

Data Dictionary, Palestine, PECS 2007

Important notes:

- All text in blue indicate formulas generated by ERF

- All text in green represent a recommendation

- All cells shaded in orange indicate country specific information, standard values generated by ERF or values of a scale variable

- All cells shaded in green, blue or purple indicates different levels of expenditure/income aggregates

- Under column "Key":

-A: indicates a variable that is available in/can be generated from the survey dataset

-/: indicates a variable that is not available in/cannot be generated from the survey dataset

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| | | | | | | Survey Values and Value Labels | Universe | Key | Variable (s) used from the survey | Country specific comments |
| FILE LEVEL: ALL | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL OBSERVATIONS | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: IDENTIFICATION (FILE INFORMATION) | | | | | | | | | | |
| COUNTRY | Unique country | String variable representing the country name | This variable exists both in the household and the person file and is necessary when concatenating files from different datasets. Use this variable when concatenating files from different datasets. | String variable | | | All HHs | A | | Generated by ERF |
| YEAR | Survey Year | Year during which the survey was performed | This variable exists both in the household and the person file and is necessary when concatenating files from different datasets. Use this variable when concatenating files from different datasets. | Ordered discrete variable | | | All HHs | A | | Generated by ERF |
| CASESER | Unique unit identifier | Sequential anonymous household identifier usually provided in the dataset | This variable exist both in the household and person file and is necessary when merging the two files. This identifier is unique only within each country/year dataset; when combining different countries or years it is necessary to use it in combination with the variables COUNTRY and YEAR in order to uniquely identify households. When merging household and individual level files from the same dataset, use this variable to link each individual to the right household. | Ordered discrete variable | | | All HHs | A | ID00 | |

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| HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION AND CHARACTERISTICS | | | Gives information on the household composition and characteristics such as the number of children, their age and gender.. The dwelling conditions the access to public facilities ... | | | | | | | |
| FILE LEVEL: HOUSEHOLD | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL HOUSEHOLDS | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: AT PRESENT | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: FILE INFORMATION | | | | | | | | | | |
| HWEIGHT | Household weight | Data provider household weight | The household weight can correct just for sample bias, or also for non-sampling errors (such as response bias and adjustment to population distribution). In many cases, the weight is a population weight, which means that the weight will inflate the result to reflect the total population. We strongly recommend that all statistical analysis be performed using the data weights | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | RW | |
| REG | Region | Region of residence | | Categorical variable | | | All HHs | A | area | |
| AREA | Area | Second geographical variable identifying another aspect of the location of the unit not described in REG such as city or village | | Categorical variable | | | All HHs | / | | |
| RURURB | Urban/Rural residence | Indicate whether the region is urban/rural | In case the country has refugee camps (as in Palestine), the "refugee camp" category is coded "2" | Harmonized categorical/dummy variable | 0 Rural 1 Urban 2 Refugee camps | 2 Rural 1 Urban 3 Camp | All HHs | A | loc_type | |
| HNUM | Number of persons | Total number of persons in the household (including children or any other individuals not included in individual-level survey for any reason) | In general Σ over all individuals in household If the individual file does not include all household members, the variable is constructed directly from household level original information FEMLNUM+MALNUM = HNUM | Ordered discrete variable | | | All HHs | A | D4 | Generated by ERF |
| MALNUM | Number of Males | Total number of Males in the household (including children) | | | | | | A | D4 | Generated by ERF |
| FEMLNUM | Number of Females | Total number of females in the household (including children) | | | | | | A | D4 | Generated by ERF |
| CH14 | Number of persons under age 14 | Number of persons under age 14 living in the household | This includes (ever) married children as well as heads and spouses under fourteen. If the individual file does not include all household members, the variable is constructed directly from household level original information | | | | | A | D5 | Generated by ERF |
| NUM65 | Number of persons aged 65 or more | Number of household members aged 65 or more including head and spouse. | If the individual file does not include all household members, the variable is constructed directly from household level original information | | | | | A | D5 | Generated by ERF |
| HCOMP | Household composition | Indicates the composition of the household with the number of adults and of children using standardized family models: 2 adults no children, 2 adults 1-2 children etc.. | This variables might not exist in all surveys and can be constructed using the information in the household and person files. In case the variable is generated, the adult is defined as either a: - HH member aged 18 years or older - HH head even if aged less than 18 years - a married HH member even if aged less than 18 years | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 1-2 adults, no children 2 1-2 adults, 1-2 children 3 1-2 adult, 3 or more children 4 3 or more adults, 0-1children 5 3 or more adults, 2-3 children 6 3 or more adults, 4 or more children | | All HHs | A | D3 D5 D26 | Generated by ERF |
| MARRIED | Head living in couple | Standardized code that indicates whether the head of the household has a partner and the type of partnership | The head may cohabit with his mother or sister and in this case the concept of No couple applies. Another possible status is when the head has several spouses. Here a problem should exist if the spouses live in different houses so two different households may have the same head. Generated from individual files | Harmonized categorical variable | 0 No couple present in household 1 Married couple head and spouse 2 Several cohabiting spouses | | All HHs | A | D3 | Generated by ERF |
| EARN | Number of earners | Number of household members who receives any earnings. | All individuals who have received any earnings during the reference period, only a subset may have been in employment at the time of the survey. If the individual file does not include all household members, or if incomes are not available at the individual level, the variable is constructed either from other individual level variables (e.g. employment status), or directly from household level original information. Pensioners and any individual receiving any kind of income is considered as earner. | Ordered discrete variable | | | All HHs | A | D18 | Number of earners was created using members' relation to labor force by counting the number of employed persons. Those absent from work were not counted since they are not among earners at a time of the survey. Number of pensioners was not counted as well since pensioners not are identified. |

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| INCS | Source of income | Main income source of the household | This variable may not exist in most of the surveys but can be constructed from the individual files | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Household business | H23_1 =1 Agriculture H23_2 =1 Household business H23_13 =1 Property income | All HHs | A | H23_1 to H23_13 | • Main source of income was generated using H23_1 to H23_13 indicating a ranking for the source of income from 1 to 5 for each source. The rank “1” was taken into consideration in the variable computation |
| | | | | | 2 Salaries and wages | H23_3=1 Wages and salaries from public sector H23_4=1 Wages and salaries from private sector H23_5=1 Wages and salaries from Israeli work sector H23_11=1 Wages from international organization | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Remittances from country or abroad | H23_6=1 Remittances from Palestine H23_7=1 Remittances from abroad | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Pensions | H23_8=1 International institutions (aids) H23_9=1 Social aids H23_12=1 National insurance (Jerusalem) | | | | |
| | | | | | 5 Other | H23_10=1 Other | | | | |
| HHTYPE | Household type | Identifying collective and non-collective households | Collective households are composed of a number of non-residents, having the same gender, living together, and are all employed. No head is identified for collective households, and the relationship to head variable will be recoded missing for all household members Non-collective households are mostly residents having the regular structure of a family (Head, spouse,etc) | Dummy variable | 0 Non-collective | | All HHs | / | | |
| | | | | | 1 Collective | | | | | |
| DWLTYP | Type of dwelling | Type of the dwelling | This variable mainly distinguishes between villa, apartments and others "House" includes traditional, modern or Arabic house etc. "Villa" includes palace, villa or a floor in a villa, duplex etc. "Other" includes clay/reed house, primitive house, caravan etc. | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 House | 2 House | All HHs | A | H1 | |
| | | | | | 2 Villa | 1 Villa | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Apartment | 3 Apartment | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Others | 4 Separate room 5 Tent 6 Marginal 7 Others | | | | |
| DWLTEN | Tenure of dwelling | Type of tenure | This variable distinguishes between owned or rented living quarters. | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Rented | 2 Rented no furniture 3 Rented with furniture | All HHs | A | H2 | |
| | | | | | 2 Owned | 1 Owned | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Provided free | 4 Without payment | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Others | 5 For work 6 Other | | | | |
| ROOM | Number of rooms | Number of rooms excluding bathroom and kitchen | In some surveys there is no indication whether the bathroom and kitchen are counted in the number of rooms or not, we assume they are excluded | Ordered discrete variable | | | All HHs | A | H5 | |
| ELECT | Electrified | Indicates if the dwelling is electrified or not | This variable is often generated from the source of lighting. Using private generator is considered as electrified. | Dummy variable | 0 No | 3 No electricity | All HHs | A | H9b | |
| | | | | | 1 Electrified | 1 Public network 2 Private generator | | | | |
| SLIGHT | Source of energy for lighting | Distinguish between public and private sources of electricity and other sources of lighting | Private electricity includes community and private generators and cooperative networks "Others" may include sources that are presented independently in the standardized value if the survey is not enough detailed (example it may include gas and kerosene) | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Public network | | All HHs | / | | |
| | | | | | 2 Private | | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Gas | | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Kerosene | | | | | |
| | | | | | 5 Others | | | | | |
| SCOOK | Source of energy for cooking | Distinguish between different sources of energy for cooking | | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Electricity | 3 Electricity | All HHs | A | H13_1 | |
| | | | | | 2 Gas | 1 Gas | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Kerosene | 2 Kerosene | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Wood & coal | 4 Wood | | | | |
| | | | | | 5 Others | 5 Other | | | | |
| WAT | Water facilities | Indicates from where the household get its drinking water | This variable indicates the main source of drinking water. Piped supply includes public and private networks; public tap includes fountains and springs; wells are either with or without pumps private or public etc. Tanker includes purchased water indoor or outdoor; other includes lakes, rivers, rainwater etc. | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Piped supply | 1 Local Public network 2 private network | All HHs | A | H9a | |
| | | | | | 2 Public tap | | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Well | | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Tanker | | | | | |
| | | | | | 5 Other | 3 not connected to water facility | | | | |
| TFACIL | Transportation facilities | Indicates the proximity to public transportation | This variable indicates the distance range to public transportation In case we have different ordinal variables indicating proximity different transportation means (separately) such to taxi, bus, etc. we take the average. | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Less than 1 km | 1 Less than 1 km | All HHs | A | H20_1 | Proximity to health/school/transportation facility variables were generated as a “round average” of the variables indicating the distance to different facilities. |
| | | | | | 2 1-5 km | 2 1-5 km | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 More than 5 km | 3 More than 5 km | | | | |

