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GMB27	Road Vehicle Engineering	2,044
GMB28	Railway Engineering	1,072
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GMB30	Aircraft and Aerospace Engineering	3,267
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GMB32	Aerospace Components and Fasteners	1,134
GMB33	Materials Handling Equipment	1,096
GMB34	Packaging and Distribution Of Goods	909
GMB35	Textiles, Leather and Clothing	2,175
GMB36	Agriculture and Agricultural Engineering	1,536
GMB37	Food Technology	1,891

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GMB45	Plastics Industry	3,231	
GMB46	Paper Products and Technology	622	
GMB47	Paint and Colour Industries	1,024	
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