## **Copper Refining: Fact file**

World production	15 million tonnes per year (13 million tonnes primary copper, 2 million tonnes from recycling)
UK production	Zero
Manufacture	Electrolytic purification
Raw material	Copper-containing scrap or 'blister copper', which is impure copper that has been extracted from copper ore.



Figure: Chart to show the percentage amount of copper used for different sectors.

Table: Table to show the percentage amount of copper used for different sectors (as shown above).
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Electrical (eg wiring, motors)	57%
Construction (eg plumbing, roofing)	19%
Industrial machinery (eg heat exchangers)	17%
Other (eg coinage)	7%