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| SFACIL | Schooling facilities | Indicates the proximity to schools/universities | This variables is a summary of variables indicating the distance to elementary school, university etc. In case we have different ordinal variables indicating proximity to different education establishments (separately) such to elementary schools, secondary schools, etc. we take the average. | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Less than 1 km | 1 Less than 1 km | All HHs | A | H20_5 | Indicates the proximity to Elementary Schools only |
| | | | | | 2 1-5 km | 2 1-5 km | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 More than 5 km | 3 More than 5 km | | | | |
| HFACIL | Health facilities | Indicates the proximity to health centers and hospitals | This variables is a summary of variables indicating the distance to health centre and hospital In case we have different ordinal variables indicating proximity to different health establishments (separately) such to private doctors, hospitals health centers, etc. we take the average. | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Less than 1 km | 1 Less than 1 km | All HHs | A | H20_2 H20_3 H20_4 H20_6 | Indicates the proximity to health centers and hospitals including doctor, health centre, hospital, and mother and child health centre |
| | | | | | 2 1-5 km | 2 1-5 km | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 More than 5 km | 3 More than 5 km | | | | |
| TOIF | Toilet facility | Indicates whether the household has access to toilet facility | In case we don't have information on the connection to sewage system but we do know if the toilet is inside or outside the dwelling we can consider toilets outside the dwelling as not connected to sewage (option 2). | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Yes and connected to sewage | H12=1 & H9c=1 Toilet with piped water and connected to public sewage H12=2 & H9c=1 Toilet without piped water and connected to public sewage | All HHs | A | H9c H12 | Generated using 2 variables- H9c: connection to sewage public network & H12: Availability of toilet |
| | | | | | 2 Yes but not connected to sewage | H12=1 & H9c>1 Toilet with piped water and connected to hole absorption or cesspit or not connected to sewage H12=2 & H9c>1 Toilet without piped water and connected to hole absorption or cesspit or not connected to sewage | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 No facility | H12=3 No toilet | | | | |
| CAR | Has car/truck/tractor | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to car, scooter, taxi, boat, tractor etc.. | | Dummy variable | 0 None | 2 No | All HHs | A | H21_1 | |
| | | | | | 1 Own one or many | 1 Yes | | | | |
| TELV | Has television/radio | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to a television, video, radio, dish, receiver, CD player etc. | | Dummy variable | 0 None | 2 No | All HHs | A | H21_11, H21_12, H21_17, H21_18 | |
| | | | | | 1 Own one or many | 1 Yes | | | | |
| TELPH | Has telephone | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to a telephone, cell phone, fax machine, internet line, computer etc. | | Dummy variable | 0 None | 2 No | All HHs | A | H21_13, H21_14, H21_15, H21_16 | |
| | | | | | 1 Own one or many | 1 Yes | | | | |
| REFRG | Has refrigerator/ Freezer | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to a refrigerator, freezer, water cooler. | | Dummy variable | 0 None | 2 No | All HHs | A | H21_2 | |
| | | | | | 1 Own one or many | 1 Yes | | | | |
| COOKER | Has Cooker/ food processor | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to a gas or electric cooking stove, microwave, etc. | | Dummy variable | 0 None | 2 No | All HHs | A | H21_5 | |
| | | | | | 1 Own one or many | 1 Yes | | | | |
| WASH | Has washing machine | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to a washing machine, dryer, dishwasher, etc. | | Dummy variable | 0 None | 2 No | All HHs | A | H21_4, H21_6 | |
| | | | | | 1 Own one or many | 1 Yes | | | | |
| COND | Has air conditioner | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to an air conditioner, electric fan, etc. | | Dummy variable | 0 None | 2 No | All HHs | A | H21_7, H21_9 | |
| | | | | | 1 Own one or many | 1 Yes | | | | |
| WAHEAT | Has water heater | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to a solar, gas, electric, etc. water heater | | Dummy variable | 0 None | 2 No | All HHs | A | H21_3 | |
| | | | | | 1 Own one or many | 1 Yes | | | | |
| ODUR | Has other durables | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to a sewing machine, iron, vacuum, and any other household appliance | | Dummy variable | 0 None | 2 No | All HHs | A | H21_8, H21_19 | Variable does not include "home library" identified in the survey data as durable good (H21_10). |
| | | | | | 1 Own one or many | 1 Yes | | | | |
| LIVESTOK | Has cattle/sheep/ poultry | All kinds of livestock, donkey, horses, etc... | | Dummy variable | 0 None | 2 No | All HHs | A | H27 | |
| | | | | | 1 Own one or many | 1 Yes | | | | |
| OLAND | Own land | Indicates whether the household owns land or not | | Dummy variable | 0 None | 2 No | All HHs | A | H24 | H24 indicating if household have an agricultural land does not permit to identify different types of ownership, therefore all households having a land were assumed to be owning this land. |
| | | | | | 1 Own one or many | 1 Yes | | | | |
| ALAND | Area of Own land | Indicates the area of the owned land | ALAND=0 IF OLAND=0 (do not own a land), hence this variable should be complete for all households except those for which OLAND is missing. The area of land should be reported in m ² | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | H25 | |
| FLAND | Free access to land | Indicates the area of the accessed land | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | / | | |

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| DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION OF HEAD AND SPOUSE | | | | | | | | | | |
| Information on Head and Spouse are constructed from the person-level files. For more information about a specific variable, refer to the person-level variable referred to in "Contents". | | | | | | | | | | |
| FILE LEVEL: HOUSEHOLD | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL HOUSEHOLDS | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: AT PRESENT | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION OF HEAD AND SPOUSE | | | | | | | | | | |
| AGEHD | Age - head | Age in years. | In some datasets, age may be calculated at a certain reference date (e.g., 31 December of last year). When the original dataset has only age categories, age is calculated as the midpoint of the range provided. In some datasets, AGE is top coded by the data provider (e.g., a value of 95 represents 95 years of age or over). | Ordered discrete variable | | | All Heads | A | D5 | 98 indicates those aged 98 years or older |
| AGESP | Age - spouse | | In case the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated, and named AGESP_# where # is the spouse number | | | | All Spouses | | | |
| SEXHD | Gender - head | Gender | Indicator for gender of individual. | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Male | Structured the same as PSEX | All Heads | A | D4 | |
| SEXSP | Gender - spouse | | In case the head is male and has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named SEXSP_# where # is the spouse number. For all spouses except the first spouse, gender will be always 2 (female) | | 2 Female | | All Spouses | | | |
| MARTHD | Marital status - head | Legal administrative status concerning marriage | Should not be imputed, it can be generated only for those to whom the question was asked (in other words, the youngest age at which information is collected may differ depending on the survey). Married refers to only formal marriages (including legally married). Polygamous unions includes males with multiple spouses. Number of spouses in household can be applied to compute polygamy. | Harmonized Categorical variable | 1 Never married 2 Married monogamous 3 Married polygamous 4 Divorced/Separated 5 Widowed 99 Not stated | Structured the same as PMART | Heads aged 12 + | A | D26 | |
| PARTHD | Partnership and parenthood status - head | ERF recode that allows users to identify heads as having a partner (either married or unmarried) versus not having a partner, as well as parents as opposed to non-parents, using a single variable. | Partnership status for head may be restricted to civic status, parenthood status assumes that the children of the head are also children of the spouse. | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Head with partner or head's partner, with no children 2 Head with partner or head's partner, with children, youngest child < 18 3 Head with partner or head's partner, with children, youngest child 18+ 4 Single head, with no children 5 Single head, with children, youngest child < 18 6 Single head, with children, youngest child 18+ | | All Heads | A | D3 D5 D26 | To generate Partnership and parenthood status – head variable, a single head is defined as never married, divorced, separated or widowed. Head with partner is defined as married head. |
| NATHD | Ethnicity/ nationality - head | Ethnicity or nationality | The content of this variable is not uniform. In many datasets where information on ethnicity or nationality is not available in the original survey, it can also contain country of birth, race, ancestry or mother tongue. | Categorical variable | | | All Heads | / | | |
| NATSP | Ethnicity/ nationality - spouse | | In case the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named NATSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | | | All Spouses | | | |
| IMMIGRHD | Immigration status - head | Ideally indicates whether an individual is born in the country or has an immigrant background, and if possible, how recently he/she arrived. Other migration status information may be included if available. | The content of this variable is not uniform. By other migration status we tempt to capture those who migrate from one region to another inside the country (if the place of birth is different from the place of residence inside the country) | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Immigrant (from abroad) 2 Migrant (from another region inside the country) | Structured the same as PIMMIGR | All Heads | / | | |
| IMMIGRSP | Immigration status - spouse | | In case the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named IMMIGRSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | 3 No | | All Spouses | | | |
| BIRHD | Is the head born in his residence place | This variable indicates whether the person is born in his place of residence | | Dummy variable | 0 No | Structured the same as PBIR | All Heads | / | | |
| BIRSP | Is the spouse born in her residence place | | In case the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named BIRSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | 1 Yes | | All Spouses | | | |
| BIRPLHD | Place of Birth of the head | This variable includes either the region, the area or the country of birth | Very few surveys contain this information | Categorical variable | | | All Heads | / | | |
| BIRPLSP | Place of Birth of the Spouse | | In case the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named BIRPLSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | | | All Spouses | | | |
| LITHD | Literacy status of the head | This variable indicates whether the person is literate (can read and write) or not | see PLIT If there are no questions about the read and write ability but the educational attainment is elementary or upper the individual is considered literate | Dummy variable | 0 No | Structured the same as PLIT | Heads aged 10+ | A | D16 | |
| LITSP | Literacy status of the spouse | | In case the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named LITSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | 1 Can read & write | | Spouses aged 10+ | | | |

