

The primary objective of Time Use Survey (TUS) is to measure participation and time spent by men and women in different paid and unpaid activities including unpaid domestic and caregiving activities for household members, volunteer work, learning, socializing, leisure activities, self-care activities, etc.

The following three indicators are generated from Time Use Survey,

- Participation rate in different activities
- Average time spent per participant in a day in different activities
- Average time spent per person in a day in different activities

In this survey too, like all other NSS surveys information on household characteristics e.g., social group, religion, monthly consumption expenditure, etc. along with demographic particulars of household members, namely, age, marital status, highest level of educational, principal activity status etc. has been collected. The purpose of collecting information on these auxiliary variables is to generate estimates of the indicators related to time use by different types cross classifications and not to generate any estimates like population, sex ratio, literacy rates, distribution by activity status etc. on the basis of these auxiliary information. Hence, the users of the unit level data of TUS are advised to generate estimates related to time use, keeping in view the objective of the survey, and not to generate any estimates solely based on the auxiliary variables.