c.1950.	SJ 586896
Lancs	1632	Pilling	Field House, Field House Lane	41.97 Notm	Thatched. 2 cruck trusses with type 2 apexes. Straight wind braces up to a single tier of side purlins.	SD 411483
Lancs	1628 -51	Chorley	Buckshaw Hall, Euxton Lane	34.92 MB CfA 45/2003	Samples from a 'Building at Risk'.	SD 563202
Lancs (GrMan)	1628 -56	Birkdale	The Cottage, 74 Liverpool Road	31.125 Sh AML 20/2000	Two-bay cruck house with later box-framed extension.	SD 332154
Lancs (GrMan)	1650	Astley	Astley Hospital	33.108 Notm	Formerly Dam House. Brick & timber-framed.	NY 991391
Lancs (GrMan)	1640 -65	Middleton (Nr Rochdale)	Tonge Hall, William St.	46.98 Notm RRS 43/2014	First-floor partition in hall range. (For main phase see 1589 -1614, and also see 1697-1722).	SD 877058
Lancs	1655 +	Turton	Turton Tower, Chapeltown Rd	40.114 Notm RDR 93/2008	Timber in S porch dated 1655 +. Now stone to ground floor. Jettied, close-studding with mid-rail, small square panels, decorative panels, coved jetty to twin gables. For cruck range see 1530-50.	SD 730152
Lancs	1679 +	Manchester	Chetham's Library and School	32.88 Sh	Cloister shutters.	SJ 839989
Lancs (GrMan)	1682 c. to 1683 /84	Astley	Coldahurst Farm, Coldahurst Lane	51.118 MAFH/03/19	Brick farmhouse with central chimney. Roof concealed. (Purlin of 1709 /10 d in farmhouse extension. Demolished. (For barn see 1714 /15).	SD 698004
Lancs	1693	Turton	Turton Tower, Chapeltown Road	40.119 DCL	5 plain A-frame trusses: arch-braced tiebeams, 3 tiers of side purlins + ridge purlin. Also see 1530 -50.	SD 731151
Lancs (GrMan)	1697 -1722	Middleton (Nr Rochdale)	Tonge Hall, William St.	46.98 Notm RRS 43/2014	Attic floor boards in wing. (For main phase see 1589 -1614, and also see 1640 -65).	SD 877058

Lancs (GrMan)	1714 /15	Astley	Coldahurst Farm, Coldahurst Lane	51.118 MAFH/03/19	Gabled brick barn. 1 king-post truss and 1 tiebeam and collar truss. (For brick farmhouse see 1682 c. to 1683 /84).	SD 698004
Lancs	1736 -64 ?	Lathom	Lathom House	31.116 UoW AML 5/2000	Surviving west wing of a house largely demolished in 1925. Also see 1475 after.	SD 459092
Lancs	1753/54	Lancaster	Malthouse, Mitchell's Brewery	41.97 Notm RDR 29/2010	Malthouse	SD 479617
Lancs (GrMan)	1510 -1535	Salford	Kersall (monastic cell)	19.46 Notm (3)	Hall and wing. Cruck.	SD 810955

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