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| EDUHD | Educational level - head | Highest level of education attained. | see PEDUC | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 None | Structured the same as PEDUC | Heads aged 10+ | A | D16 | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 2 Primary | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Lower secondary | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Secondary | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| EDUSP | Educational level - spouse | | | | In case the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named EDUSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | 5 Post secondary or equivalent | | | | Spouses aged 10+ | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | 6 University | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | 7 Postgraduate | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | 99 Not stated | | | | | | | | | | |
| MASHD | Main activity status -Head | Main activity status during the survey period | See PCMAS | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Employed | Structured the same as PCMAS | Heads aged 10+ | A | D18 | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 2 Unemployed | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Homemaker (Housewife) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MASSP | Main activity status - Spouse | | | | In case the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named MASSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | 4 Student | | | | Spouses aged 10+ | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | 5 Pensioners/retired/disabled | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | 6 Others | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | 99 Not stated | | | | | | | | | | |
| EMSHD | Status of Employment of the head | | Detailed description of the employment status | | See PCEMS | | Harmonized categorical variable | | | 1 Employee | Structured the same as PCEMS | Active Heads aged 10+ | A | D19 | | | |
| | | | | 2 Employer | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | 3 Own account, self-employed | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| EMSSP | Status of Employment of the spouse | | | In case the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named EMSSP_# where # is the spouse number. | 4 Contributing (unpaid) family workers | | | Active Spouses aged 10+ | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 5 Member of producers cooperatives | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 6 Workers not classifiable by status (other) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 99 Not stated | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| OCCHD | Classification of Occupations for main job of the Head | International Standard Occupational classification of the main (current or last held) job, with as much detail as possible (ideally 4-digit ISCO-88 or 08 if available in original survey) | | See POCC | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Legislators, senior officials and managers | | Structured the same as POCC | Active Heads aged 10+ | A | | D21 | | | | | |
| | | | | 2 Professionals | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | 3 Technicians and associate professionals | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | 4 Clerks | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | 5 Service workers and shop and market sales | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | 6 Skilled agricultural and fishery workers | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| OCCSP | Classification of Occupations for main job of the Spouse | | | In case the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named OCCSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | 7 Craft and related trades | | | Active Spouses aged 10+ | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | 8 Plant and machine operators and assemblers | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | 9 Elementary occupations | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | 10 Armed Forces | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | 11 Other/unspecified | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | 99 Not stated | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| INDHD | International Standard Industrial Classification of main job of the Head | Industry classification of the main (current or last held) job, with as much detail as possible. | See PIND | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Agriculture and Fishing | Structured the same as PIND | Active Heads aged 10+ | A | D22 | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 2 Mining | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Manufacturing | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Electricity and Utilities | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 5 Construction | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 6 Commerce | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 7 Transportation, Storage and Communication | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| INDSP | International Standard Industrial Classification of main job of the Spouse | | | | In case the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named INDSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | 8 Financial, Insurance and Real Estate | | | | Active Spouses aged 10+ | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | 9 Public Administration | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | 10 Other Services | | | | | | | | | | |
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| TYPEWKHD | Sector of employment of the head | | Sector of employment | | see PTYPEWK | | Harmonized categorical variable | | | 1 Government | Structured the same as PTYPEWK | Active Heads aged 10+ | A | D23 | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | 2 Public sector | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | 3 Private sector | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | 4 Joint/Cooperative | | | | | | | |
| TYPEWKSP | Sector of employment of the spouse | | | | | | | | | In case the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named TYPEWKSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | 5 Foreign sector | | | | Active Spouses aged 10+ | |
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| HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURES | | Including annual amounts of consumption expenditures; if possible split following the COICOP international standard classification). | All expenditure variables are recorded as yearly amounts. Amounts are annualized if not provided as such in original data. Due to lack of detail in many datasets, ERF constructs the expenditure variables, even if not all of the items are available. Any taxes included in the expenditure variables are deducted if possible. Some expenses/per month may be very high due to exceptional conditions (such as health care) and are not multiplied by 12 to be annualized (may be by 6). All corresponding survey documentation should be checked for expenditure periodicity reference Annual Expenditure amounts should be reported in country national currency | | | | | | | |
| FILE LEVEL: HOUSEHOLD | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL HOUSEHOLDS | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: INCOME REFERENCE PERIOD | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: EXPENDITURES | | | | | | | | | | |
| FOODEXP | Food and non-alcoholic beverages | Expenses on food and non-alcoholic beverages. Ideally, corresponds to Code 01 of the COICOP classification (SUM of 01). | All food expenditures include also own grown products expenses and gifts/in-kind received food. Expenses on take away food and meals taken in restaurants are included under code 11 TOTPFOOD+TOTOWNP+TOTGIKD | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | • Products need to be restructured in order that each product represents a variable. • All expenditure items were summated from the products data file (indicating monthly amounts in NIS). • All expenditures were annualized (multiplied by 12). • The labels of the 3 products (1518, 3635 ,5029) are not identified neither in the data file nor the coding sheet or later data sets, and they were not available in previous data sets, hence they could not be labeled in the data file but they were categorized among expenditure aggregates as per their codes and labeled "not defined". • Item (2925) indicated in the questionnaire as expenditure on dwelling and labeled expenditure on "olive cake". Either the item was mislabeled or miscoded. The same item was checked in 2009 questionnaire and found with the same labeling accordingly, it was re-categorized with food expenditure. • Items aggregated under each expenditure type are identified in "Expenditure Aggregates" sheet. |
| RICE | Rice expenditures | Expenditures on rice in all forms | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| GRAIN | Grains and flour expenditures | Wheat, Maize, Barely and all cereals in the grain or flour form | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| BREAD | Bread and cakes | Bread in all forms, biscuits, cakes pizza.. | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| PAST | Pasta expenditures | Macaroni, Noodles, Couscous.. | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| CERPRE | Cereal preparation | Cornflakes, malt, tapioca.. | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| CEREXP | Purchased Bread and Cereals | | RICE+GRAIN+BREAD+PAST+CERPRE | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| CEROWN | Own-Produced Bread and Cereals | | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| SMEAT | Sheep and goats Meat expenditures | Fresh frozen and tinned goats and sheep meat | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| CMEAT | Cow meat expenditures | Fresh frozen and tinned cow meat | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| OMEAT | Other meat expenditures | Fresh frozen and tinned camel, rabbit, pork etc. meat | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| CHMEAT | Chicken meat expenditure | Fresh frozen and tinned chicken, turkey, birds etc. meat | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| LMEAT | Luncheon and Tinned meat | Fresh and frozen luncheon, tinned and others meat | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| MEATEXP | Purchased Meat and Poultry | | SMEAT+CMEAT+OMEAT+CHMEAT+LMEAT | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| MEATOWN | Own-Produced Meat and Poultry | | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| FISH | Fish expenditures | Fresh and frozen fish expenditures, Tuna, sardines and tinned fish also smoked, salted, dried and processed fish | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| SEAF | Seafood expenditures | Fresh, frozen and proceed seafood | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| FSHSEAEXP | Purchased Fish and Seafood | | FISH+SEAF | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| FSHSEAOWN | Own-Produced Fish and Seafood | | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| MILK | Milk expenditures | Fresh, powder, condensed and infant powder milk expenses | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| YOGH | Yogurt expenditures | Yogurt liquid, tinned, paste etc. cream, milk based deserts, milk based beverages | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| CHES | Cheese expenditures | Processed, home made, tinned etc. cheese | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| EGG | Eggs expenditures | Eggs and wholly made egg products | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| DAIRYEXP | Purchased Dairy Products | | MILK+YOGH+CHES+EGG | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| DAIRYOWN | Own-Produced Dairy Products | | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |

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| OOIL | Olive oil expend. | Olive oil | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| OIL | Other oils expend. | Corn, sunflower, soya etc | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| BUT | Butter and margarine | Butter, margarine, ghee,... | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| FAT | Fat expenses | Animal and vegetable fats and other edible | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| <u>OILFATEXP</u> | Purchased Oil & Fats | | OOIL+OIL+BUT+FAT | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| <u>OILFATOWN</u> | Own-Produced Oil & Fats | | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| <u>FRUITEXP</u> | Fruits expenses | Fresh, chilled, frozen, and tinned fruits, nuts | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| <u>FRUITOWN</u> | Own-Produced Fruits | | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| <u>VEGEXP</u> | Vegetables expenses | Fresh, chilled, frozen, and tinned vegetables, garlic, processed and tuber vegetables like chips.. | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| <u>VEGOWN</u> | Own-Produced Vegetables | | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| <u>SUGAREXP</u> | Sugar and jam expenditure | Sugar, Halawa, Chocolate, Honey, Jam, Bonbon, etc. | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| <u>SUGAROWN</u> | Own-Produced Sugar and Jam | | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | / | | |
| <u>SPICEXP</u> | Spices expenditures | Salt, black pepper, sauces, seasonings, vanilla etc. | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| <u>SPICOWN</u> | Own-Produced Spices | | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| <u>BEVEXP</u> | Beverages expenditure | Coffee, tea, water fruit end vegetable juices | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| <u>BEVOWN</u> | Own-Produced Beverages | | In some surveys own-produced water may be for irrigation purposes | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | / | | |
| <u>OTHFEXP</u> | Other non-specified food expenses | Includes all other purchased food items non-specified in the questionnaire | Purchased only | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | / | | |
| <u>OTHFOWN</u> | Other non-specified own-produced food | Includes all other own produced food items non-specified in the questionnaire | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| <u>TOTPFOOD</u> | Total purchased food | Total amounts of food and beverage purchased from the market | CEREXP+MEATEXP+FSHSEAEXP+DAIRYEXP+OILFATEXP+FRUITEXP+VEGEXP+SUGAREXP+SPICEXP+BEVEXP+OTHFEXP | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| <u>TOTOWNP</u> | Total Own produced food | Food and beverage own produced products, consumed or given away | CEROWN+MEATOWN+FSHSEAOWN+DAIRYOWN+OILFATOWN+FRUITOWN+VEGOWN+SUGAROWN+SPICOWN+BEVOWN+OTHFOWN | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| <u>TOTGIKD</u> | Total Gifts and in-kind food | Food and beverage products received from other households | In some datasets, this category may be aggregated with purchased food or own produced food | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | / | | |
| <u>ALCOEXP</u> | Alcohol and tobacco | Expenses on alcoholic beverages, tobacco, and narcotics. Ideally, corresponds to Code 02 of the COICOP classification (SUM of 02). | ALC+TOB | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| ALC | Alcoholic expenditures | Expenses on alcoholic beverages, spirits, wine, beer.. | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| TOB | Tobacco expenditures | Expenses on tobacco, cigarettes, etc. | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| <u>APPEXP</u> | Clothing and footwear | Expenses on clothing and footwear. Ideally, corresponds to Code 03 of the COICOP classification. | CLOTH+MCLO+CHAR+FOOTW+SCHCLTH | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| CLOTH | Clothes for men, women and children | Garments, dresses, shirts, blouse, capes, coats for men, women and children. Excluding school clothes and uniforms | In some countries, we have observations on own-produced clothes, but since these are very small amounts, they are lumped with purchased | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| MCLO | Clothing material | Clothing material of all kind of fibers, tailoring and accessories | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| CHAR | Tailoring charges | All tailoring, cleaning, repairing charges of clothes | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| FOOTW | Footwear expenditures | Shoes, sandals, boots and slipper for men and women, excluding those for school | includes repairing and hire charges | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| SCHCLTH | School Clothes, Uniforms and Footwear | | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |

