

AN OVERVIEW OF THE PRIORITY SURVEY II - 1993

The Social Dimensions of Adjustment Priority Survey II (1993) was a nationwide survey carried out in April to June, 1993. The survey covered the whole country on a sample basis covering 500 Standard Enumeration Areas (SEAs). About 10,000 households were interviewed in total.

The sample design used was Probability Proportional to Size (PPS) method. This entailed allocating the total sample proportionately to each stratum according to its population share. Sample selection also followed the PPS method.

The survey used two types of questionnaires to collect data from the field. The listing form was used to list all households in the sample enumeration areas, and the main questionnaire was used to obtain information on the household and each member of the household.

The main topics covered in the survey were:-

- Demography
- Health
- Education
- Economic Activities
- Household access to various amenities and facilities
- Migration
- Agricultural production
- Non-farming enterprises
- Household expenditure
- Household assets
- Anthropometry

The above topics are the basis for computing poverty and the analysing living standards in Zambia and are based on an internationally accepted list of living standards components.

The results of the survey are of great benefit in that they give reliable information on key living standard indicators against which to monitor development. Moreover, the series of surveys contain some core indicators which are repeated in each survey and those form the basis for comparability overtime.