

## **Poland 1999: Survey Information**

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### **A. General characteristics**

Official name of the survey/data source:

Badania Budzetow Gospodarstw Domowych (Household Budget Survey)

Administrative Unit responsible for the survey:

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The main focus of the survey is the budget of the Polish households, in order to obtain more information on the level and sources of income of the Polish households, the patterns of their consumer expenditures and their living conditions. Funding for the survey was provided for by the Government budget. The data collected in this survey has been mainly used by the Polish Ministry of Labor and Social Policy, the Ministry of Health, the Central Planning Commission, etc.

### **B. Population, sampling size and sampling methods**

The original sample is rotating per quarter; as a result, data are grouped by three-monthly or even monthly samples.

In total 31,518 households, including 100,024 individuals were selected for the 1999 survey. Of these, 31,428 participated in the survey, including 99,791 individuals. Labour market, income and expenditure information is available only for the 77,684 economically active individuals.

Weights are used in the survey.

### **C. Data collection and acquisition**

The survey was held in 1999; all data (including income data) refer 1999.

### **D. Definition of the survey units**

The basic units of aggregation of the Polish Household Budget Survey are households. Within households, many data are collected at the individual level.

Individuals are considered economically active (and answer questions on economic activity, incomes and expenditures other than on main demographic indicators) if aged 15 or more at the date of interview.

### **E. Contents**

The data contain:

- General information about household (technical, territorial, grounds area, living conditions, opinions of respondents) for all 31428 participating households.
- Household equipment in durables and real properties for all 31428 participating households.
- Information about household members (relation to head of household, main demographic characteristics, education, main source of maintenance, invalidity) for all 99791 participating individuals (incl. children)
- Information about economic (professional) activity of household members (employment characteristics of workers and main information on reasons why not working and job search) for all 77630 economically active persons, i.e. individuals aged 15 or more at the date of the interview)
- Monetary and non-monetary incomes and expenditures for all 31428 participating households.

#### Income data

All income data are reported at the household level only, monthly and split by monetary and non-monetary receipts.

Incomes are reported net of taxes, but data on taxes are also available at detailed level.

The main categories of income are the following:

- Cash remaining from the previous month
- Incomes from hired work (wages and salaries of main job)
- Self-employment incomes
- Total property incomes
- Incomes from hiring houses and buildings not connected with economic activity
- Social benefits income
- Other social benefits
- Other incomes

- Sales of second hand consumer goods
- Financial receipts
- Incomes from farm (parcels)