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| HOUSEXP | Housing and utilities | Expenses on housing (actual and imputed rentals and maintenance and repair of the dwelling), water (water supply and miscellaneous services relating to the dwelling), electricity, gas and other fuels. Renovation costs as well as expenditure on furniture are excluded, as well as expenditure on mortgage (both the capital and interest part). Ideally, corresponds to Code 04 of the COICOP classification. | ARHOUS+IMPREN+REPDW+WDWE+EDWE | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| ARHOUS | Actual rentals for housing | Actual rentals paid by tenants and other actual rentals | Rentals include payment for the use of the land on which the property stands, the dwelling occupied, the fixtures and fittings for heating, plumbing, lighting, etc., and, in the case of a dwelling let furnished, the furniture. | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | H7 | • Actual and Imputed rent were computed from household data (H7, H8) and rents paid in Jordanian Dinar or US Dollars were converted to NIS using currency transfer rates as per 31/12/2007. |
| IMPREN | Imputed rentals for housing | Imputed rentals of owners occupying their main residence and other imputed rentals | Includes also imputed rentals for secondary residences and imputed rentals of households paying a reduced rental or housed free. | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | H8 | |
| REPDW | Maintenance and repair for the Dwelling | Materials and services for the maintenance and repair of the dwelling | Only expenditures which tenants and owner-occupiers incur on materials and services for minor maintenance and repair are part of individual consumption expenditure of households. Renovation costs as well as expenditure on materials and services for major maintenance and repair are excluded, as well as expenditure on mortgage (both the capital and interest part). Considered as expenses on non-durables | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| WDWE | Water supply and miscellaneous services relating to the dwelling | Water supply, refuse collection, sewage collection and others | Includes also co-proprietor charges for caretaking, gardening, heating and lighting, etc. in multi-occupied buildings; security services | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| EDWE | Electricity, gas and other fuels | Electricity, Gas, Liquid and solid fuels, Heat energy | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | Those 2 codes (2231,2232) represent expenditure on own-produced Wood and coal. Their values were added to EDWE (Electricity, gas and other fuels). |
| EQUIPEXP | Furniture & Housing equipment | Expenses on furnishings (furniture and furnishings, carpets and other floor coverings), household equipment (household textiles, household appliances, glassware, tableware and household utensils, tools and equipment for house and garden) and goods and services for routine household maintenance. Ideally, corresponds to Code 05 of the COICOP classification. | HSFUR+FURREP+HSTEX+MHAPL+SHAPL+RAPPL+HUST+MHOPE+SHOPE+HSGS | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| HSFUR | Housing furnishings and furniture | Furniture and furnishings, carpets and other floor coverings | Beds, sofas, couches, tables, chairs, etc., lighting equipment, pictures, sculptures, screens, loose and fitted carpets, etc. Durables | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| FURREP | Housing furnishings and furniture repair | Furniture and furnishings repair | This variable includes repair of furniture and furnishings Non-Durable | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| HSTEX | Household textiles | Furnishing fabrics, bedding, bed linen table linen and bathroom linen and repair of such articles. | Non durables | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| MHAPL | Major Household appliances | Major household appliances whether electric or not | Refrigerators, freezers and fridge-freezers; - washing machines, dryers, drying cabinets, dishwashers, ironing and pressing machines; - cookers, spit roasters, hobs, ranges, ovens and microwave ovens; - air-conditioners, humidifiers, space heaters, water heaters, ventilators and extractor hoods; - vacuum cleaners, steam-cleaning machines, carpet shampooing machines and machines for scrubbing, waxing and polishing floors; - other major household appliances such as safes, sewing machines, knitting machines, water softeners, etc. Includes: delivery and installation of the appliances when applicable. Excludes: such appliances that are built into the structure of the building Considered as expenses on durables | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| SHAPL | Small Household appliances | Small electric appliances | Coffee mills, coffee-makers, juice extractors, can-openers, food mixers, deep fryers, meat grills, knives, toasters, ice cream makers, hotplates, irons, electric blankets, etc. Excludes: small non-electric household articles and kitchen utensils etc. Non-durables | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |

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| RAPPL | Repair of appliances | | Total value of the service (that is, both the cost of labor and the cost of materials are covered); charges for the leasing or rental of major household appliances. Excludes: separate purchases of materials made by households with the intention of undertaking the repair themselves Non-durables | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| HUST | Glassware, tableware and household utensils | Glassware, crystal and ceramic ware, non-electric kitchen utensils etc. and their repair | Non-durables | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| MHOPE | Major other housing equipment and operation | Major tools and equipment for house and garden, | Motorized tools and equipment such as electric drills, saws, sanders and hedge cutters, garden tractors, lawnmowers, cultivators, chainsaws and water pumps; - repair of such articles. Includes: charges for the leasing or rental of do-it-yourself machinery and equipment. Considered as expenses on durables | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| SHOPE | Small other housing equipment and operation | Small tools and miscellaneous accessories | Hand tools, garden tools, small electric accessories and their repair Non-durables | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| HSGS | Goods and services for routine household maintenance | Non-durable household goods and domestic services | Cleaning products such as soaps, washing powder etc. Domestic & cleaning services such as cooks, maids, drivers, gardeners, dry clean etc. Non-durables | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| MEDEXP | Health | Expenses on health, including medical products, appliances and equipment, outpatient services, and hospital services. Payments for health insurances are excluded. Ideally, corresponds to Code 06 of the COICOP classification. | PMEDP+TAEQ+MEDSERV+MEDABR | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| PMEDP | Pharmaceutical and other medical products | Medicinal preparations, drugs, vaccines, vitamins etc. and clinical thermometers, adhesive etc. | They are intended for consumption or use outside a health facility or institution. Non-durables | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| TAEQ | Therapeutic appliances and equipment | Corrective eyeglasses and contact lenses, hearing aids, glass eyes, artificial limbs and other prosthetic devices, orthopedic braces and supports, orthopedic footwear, surgical belts, trusses and supports, neck braces, medical massage equipment and health lamps, powered and unpowered wheelchairs and invalid carriages, "special" beds, crutches, electronic and other devices for monitoring blood pressure, etc. | They are intended for consumption or use outside a health facility or institution. Durables | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| MEDSERV | Outpatient and Hospital services | Medical, dental and paramedical services delivered to outpatients by medical, dental and paramedical practitioners and auxiliaries. Services of general and specialist hospitals, the services of medical centers, maternity centers, nursing homes and convalescent homes which chiefly provide in-patient health care, the services of institutions serving old people in which medical monitoring is an essential component and the services of rehabilitation centers providing in-patient health care and rehabilitative therapy where the objective is to treat the patient rather than to provide long-term support | The services may be delivered at home, in individual or group consulting facilities, dispensaries or the outpatient clinics of hospitals and the like. Hospital day-care and home-based hospital treatment are included as are hospices for terminally ill persons. | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| MEDABR | Expenses on medical services Abroad | Includes all expenses on trips for medical/therapy purposes other than those spent on transportation or accommodation | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |

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| TRANEXP | Transport | Expenses on transport, including purchase of vehicles, operation of personal transport equipment, and transport services. Ideally, corresponds to Code 07 of the COICOP classification. | TRVEH+OTEQ+TRSERV+SCHSERV | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| TRVEH | Purchase of transportation vehicles | Purchase of car, bicycles and animal trucked vehicles | Excludes purchases of recreational vehicles such as camper vans, caravans, trailers, and boats Durable | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| OTEQ | Operation of personal transport equipment | Fuels, petrol and purchases of spare parts, accessories or lubricants made by households with the intention of undertaking the maintenance, repair or intervention and services paid to enterprise for carrying out the maintenance, repair or fitting | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| TRSERV | Transportation services | Transportation by railway, road, air, sea and any other than school transport services | Ambulance services are excluded | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| SCHSERV | School Transportation services | | In some surveys, expenses on school transportation services might be lumped with transport services or education expenditures, in that case the variable would be missing | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| COMMEXP | Communication | Expenses on communication, including postal services, telephone and telefax equipment, and telephone and telefax services. Ideally, corresponds to Code 08 of the COICOP classification. | PTTSERV+TTEQP | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| PTTSERV | Postal telephone and telefax services | Installation and subscription costs of personal telephone equipment; telephone calls etc. delivery of letters etc. | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| TTEQP | Telephone and telefax equipment | Purchases of telephones, telefax machines, etc. and their repair | Durable | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | / | | |
| CULTEXP | Recreation and culture | Expenses on recreation and culture, including audio-visual, photographic and information processing equipment, other major durables for recreation and culture, other recreational items and equipment, gardens and pets, recreational and cultural services, newspapers, books and stationery, package holidays. Ideally, corresponds to Code 09 of the COICOP classification. | CULDUR+CULEQP+CULSER+SCHCUL | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| CULDUR | Durables for recreation and culture | Audio-visual, photographic and information processing equipment, Camper vans, boats, horse and pony etc. | Durable | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| CULEQP | Recreation and cultural equipments | Games, toys and hobbies, Equipment for sport, camping and open-air recreation etc. | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | Code (3614) indicating renting videos and TVs was categorized with "recreational and cultural equipments" and not "Durables for recreation and culture"; in order not to be counted as durables bought |
| CULSER | Recreation and culture services | cinemas, theatres, opera houses games, Newspapers, books and stationery, etc. holidays or tours which provide for travel, food, accommodation, guides | Excluding school books and stationary | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| SCHCUL | School recreation and culture services | School books and stationery, etc. | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | Item indicating expenditure on Notebooks, envelops, diaries (including school notebooks), was added to "School recreation and culture services expenditure". |

