

Original survey information, Colombia 2004

Generic information	
Name of survey	Continuous Household Survey / <i>Encuesta Continua de Hogares (ECH)</i>
Responsible institution	National Administrative Department of Statistics / Departamento Administrativo Nacional de Estadística (DANE), www.dane.gov.co
Main objective	Provide basic information about the size and structure of the population's labor force (employment, unemployment and inactivity), and other variables such as sex, age, marital status and education.
Structure of data source	Cross-sectional continuous household survey.
Frequency	Monthly since 2000, when the <i>Encuesta Nacional de Hogares (ENH)</i> was replaced by the <i>Encuesta Continua de hogares (ECH)</i> .
Survey year / Wave	ECH 2004
Coverage	Non-institutional civilian population residing in the thirteen major cities and metropolitan areas. The national coverage survey provides results for urban and rural areas, large regions and totals by department. The population of the so-called national territory before the 1991 constitution, which comprises approximately 4% of the population, is excluded.
Sampling	
Sampling procedure	Sampling design is probabilistic, stratified, with unequal clustering, multi-staged and self-weighted (for the 13 cities and their metropolitan areas). The sampling frame consists of the cartographic inventory and listings of dwellings by city from the Population and Housing National Census of 1993, with continuous updates and new counts of buildings and dwellings through the same sample, with the corresponding maintenance.
Sample size	The sample size in each quarter corresponds to 50,850 households in the thirteen cities and 12,510 households in other domains of study.
Collection	
Collection period	The collection is carried out on a continuous basis during 2004.
Collection mode	Interviews are conducted with direct or indirect informant, defined as a person over age 18 who is a household member other than a domestic servant.
Description of instruments	The ECH covers the following topics in basic modules or records conducted on an ongoing basis: general characteristics, labor force, employment, unemployment, inactivity. There are also modules whose questions are applied with less frequency: dwelling and household characteristics, migration, and child labor, among others
Definitions	
Household	Person or group of persons who occupy a dwelling in part or in whole, and have come together to sleep under the same roof and eat the food they share, or simply the former. These persons may or may not be related by kinship. Domestic servants and their families are considered members of the household as long as they sleep in the same dwelling where they work.
Household head	Habitual resident of the dwelling, recognized as head by the other members of the household.
Data quality aspects	
Non-response error	-
Item non-response / imputation	No imputation.
Weighting	The final expansion factor is the product of the basic expansion factor, the sub-sample weight, and the non-response adjustment factor.
Labour market information	
Eligibility	-
Employment	Persons that worked for pay (in money or in kind) for at least 1 hour during the week of reference, or did not work during the week of reference but held a paid job. This definition also includes unremunerated family workers who worked for at least 1 hour during the week of reference.
Income	
Reference period	Varies with survey module: at time of interview; week, month, or year prior to it.
Unit of time	Salaries, in kind payments, and commissions are reported on a monthly basis. Other payments are reported for the last 12 months.
Unit of collection	Individual.
Taxes and contributions	Employees declare gross incomes.
Restrictions	-
Additional remarks	
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Sources: Data provider.