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EUROSTAT

Directorate F: Social Statistics  
Unit F-4: Quality of Life

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**Subject: Information note on the use of the 2010 longitudinal UDB SILC release**

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am pleased to send you the revised longitudinal UDB SILC L-2010

It contains data from

2007 for AT, BE, BG, CH, CY, CZ, DK, EE, EL, ES, FI, FR, HU, IT, LT, LU, LV, MT, NL, PL, PT, RO, SE, SI, SK, UK, IS, NO

Up to 2010

The CD-ROM includes:

- The 2010 longitudinal EU-SILC UDB, 4 self-extracting files, encrypted;
  - UDB\_L10D\_ver 2010-5 from 01-08-14.csv.gpg
  - UDB\_L10R\_ver 2010-5 from 01-08-14.csv.gpg
  - UDB\_L10H\_ver 2010-5 from 01-08-14.csv.gpg
  - UDB\_L10P\_ver 2010-5 from 01-08-14.csv.gpg
  
- The documentation of the EU-SILC UDB:
  - Terms of use.pdf and Guidelines for Publication.pdf. They describe how confidential data for scientific purposes shall be used and published by the researchers.
  - Guidelines 2010.doc. It describes the survey, the variables including the module and the recommendations as they were given to the countries to collect the data.
  - Differences between data collected and UDB.doc. It describes the changes that were done on the UDB compared to the collected data (as described in the guidelines)
  - SILC L-2010 UDB PROBLEMS AND MODIFICATIONS.xls: describing the already established mistakes modifications and particularities.
  - Available national quality reports of countries not allowing their publication on CIRCABC.

- A decryption programme to open the EU-SILC UDB:
  - winpt-install-1.0rc2.exe
- Instructions for decryption:
  - README\_to\_decrypt.doc
  - Windows Quick Inst. Guide\_decrypt.doc

When publishing statistics derived from the longitudinal UDB SILC 2010, please state as source: "*EUSILC LONGITUDINAL UDB 2010 – version-5 of August 2014*"

Please note that the CD-Rom contains detailed documentation relating to the data. More information when available regarding EU-SILC will also be posted on our circabc site

<https://circabc.europa.eu/w/browse/853b48e6-a00f-4d22-87db-c40bafd0161d>

Especially:

Comparative EU quality reports:

[http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page/portal/income\\_social\\_inclusion\\_living\\_conditions/quality/eu\\_quality\\_reports](http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page/portal/income_social_inclusion_living_conditions/quality/eu_quality_reports)

Available national quality reports (*Library\05. Quality assessment\5.1 National Quality Reports – Public*):

<https://circabc.europa.eu/w/browse/7af111b3-b700-4321-9902-695082dcb7e1>

*NB: Available national quality reports of the countries which do not allow the publication on CIRCABC can be found on the CD in the directory \Documentation\L-2010 Quality Reports.*

Available national questionnaires (*Library\06. National questionnaires*):

<https://circabc.europa.eu/w/browse/cdb68c5c-951e-4244-ae18-ba914374fc19>

UDB documentation, tools and PPPs (*Library\04. Data and Indicators Dissemination\4.1 User Database (UDB)*):

<https://circabc.europa.eu/w/browse/2657d26b-9780-4ca0-bde1-9f21559b964a>

SAS code for uploading the CSV-files (*Library\04. Data and Indicators Dissemination\4.1 User Database (UDB)\Tools*):

<https://circabc.europa.eu/w/browse/d28180a0-810e-4b48-b1c8-15794775bb88>

SPSS and STATA code for uploading the CSV-files (developped by GESIS - Leibniz-Institut für Sozialwissenschaften):

<http://www.gesis.org/unser-angebot/daten-analysieren/amtliche-mikrodaten/european-microdata/eu-silc/eu-silc-tools/>

Modules assessment:

[http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page/portal/income\\_social\\_inclusion\\_living\\_conditions/data/ad\\_hoc\\_modules](http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page/portal/income_social_inclusion_living_conditions/data/ad_hoc_modules)

Guidelines

<https://circabc.europa.eu/w/browse/334d943f-6f71-4f4b-9c7e-a6767a3fe164>

You can also consult our website on "Living conditions and social protection"

[http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page/portal/income\\_social\\_inclusion\\_living\\_conditions/introduction](http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page/portal/income_social_inclusion_living_conditions/introduction)

And

EUROSTAT website

<http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page/portal/eurostat/home>

**Important: For the countries not members of the Euro-area, the income variables were converted into €(EURO).**

Yours sincerely,

*(signed)*

Jean Louis Mercy  
Head of Unit

**PLEASE NOTE:**

Due to stricter regulations concerning the confidentiality of microdata after coming into force of Commission Regulation (EC) 831/2002, the EU-SILC UDB had to be encrypted before dissemination. The decryption password for the EU-SILC UDB will be sent to you via e-mail upon reception at Eurostat of one countersigned and initialled contract original. Contact person: Ms. Karien Reinig (Tel: 00352.43.01.34.106; email: [karien.reinig@ec.europa.eu](mailto:karien.reinig@ec.europa.eu)). Technical questions regarding the encryption / decryption please contact Mr Peter Weiss (Tel: 00352 4301 36386; email: [peter-p.weiss@ec.europa.eu](mailto:peter-p.weiss@ec.europa.eu)).