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| <u>EDUCEXP</u> | Education | Expenses on education, including pre-primary and primary education, secondary education, post-secondary non-tertiary education, tertiary education, and education not definable by level. Ideally, corresponds to Code 10 of the COICOP classification. It covers educational services only and does not include expenditures on educational materials, such as books, catering and transport services etc. | PREDUC+SEDUC+TEDUC+OEDUC+EDUCABR | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| PREDUC | Expenses on pre-primary and primary education | Includes also expenses on literacy programs for students too old for primary school, including private tutoring and tutoring groups | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| SEDUC | Expenses lower and upper-secondary education | Includes also out-of-school secondary education for adults and young people, private tutoring and tutoring groups | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| TEDUC | Expenses tertiary education | Expenses on first and second stage of tertiary education, including private tutoring and tutoring groups | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| OEDUC | Expenses on education not defined by level | Educational programs, generally for adults, which do not require any special prior instruction, in particular vocational training and cultural development. | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| EDUCABR | Expenses on Education Abroad | Includes all expenses on trips for education purposes other than those spent on transportation or accommodation | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| <u>RESTOEXP</u> | Restaurants and hotels | Expenses on restaurants (catering services) and hotels (accommodation services). Ideally, corresponds to Code 11 of the COICOP classification. | CATSERV+SCHRST+ACCOM | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| CATSER | Catering services | Meals, snacks, and drinks provided by restaurants, cafés, etc., including those provided: - in cultural, sporting or entertainment services: theatres, cinemas, sports stadiums, etc.; on public transport - ready to take food products and beverages, the sale of cooked dishes by catering contractors, -Catering services of works canteens, and canteens in schools, universities etc. | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| SCHRST | School restaurants expenditures | Meals, snacks, and drinks provided in school restaurants | In many countries, those expenses are lumped with catering services. | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | / | | |
| ACCOM | Accommodation and hotel expenses | Accommodation services of: - hotels, boarding houses, motels, inns and establishments offering "bed and breakfast"; - holiday villages and holiday centers, camping and caravan sites, youth hostels and mountain chalets; - boarding schools, universities and other educational establishments; - public transport (trains, boats, etc.) when priced separately; - hostels for young workers or immigrants. | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |

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| | | | | | | Survey Values and Value Labels | Universe | Key | Variable (s) used from the survey | Country specific comments |
| MISCEXP | Miscellaneous goods and services | Expenses on miscellaneous goods and services, such as personal care, personal effects n.e.c., social protection, insurance, financial services n.e.c., other services n.e.c. Ideally, corresponds to Code 12 of the COICOP classification. | Some surveys may report information on taxes and remittances without clear specification of the nature of the tax expenses... these expenditures are included in this part. PCEXP+SPEXP+FEXP+FEES+PTRANSF | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| PCEXP | Personal care and personal effects | Hairdressing salons and appliances for personal care, Jewellery, clocks and miscellaneous personal articles | Electric razors, hairdryers, electric toothbrushes etc. are included in this subgroup | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | 2 codes (3705,3706) representing expenditure on shopping and expenditure on shopping during internal trips were added to PCEXP (Personal care & effects). |
| SPEXP | Social protection | Covers assistance and support services provided to persons who are elderly, disabled, unemployed, homeless, low-income earners, immigrants, refugees, etc. It also covers assistance and support services provided to families and children. | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| FEXP | Insurance and financial services | Service charges for insurance such as life insurance and non-life insurance (that is, insurance in connection with the dwelling, health, transport, etc.). Service charges for multi-risk insurance covering several risks should be classified on the basis of the cost of the principal risk if it is not possible to allocate the service charges to the various risks covered. Actual charges for the financial services of banks | Service charge for insurance is defined as the difference between claims due and premiums earned and premium supplement | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| FEES | Penalties and other fees | Financial penalties, traffic violation fees etc., fees for issuing passport ID cards, visas, birth certificate, driving license etc. membership fees.. And other non specified fees | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| PTRANSF | Private transfers given | Remittances inside and outside the country, gifts to relatives cash or in-kind, charities, zakat, Alimony etc. | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| TOTFOOD | Total food expenditures | | In case where the own produced food items are also included in code 01 we need to abstract from OWNPF FOODEXP+CATSER+SCHRST | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| TNFOOND | Total expenditures on non-food and non-durables | | Alcoholic and tobacco expenditures are included here TOTEXP-(FOODEXP+TDUR+THOUS) | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| TDUR | Total expenses on durables | | HSFUR+MHAPL+MHOPE+TAEQ+TRVEH+TTEQP+CULDUR | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| THOUS | Actual and imputed rentals for housing | | ARHOUS+IMPREN | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| TOTEXP | Total expenditures | Individual consumption expenditure of household. Ideally, corresponds to Codes 01 to 12 of the COICOP classification | In cases where the original survey provides expenditures according to the COICOP classification, this variable is the sum over the expenditure variables above. Otherwise, it is either derived from the "total expenditures" variable in the original survey (if available) or is left blank. FOODEXP+ALCOEXP+APPEXP+HOUSEXP+EQUIPEXP+MEDEXP+TRANEXP+COMMEXP+CULTEXP+EDUCEXP+RESTOEXP+MISCEXP | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| LUMP | Lumpy expenses | Expenses on marriage, dowries, mahr, funeral, birth etc lump sum divorce (excluding alimony) payment and any other occasional expenses | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| INTER | Interests paid on consumption and loans | Interest paid on loans for the purchase of consumption or durable goods | These expenses should not be part of consumption aggregates | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |
| TAX | Expenditures on taxes and levies | Taxes on consumption and durable goods, property taxes etc. | Taxes should be included in consumption aggregates only if they are closely related to services provided such as households that are paying more tax are receiving more services. In that latter case (if there is enough detail in the survey about taxes) this category should be disaggregated according to the nature of taxes paid. | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | A | | |

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| HOUSEHOLD INCOME | | Including when possible annual amounts of earnings from labor and the contributions paid on them, capital income and property, taxes, social insurance benefits, social assistance benefits and other (private) transfers | All income variables are recorded as yearly amounts. ERF annualizes the amounts, if not provided as such in original data. Annual Income amounts should be reported in country national currency As a rule, household-level income amounts are derived by summing the individual-level values for all individuals in the household. When individual data are not available, reported household amounts are used and these cases will be noted in the country-specific documentation. Where the household income variables are directly calculated from person-level income variables, these formulations are shown below, as are those instances when the variable is created by summing sub-categories within the household data. | | | | | | | | |
| FILE LEVEL: HOUSEHOLD | | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL HOUSEHOLDS | | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: ONE YEAR | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: INCOME | | | | | | | | | | | |
| GWAG | Gross wages and salaries | Cash wage and salary income (including employer bonuses, 13th month bonus, etc.), gross of employee social insurance contributions/taxes but net of employer social insurance contributions/taxes. | When employer-provided sick pay can not be separated, it is included in the wages. In case there is no precision about whether the wage is net or gross we classify it under gross wage If incomes are not available at the individual level, the variable is constructed directly from household level original information. | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | / | | | |
| NWAG | Net wages and salaries | Cash wage and salary income (including employer bonuses, 13th month bonus, etc.), net of employer and employee social insurance contributions and taxes. | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | / | | | |
| IKEAR | In-kind earnings | In-kind income as a substitute or complement for cash wages. Includes, for example, the value of company cars, meals, housing, electricity, medical expenses, child care etc. paid or partly paid by the employer. | It does not exist on its own at the person level. | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | / | | | |
| SINC | Self-employment income | Profit/loss from unincorporated enterprises. The income is recorded gross of social insurance contributions (but net of expenses). | Self-employment income is often collected with a different reference period than other more regular incomes; for example, it could refer to the last financial year for which business accounts for the purposes of taxation were prepared. Includes imputed income from owner occupied dwellings and own produced food for home consumption If farm and non-farm self-employment income are not supplied separately, users can try to split them at the individual level | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | / | | | |
| RENTAL | Income less expenses from rentals | Rentals from dwellings, business buildings, vehicles, equipment, etc excludes rent from land | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | / | | | |
| PROINC | Property income | Interest received less interest paid Dividends Rent from land | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | / | | | |
| TRANSF | Current transfers received | Social insurance, assistance, inter-household transfers, regular support received such as charities, remittances received, gifts received Disability pensions, allowances, benefits etc. Child/family benefits | | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | / | | | |
| TRPAID | Current transfers paid | Employers' social insurance contributions Employees' social insurance contributions Taxes on income less refund Regular taxes on wealth Regular inter-household cash transfers Regular cash transfers to charities | In some datasets mandatory social insurance contributions are recorded together with the taxes and are, therefore, included here. If the original data only has one tax variable with all the taxes lumped together, the variable is included here. If the original survey only asked for net incomes, this variable usually remains empty. In many datasets, income taxes are not asked directly to the respondents but simulated through a taxation micro simulation model. | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | / | | | |
| TOTDINC | Total disposable income | | GWAG+SINC+RENTAL+PROINC+TRANSF | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | / | | | |
| TOTINC | Total income | | TOTDINC+TRPAID | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | / | | | |

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| PERSONS | | | | | | | | | | |
| FILE LEVEL: PERSON | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL INDIVIDUALS | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: AT PRESENT | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: IDENTIFICATION | | | | | | | | | | |
| PNUM | Person identifier | Person identification number (usually the person line number in the household) | This identifier is unique within each household. In order to uniquely identify an individual, both CASENUM and PNUM are required. | Ordered discrete variable | | | All INDs | A | D1 | |
| FILE LEVEL: PERSON | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL INDIVIDUALS | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: AT PRESENT | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: FILE INFORMATION | | | | | | | | | | |
| PWEIGHT | Person weight | Data-provider person weight. | Very few data providers construct a different weight for each member of the household. If a person weight exists in the original dataset, we do report it here (even though it turns out to be the same for all household members in most cases), otherwise we assign the household weight to all household members. All statistical analysis performed should use the appropriate weight. | Continuous variable | | | All INDs | / | | |
| FILE LEVEL: PERSON | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL INDIVIDUALS | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: AT PRESENT | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: DEMOGRAPHICS | | | | | | | | | | |
| PAGE | Age | Age in years. | In some datasets, age may be calculated at a certain reference date (e.g., 31 December of last year). When the original dataset has only age categories, age is calculated as the midpoint of the range provided. In some datasets, AGE is top coded by the data provider (e.g., a value of 95 represents 95 years of age or over). | Ordered discrete variable | | | All INDs | A | D5 | 98 indicates those aged 98 years or older |
| PSEX | Gender | Indicator for gender of individual. | | Harmonized Categorical variable | 1 Male | 1 Male | All INDs | A | D4 | |
| | | | | | 2 Female | 2 Female | | | | |
| PMART | Marital status | Legal administrative status concerning marriage & partnership (even if not married, a person can be still legally recognized as being in a relationship). | There is no Polygamous status for females. Generally the information about polygamous status is available only for the head (male). For the other individuals we consider those having the status married as monogamous. | Harmonized Categorical variable | 1 Never married | 1 Never married | INDs aged 12+ | A | D26 | |
| | | | | | 2 Married monogamous | 2 Legally married 3 Married | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Married polygamous | | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Divorced/Separated | 4 Divorced 6 Separated | | | | |
| | | | | | 5 Widowed | 5 Widowed | | | | |
| | | | | | 99 Not stated | (members>=12 years, if D26=missing) | | | | |
| PREL | Relationship to head | Relationship to the head of household, where the value '1' always stands for the head of the household him/herself. The value "Other relatives " includes Nephew and Niece, Grandparents, son/daughters in law etc... | | Harmonized Categorical variable | 1 Head of household | 1 Head of household | All INDs | A | D3 | |
| | | | | | 2 Spouse | 2 Husband/wife | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Son/Daughter | 3 Son/daughter | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Father/mother (parents) | 4 Father/mother | | | | |
| | | | | | 5 Brother/sister | 5 Brother/sister | | | | |
| | | | | | 6 Grandchildren | 7 Grandchild | | | | |
| | | | | | 7 Other relatives | 6 Grandfather/mother 8 Daughter/son in law 9 Other relatives | | | | |
| | | | | | 8 Other non-relatives | 10 Others | | | | |

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| FILE LEVEL: PERSON | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL INDIVIDUALS | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: AT PRESENT | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: FATHER AND MOTHER INFORMATION | | | | | | | | | | |
| PFPRES | Father present at home | Indicates whether the father is present at home, not a household member or dead. | In case there is no information available about whether the father is dead or not we just use code 2 (not a HH member). In case, the relationship to head variable indicates that the brother of the head is living in the HH with nephews/nieces of the head we assume that these last are the sons/daughters of the head's brother . | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Yes | | All INDs | A | D9 D10 | Father and Mother Variables were generated based on D7 and D9 indicating if mother/father are still alive and if they are household members. The rest of the parents characteristics were based on D8 and D10 indicating the mother/father line number in the household. |
| | | | | | 2 Father is not a household member | | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Father is dead | | | | | |
| PMPRES | Mother present at home | Indicates whether the mother is present at home, not a household member or dead. | There might be a problem identifying the mother from the Roster in case of multiple spouses. This variable can be clearly identified only in the fathers'/mothers' ID is provided in the dataset. In case of only one spouse she is assumed to be the mother, unless the age checking is could identify those living with their step mother (mother died or divorced). | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Yes | | All INDs | A | D7 D8 | |
| | | | | | 2 Mother is not a household member | | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Mother is dead | | | | | |
| PFATHID | ID of the father | Indicates the PNUM (the line number in the HH) of the father | This information is available for the son/daughter of the head, partially available for the head and brother/sister of the head and is missing for the other individuals (exception for Iraq). In case we have the brother of the head living in the HH with the nephew/niece of the head we assume that these last are the son (daughter) of the head's brother . Since very few surveys report this information. Value can be imputed from the roster (or individual file) but might be available only if PFPRES = 1. | Ordered discrete variable | | | All INDs | A | D10 | |
| PMOTHID | ID of the Mother | Indicates the PNUM (the line number in the HH) of the mother | Same as PMPRES Since very few surveys report this information. Value can be imputed from the roster (or individual file) but might be available only if PMPRES = 1. | Ordered discrete variable | | | | | All INDs | |
| PFAGE | Age of the father | | | Ordered discrete variable | | | All INDs | A | D5 | |
| PMAGE | Age of the mother | | | | | | | | | |
| PFMART | Marital status of the father | | | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Never married 2 Married monogamous 3 Married polygamous 4 Divorced/Separated 5 Widowed 99 Not stated | Structured the same as PMART | All INDs | A | D26 | |
| PMMART | Marital status of the mother | | | | | | | | | |
| PFEDUC | Educational level of the father | | | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 None 2 Primary 3 Lower secondary 4 Secondary 5 Post secondary or equivalent 6 University 7 Postgraduate 99 Not stated | Structured the same as PEDUC | All INDs | A | D16 | |
| PMEDUC | Educational level of the mother | | | | | | | | | |
| PFMAS | Main activity of the father | | | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Employed 2 Unemployed 3 Homemaker (Housewife) 4 Student 5 Pensioners/retired/disabled 6 Others 99 Not stated | Structured the same as PCMAS | All INDs | A | D18 | |
| PMMAS | Main activity of the mother | | | | | | | | | |
| PFCEMS | Employment status of the father | | | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Employee 2 Employer 3 Own account, self-employed 4 Contributing (unpaid) family workers 5 Member of producers cooperatives 6 Workers not classifiable by status (other) 99 Not stated | Structured the same as PCEMS | All INDs | A | D19 | |
| PMCEMS | Employment status of the mother | | | | | | | | | |

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| PFOCC | Occupation of the main job of the father | | | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Legislators, senior officials and managers 2 Professionals 3 Technicians and associate professionals 4 Clerks 5 Service workers and shop and market sales 6 Skilled agricultural and fishery workers 7 Craft and related trades 8 Plant and machine operators and assemblers 9 Elementary occupations 10 Armed Forces 11 Other/unspecified 99 Not stated | Structured the same as POCC | All INDs | A | D21 | |
| PMOCC | Occupation of the main job of the mother | | | | | | | | | |
| PFIND | Industry of the main job of the father | | | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Agriculture and Fishing 2 Mining 3 Manufacturing 4 Electricity and Utilities 5 Construction 6 Commerce 7 Transportation, Storage and Communication 8 Financial, Insurance and Real Estate 9 Public Administration 10 Other Services 11 Unspecified 99 Not stated | Structured the same as PIND | All INDs | A | D22 | |
| PMIND | Industry of the main job of the mother | | | | | | | | | |
| PFTYPEWK | Sector of employment of the father | | | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Government 2 Public sector 3 Private sector 4 Joint/Cooperative 5 Foreign sector 6 Other 99 Not stated | Structured the same as PTYPEWK | All INDs | A | D23 | |
| PMTYPEWK | Sector of employment of the mother | | | | | | | | | |
| FILE LEVEL: PERSON | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL INDIVIDUALS | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: AT PRESENT | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: NATIONALITY AND IMMIGRATION STATUS | | | | | | | | | | |
| PETHNAT | Ethnicity/nationality | Ethnicity or nationality | The content of this variable is not uniform. In many datasets where information on ethnicity or nationality is not available in the original survey, it can also contain country of birth, race, ancestry or mother tongue. | Harmonized Categorical variable | 0 Non-citizen | | All INDs | / | | |
| | | | | | 1 Citizen | | | | | |
| PIMMIGR | Immigration status | Ideally indicates whether an individual is born in the country or has an immigrant background, and if possible, how recently he/she arrived. Other migration status information may be included if available. | The content of this variable is not uniform. By other migration status we tempt to capture those who migrate from one region to another inside the country (if the place of birth is different from the place of residence inside the country) | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Immigrant (from abroad) | | All INDs | / | | |
| | | | | | 2 Migrant (from another region inside the country) | | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 No | | | | | |
| PBIR | Is the individual born in his residence place | This variable indicates whether the individual is born in his place of residence | | Dummy variable | 0 No | | All INDs | / | | |
| | | | | | 1 Yes | | | | | |
| PBIRPL | Place of Birth | This variable includes the region, the area or the country of birth of the person | Very few surveys contain this information | Categorical variable | | | All INDs | / | | |

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| | | | | | | Survey Values and Value Labels | Universe | Key | Variable (s) used from the survey | Country specific comments |
| FILE LEVEL: PERSON | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL INDIVIDUALS | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: AT PRESENT | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: EDUCATION | | | | | | | | | | |
| PLIT | Literacy status | This variable indicates whether the person is literate (can read and write) or not | A person is considered literate if they can both read and write and not just one or the other. A semi-literate person (one who can read, but cannot write) is said to be illiterate. In the case where the survey asks only whether a person can read but does not ask if they can write, and in case there no information in the questionnaire about the reading and writing ability literacy cannot be determined, these are coded as missing. If there are no questions about the read and write ability but the educational attainment is elementary or upper the individual is considered literate | Dummy variable | 0 No | 1 Illiterate | INDs aged 10+ | A | D16 | |
| | | | | | 1 Can read & write | 2 Can read and write 3 Elementary 4 Preparatory 5 Secondary 6 Associate diploma 7 Bachelor 8 High diploma 9 Master 10 PhD | | | | |
| EVERATTD | Ever attended school | This variable indicates whether the individual have ever attended school, academic, "Coranic" or any other formal or informal school | All persons of pre-primary school age or above. Primary school age will vary by country. Value must be missing for others. This is country-specific and depends on how school attendance is defined. Pre-school is included here. Also, in some countries, ever attended is yes only if the person attended for some minimum amount of time. The differences need to be carefully documented. One is not required to have completed any level of education to answer this question positively. By logic, EVERATTD, PEDUC and PATSCH have the following relationship: If PATSCH=1, EVERATTD=1 If PEDUC>=2 (and ≠ 99), EVERATTD=1 If PEDUC=99 & PATSCH=0, EVERATTD=0 | Dummy variable | 0 No | 4 Never attended school | INDs aged 5+ | A | D14 | |
| | | | | | 1 Yes | 1 Currently attending school 2 Attended at any time and left before completing 3 Attended school and graduated | | | | |
| | | | | | 99 Not stated | (members>=5 years, if D14=missing) | | | | |
| TYPSCCH | What type of school | Type of school attended by the individual | | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Coranic | | INDs aged+ | / | | |
| | | | | | 2 Academic | | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Adult education or literacy program | | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Vocational or other | | | | | |
| PEDUC | Educational level | Highest level of education attained. | Primary corresponds to elementary, and lower secondary to preparatory/second stage of basic education In case there is no distinction in the survey between primary and preparatory education level and the individual is not currently enrolled in school we consider his education level primary If there is no information on highest level of education completed, the variable can be constructed using diploma level and/or years of education. The selection of the variable must be based on a careful review of the data. When using currently attending information (level or grade) to construct the variable, it must correspond to the grade (or level) presently attending minus one (1). This is country specific- not all countries require the same number of school years to complete a given level. The value "None" does not mean that the person never attended school it means that the individual did not complete the first level of education (elementary) None corresponds either to those currently enrolled in primary but didn't get the diploma or those illiterate, Read and Write, in informal school such as Coranic school, traditional, vocational training or adult etc.(cross tabulation with type of school will allow to identify those without education level) If there is no question on highest level of education completed for those not attending school and there is no information on diploma and/or years of education completed, then the variable cannot be constructed. University education level refers to any higher education after successfully completing secondary level of education regardless of whether this was completed. Not stated is for cases where no education level is stated- this should be checked and avoided as much as possible. This classification should be documented. If no information on the completeness of the education level, classify as incomplete and add specific comment to documentation. If person is illiterate and there is no information on school level, cases are coded 1 "None". If there is no information on the literacy status all levels other than formal education grades and not stated can be coded 1 "None". | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 None | 1 Illiterate 2 Can read and write | INDs aged 5+ | A | D16 | |
| | | | | | 2 Primary | 3 Elementary | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Lower secondary | 4 Preparatory | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Secondary | 5 Secondary | | | | |
| | | | | | 5 Post secondary or equivalent | 6 Associate diploma | | | | |
| | | | | | 6 University | 7 Bachelor | | | | |
| | | | | | 7 Postgraduate | 8 High diploma 9 Masters 10 PhD | | | | |
| | | | | | 99 Not stated | (members aged >=10 years for whom D16=missing) | | | | |

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| | | | | | | Survey Values and Value Labels | Universe | Key | Variable (s) used from the survey | Country specific comments |
| PTYPSEC | Type of secondary school attended | | Only individuals who answered codes 4 in PEDUC are eligible. For all others, it will be missing. If there is no indication about the type of secondary school the variable will be missing | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Academic | | INDs aged+ | / | | |
| | | | | | 2 Technical or vocational | | | | | |
| PYEDUC | Number of effective years of schooling | This is a continuous variable of the number of years of formal schooling completed. | The lower age cut-off at which information is collected will vary from country to country. If no grade level information exists, this variable will be missing. The variable does not take into account the actual number of years required to reach this level, in other words, first grade repeated three times still only counts as 1 year of schooling. If a person has completed a BA/BSc, MA/MSc or PhD, but no number of years is known, use country specific information for the number of years. | Ordered discrete variable | | | INDs aged 5+ | A | D15 | Generated from the variable indicating the number of education years, completed for household members aged 5 years or older. The variable reports “zero” number of years for all those who never attended school |
| PATSCH | School attendance status | Indicates whether the individual is currently attending school | If person on short school holiday when interviewed, he or she is considered to be at school. However, if the person is on the holiday between two years of schooling, one cannot assume that he/she will continue schooling into the next year. Variable can be created using either attendance or enrolment question (since typically just one of them is available in each survey). In the case that both questions were available, attendance question MUST be used. This variable must ALWAYS have a note specifying which question (attendance/ enrolment) had been used to create it. Does not include pre-school or kindergarten programs. Value must be missing for others. Does not require one to have completed any level. Adults currently attending literacy programs are considered as attending school (PATSCH = 1) In case the person is not currently attending school but there is no information on whether he attended school and left or never attended school use information from PEDUC to impute the right value. | Dummy variable | 0 No | 2 Attended at any time and left before completing 3 Attended school and graduated 4 Never attended school | INDs aged 5+ | A | D14 | |
| | | | | | 1 Yes | 1 Currently attending school | | | | |
| PENROL | Level of schooling presently attending | PENROL ideally provides information on the level of education in which the individual is enrolled. | For persons presently attending school (PATSCH=1), value missing for others. For secondary school, if not specified in the questionnaire, it is assumed that it is an academic secondary school. For the surveys where is no distinction between university and post university they are considered as university As with PEDUC, we recommend that PENROL be restructured as a categorical variable appropriate to the analysis. | Harmonized Categorical variable | 1 Primary | 1 Illiterate (if age <=16) 2 Can read and write | Currently enrolled INDs aged 5+ | A | D16 | Generated only for those currently attending school and reported as outside labor force in the relation to labor force variable (neither employed nor unemployed), while for those reported as currently attending but are employed/unemployed, the level of schooling was recoded missing. The variable is generated using the highest level of education attained+1, therefore it is only generated for individuals aged 5+, i.e., if the highest level attained is primary for example, normally the individual should be attending in preparatory, except for postgraduates remained postgraduates since no higher levels could be attained and those who were illiterate and are currently students were recoded into “other” education together with those indicated “read and write” in the educational status. “Secondary” and “Intermediate college” graduates” were classified into “university” since no distinction between academic/vocational/technical secondary. |
| | | | | | 2 Lower secondary | 3 Elementary | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Higher secondary- academic | 4 Preparatory | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Higher Secondary-technical/vocational | | | | | |
| | | | | | 5 Post secondary technical | | | | | |
| | | | | | 6 University | 5 Secondary 6 Associate diploma | | | | |
| | | | | | 7 Postgraduate | 7 Bachelor 8 High diploma 9 Masters 10 PhD | | | | |
| | | | | | 8 Other | 1 Illiterate (if age>16) | | | | |
| ATYPSCCH | Type of school attending | Provides information on the type of school the person is currently attending | Only for persons currently at school (PATSCH=1). Value must be missing for others. Public includes fully government owned as well as semi-public organization. Private are facilities run by non-governmental organizations (e.g. NGOs, religious institutions) or by private entities. Other refers to schools that cannot be categorized in the above classification such as community schools run by local parent groups. Does not include pre-school or kindergarten. For adults attending literacy programs use “Other” | Harmonized Categorical variable | 1 Public | | Currently enrolle INDs aged+ | / | | |
| | | | | | 2 Private | | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Coranic | | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Adult literacy | | | | | |
| | | | | | 5 Other | | | | | |

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| FILE LEVEL: PERSON | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL INDIVIDUALS | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: AT PRESENT | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: HEALTH | | | | | | | | | | |
| PSDISABL | Disability status | Indicates whether the individual have any type of disability or not | | Dummy variable | 0 No | Else | All INDs | A | D13 | |
| | | | | | 1 Disabled | 1 Vision 2 Hearing 3 Inhabitants 4 Vision and hearing 5 Mobility 6 Use fingers 7 Mentality 8 Mentality and mobility 9 Multi 10 Other | | | | |
| PTDISABL | Type of disability | This variable specifies, if available, the type of disability. | | Harmonized Categorical variable | 1 Blindness | 1 Vision | INDs reported disabled | A | D13 | |
| | | | | | 2 Deafness | 2 Hearing | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Muteness | | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Speech disability | | | | | |
| | | | | | 5 Walking disability | | | | | |
| | | | | | 6 Physical (movement) disability | 5 Mobility | | | | |
| | | | | | 7 Limp disability | | | | | |
| | | | | | 8 Mental retardation | 7 Mentality | | | | |
| | | | | | 9 Multiple disability | 4 Vision and hearing 8 Mentality and mobility 9 Multi | | | | |
| | | | | | 10 Other | 3 Inhabitants 6 Use fingers 10 Other | | | | |

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| FILE LEVEL: PERSON | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL INDIVIDUALS | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: AT PRESENT | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: LABOUR STATUS | | | | | | | | | | |
| PCLFS | Labor force status in the current period | Current labor force status that distinguishes between the employed, the unemployed, and those not in the labor force. | Variable is constructed for all persons administered this module in each questionnaire. For this reason the lower age cut-off (and perhaps upper age cut-off) at which information is collected will vary from country to country. All persons are considered active in the labor force if they presently have a job (formal or informal, i.e. are employed) or do not have a job but are actively seeking work (i.e. unemployed). Variable is constructed for all persons administered this module in each questionnaire. For this reason the age cut-offs at which information is collected will vary from country to country. | Harmonized Categorical variable | 1 Active | 1 Employed for 1-14 hrs 2 Employed for 15 hrs or more 3 Absent from work 4 Unemployed ever worked 5 Unemployed never worked | INDs aged 10+ | A | D18 | |
| | | | | | 2 Inactive | 6 Full time student 7 Housewife/keeper 8 Unable to work 9 not working& not looking for work 10 Does not work and does not Seek job/because hopelessness 11 Other | | | | |
| | | | | | 99 Not stated | (members aged >=10 years for whom d18=missing) | | | | |
| PCMAS | Main activity status in the current period | Main activity status with respect to the labor force, that distinguishes between the employed and the not employed. The employed are those for whom work is the main activity, while for all the others, the main activity should attempt to distinguish between pensioners, students, and homemakers. | The reference period might be the last 12 months or the current time period. Unlike PCLFS, the main distinction in PCMAS is between: - "Employed" -those who, during the reference period, carried out ANY employment (any type or any extent) - even just one occasional hour of paid work or irregular unpaid family work (ILO definition). Among the employed, the variable should distinguish, if available, between those employed at work and those on leave - "Not Employed". The rationale is that individuals do not generally spend their time "being unemployed", but use the time in unemployment to participate in other activities (e.g., attending school or being a housewife). Unemployment will generally be considered the primary activity only if the individual states that unemployment is his/her primary activity (e.g., unemployed and actively searching for a job) or if the individual is registered as unemployed and does not indicate significant participation in any other activity. In these cases, the individuals will be assigned to their own category among the "Not Employed". Accordingly, "Not Employed" are classified into: - Unemployed - individuals who are not employed according to the definition above, and who report that they are unemployed. - Not in Labor Force / Inactive – individuals identifiable as being neither employed nor unemployed, by the definitions above. If possible, the inactive category should distinguish between the retired, students, and homemakers. - Not Employed / Unemployed or Not in Labor Force - In some cases, it is not possible to distinguish between those who are unemployed and those who are inactive, but it is possible to determine that they are not employed. In those cases where it is not feasible to determine unemployed versus inactive status, these individuals will be coded as "Not Employed". In some surveys individuals are classified as employed students (or employed housewives) in that case they are considered as active in PCLFS and classified student (or housewives) in PCMAS. A cross tab between the two variables will permit to distinguish employed students (or housewives) from inactive ones. A proper documentation should particularly be done for those cases during harmonization process | Harmonized Categorical variable | 1 Employed | 1 Employed for 1-14 hrs 2 Employed for 15 hrs or more 3 Absent from work | INDs aged 10+ | A | D18 | |
| | | | | | 2 Unemployed | 4 Unemployed ever worked 5 Unemployed never worked | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Homemaker (Housewife) | 7 Housewife/keeper | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Student | 6 Full time student | | | | |
| | | | | | 5 Pensioners/retired/disabled | 8 Unable to work | | | | |
| | | | | | 6 Others | 9 not working& not looking for work 10 Does not work and does not Seek job/because hopelessness 11 Other | | | | |
| | | | | | 99 Not stated | (members aged >=10 years for whom d18=missing) | | | | |

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| PCEMS | Status of Employment | Detailed description of the employment status (employee, own-account workers, employer, unpaid family worker, etc.) in (current or last held) job, ideally following the ICSE classification. | The lower age cutoff (and perhaps upper age cutoff) at which information is collected will vary from country to country. Definitions taken from the International Labor Organizations Classification of Status in Employment with some revisions to take into account the data available. Employee includes anyone whose basic remuneration is not directly dependent on the revenue of the unit they work for, typically remunerated by wages and salaries but may be paid for piece work or in-kind. The continuous criteria used in the ILO definition is not used here as data are often absent and due to country specificity. Public includes quasi-government organizations. Employer is a business owner (whether alone or in partnership) with employees. If the only people working in the business are the owner and contributing family workers, the person is not considered an employer (as has no employees) and is, instead classified as own account. Own account or self-employment: jobs are those where remuneration is directly dependent from the goods and service produced (where home consumption is considered to be part of the profits) and have not engaged any permanent employees to work for them on a continuous basis during the reference period. Members of producers cooperatives are workers who hold a self-employment job in a cooperative producing goods and services. Contributing family workers are those workers who hold a self-employment job in a market-oriented establishment operated by a related person living in the same households who cannot be regarded as a partner because of their degree of commitment to the operation of the establishment, in terms of working time or other factors, is not at a level comparable to that of the head of the establishment. Workers not classifiable by status (code 6) include those for whom insufficient relevant information is available and/or who cannot be included in any of the preceding categories. The variable should generally cover the active sample (employed and unemployed). Active sample reported as "not stated (code 99)" should normally include employed for whom the status was not identified and unemployed if status in last job is not reported. | Harmonized Categorical variable | 1 Employee | 4 Work for regular wage | Active INDs aged 10+ | A | D19 | |
| | | | | | 2 Employer | 1 Employer | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Own account, self-employed | 2 Self employed | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Contributing (unpaid) family workers | 3 Unpaid employee | | | | |
| | | | | | 5 Member of producers cooperatives | | | | | |
| | | | | | 6 Workers not classifiable by status (other) | | | | | |
| | | | | | 99 Not stated | (members aged >= 10 years for whom d19=missing) | | | | |
| | | | | | POCC | Classification of Occupations for main job | | | | |
| 2 Professionals | 211 thru 246 | | | | | | | | | |
| 3 Technicians and associate professionals | 311 thru 348 | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 Clerks | 411 thru 422 | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 Service workers and shop and market sales | 512 thru 523 | | | | | | | | | |
| 6 Skilled agricultural and fishery workers | 611 thru 621 | | | | | | | | | |
| 7 Craft and related trades | 711 thru 744 | | | | | | | | | |
| 8 Plant and machine operators and assemblers | 811 thru 833 | | | | | | | | | |
| 9 Elementary occupations | 911 thru 933 | | | | | | | | | |
| 10 Armed Forces | | | | | | | | | | |
| 11 Other/unspecified | 71 "undefined code" | | | | | | | | | |
| 99 Not stated | (members >=10 years for whom D21=missing) | | | | | | | | | |

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| PIND | International Standard Industrial Classification of main job | Industry classification of the main (current or last held) job, with as much detail as possible. | In many datasets national classifications are used. The variable should generally cover the active sample (employed and unemployed). Active sample reported as "not stated (code 99)" should normally include employed for whom the industry was not identified and unemployed if industry of last job is not reported. | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Agriculture and Fishing | 111 thru 150 | Active INDs aged 10+ | A | D22 | * Labels for codes of D22 were undefined, However, they seem to follow ISIC REV.3.1 * Commerce also includes hotels and restaurants. * education is included in other services |
| | | | | | 2 Mining | 1410 | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Manufacturing | 1511 thru 3720 | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Electricity and Utilities | 4010 thru 4100 | | | | |
| | | | | | 5 Construction | 4510 thru 4550 | | | | |
| | | | | | 6 Commerce | 5010 thru 5520 | | | | |
| | | | | | 7 Transportation, Storage and Communication | 6021 thru 6420 | | | | |
| | | | | | 8 Financial, Insurance and Real Estate | 6519 thru 7494 | | | | |
| | | | | | 9 Public Administration | 7511 thru 7530 | | | | |
| | | | | | 10 Other Services | 8010 thru 9900 | | | | |
| | | | | | 11 Unspecified | Other undefined codes "12,453,500,4223,4234,4239,7533" | | | | |
| | | | | | 99 Not stated | (members >= 10 years for whom D22=missing) | | | | |
| PTYPEWK | Sector of employment | Sector of employment (i.e. private versus public sector workers) of the (current or last held) primary job. | Cooperative includes also employee in joint ventures. Other include workers in national NGOs and in private households Foreign includes workers in international NGOs Quai public sectors are considered as public. In case there is no distinction between Government and public (the survey mixes both categories) we use the classification used in the original data. The variable should generally cover the active sample (employed and unemployed). Active sample reported as "not stated (code 99)" should normally include employed for whom the sector was not identified and unemployed if sector of last job is not reported. | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Government | 3 national-governmental 4 foreign-governmental | Active INDs aged 10+ | A | D23 | |
| | | | | | 2 Public sector | | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Private sector | 1 national private 2 foreign private | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Joint/Cooperative | | | | | |
| | | | | | 5 Foreign sector | 7 international organization | | | | |
| | | | | | 6 Other | 5 non-profit associations 6 UNRWA 8 outside establishments | | | | |
| | | | | | 99 Not stated | (members >= 10 years for whom D23=missing) | | | | |
| PTENURE | Tenure in current job | Duration of time worked in main (current or last held) job. | PTENURE may be provided directly in the data or may be calculated from calendar data or a combination of questions. The variable should generally cover the active sample (employed and unemployed). | Semi-standardized continuous variable when information is provided in continuous years | | | Active INDs aged+ | / | | |
| PWEEKTL | Total weeks worked | Number of weeks worked in a year | PWEEKTL provides the number of weeks worked in any job (full- or part-time) during the reference period. The variable should generally cover the active sample (employed and unemployed). | Semi-standardized continuous variable when provided weeks are continuous | | | Active INDs aged 10+ | A | D25 | Number of weeks worked was generated using the variable provided (D25) on number of working months. The available variable was multiplied by 4 to compute the number of working weeks. |

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| FILE LEVEL: PERSON | | | 1) All income variables are recorded as yearly amounts. Amounts are annualized, if not provided in original survey. | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL INDIVIDUALS | | | 2) All income variables are recorded in national currency amounts. | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: ONE YEAR | | | 3) Non-existing social benefits or other income sources are recorded as 0. | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: ANNUAL INCOME | | | As a rule, household-level income amounts are derived by summing the individual-level values for all individuals in the household. When individual data are not available, reported household amounts are used. In these cases, the person-level variables will not be available and these cases will be noted in the country-specific documentation. | | | | | | | |
| | | | Where the household income variables are directly calculated from LIS person-level income variables, these are noted below. | | | | | | | |
| | | | Annual Income amounts should be reported in country national currency | | | | | | | |
| PGWAG | Gross wages and salaries | Cash wage and salary income (including employer bonuses, 13th month bonus, etc.), gross of employee social insurance contributions/taxes but net of employer social insurance contributions/taxes. | When employer-provided sick pay can not be separated, it is included in the wages. In case there is no precision about whether the wage is net or gross we assume it is gross wage If incomes are not available at the individual level, the variable is constructed directly from household level original information. | Continuous variable | | | Income earners | / | | |
| PNWAG | Net wages and salaries | Cash wage and salary income (including employer bonuses, 13th month bonus, etc.), net of employer and employee social insurance contributions and taxes. | | Continuous variable | | | Income earners | / | | |
| PIKEAR | In-kind earnings | In-kind income as a substitute or complement for cash wages. Includes, for example, the value of company cars, meals, housing, electricity, medical expenses, child care etc. paid or partly paid by the employer. | It does not exist on its own at the person level. | Continuous variable | | | Income earners | / | | |
| PSINC | Self-employment income | Profit/loss from unincorporated enterprises. The income is recorded gross of social insurance contributions (but net of expenses). | Self-employment income is often collected with a different reference period than other more regular incomes; for example, it could refer to the last financial year for which business accounts for the purposes of taxation were prepared. Includes imputed income from owner occupied dwellings and own produced food for home consumption If farm and non-farm self-employment income are not supplied separately, users can try to split them at the individual level | Continuous variable | | | Income earners | / | | |
| PRENTAL | Income less expenses from rentals | Rentals from dwellings, business buildings, vehicles, equipment, etc excludes rent from land | | Continuous variable | | | Income earners | / | | |
| PPROINC | Property income | Interest received less interest paid Dividends Rent from land | | Continuous variable | | | Income earners | / | | |
| PTRANSF | Current transfers received | Social insurance, assistance, inter-household transfers, regular support received such as charities Disability pensions, allowances, benefits etc. Child/family benefits | | Continuous variable | | | Income earners | / | | |
| PTRPAID | Current transfers paid | Employers' social insurance contributions Employees' social insurance contributions Taxes on income less refund Regular taxes on wealth Regular inter-household cash transfers Regular cash transfers to charities | In some datasets mandatory social insurance contributions are recorded together with the taxes and are, therefore, included here. If the original data only has one tax variable with all the taxes lumped together, the variable is included here. If the original survey only asked for net incomes, this variable usually remains empty. In many datasets, income taxes are not asked directly to the respondents but simulated through a taxation micro simulation model. | Continuous variable | | | Income earners | / | | |
| PTOTDINC | Total disposable income | | PGWAG+PSINC+PRENTAL+PPROINC+PTRANSF | Continuous variable | | | Income earners | / | | |
| PTOTINC | Total income | | PTOTDINC+PTRPAID | Continuous variable | | | Income earners | / | | |