

Original survey information, LIS - Estonia 2013

Generic information	
Name of survey	Estonian Social Survey (ESS) / Survey on Income and Living Conditions (SILC)
Responsible institution	Statistics Estonia / Eesti Statistika (ES)
Main objective	The main goal is to measure the income, subsistence and living conditions, poverty and social exclusion of Estonians. Additionally, to provide data for development of social policies and (comparative) scientific research.
Structure of data source	Rotating panel survey: the sample is composed by 4 independent panel sub-samples. Three panels are in the survey from previous years and one is a first-timer. All sample households included in the survey by sampling are interviewed in 4 consecutive years.
Frequency	Annual.
Survey year / Wave	2014 / wave 11
Coverage	All households in the national territory, with the exception of collective households (e.g. students' hostels, social welfare homes) and household of foreigners.
Sampling	
Sampling procedure	The design used is one-stage stratified unequal probability sampling of households, with a household selected with probability proportional to the number of persons aged 14+ in it. Stratification is done by geographical region. The counties (and capital Tallinn) were grouped into three strata by the population size.
Sample size	5,871 households and 12,415 persons.
Collection	
Collection period	Field work took place from February to June 2014. Official period was February -May, however ca. 12% of sample were interviewed in June.
Collection mode	99% CAPI ; 1% CATI.
Description of instruments	(1) Household Questionnaire, asked to the reference member of the household, with the following 6 sections: Interviewer's section, Tracing, General data of household, Living conditions, Economic welfare, Production for own Consumption, and Planned change of residence; (2) Personal Questionnaire, asked to all 16-year old and older, with the following sections: Background data, Studies, Everyday activities, Income, and Health. Additional Module on financial exclusion in order to research household access to banking service and households' loan burden. (3) EU-SILC Module on Material deprivation. (4) Administrative registers: since 2014 survey most incomes (except private transfers) are retrieved from administrative registers.
Definitions	
Household	Household is defined as a group of people who live in a common dwelling (at the same address) and share joint financial and/or food resources.
Household head	The household head is the reference member of the household, who is defined as a the 15-year-old or older household member who contributes the largest share to the household's income.
Data quality aspects	
Non-response error	Household non-response rates (NRh): 28,74 % ; individual non-response rates (NRp) within the interviewed households:1,26 % ; overall individual non-response rates (*NRp): 29,19%.
Item non-response / imputation	All missing values of income variables were imputed. The income of 79 persons with non-response to the individual interview within household that responded was fully imputed. Imputed rent and use of company car were imputed based on collected data. For the income components that were taken in gross amounts from the registers the net values were imputed as well as for the incomes collected net- the gross amounts were imputed.
Weighting	The weight are calculated on the bases of design weights derived from inclusion probabilities and are adjusted to compensate for the bias caused by non-response (using a regression model) and than calibrated to inflate to the total population.
Labour market information	
Eligibility	Household members aged 15 and above.
Employment	Information available from three sources: (1) Worked at least 1 hour in the previous week (ILO employed); (2) Self-assessed current labour market status; (3) Calendar of activities available for each month of the previous year (January 2013 to December 2013) and for the first 6 months of the current year (January 2014-June 2014). Information on job characteristics is available for those who define themselves as currently working.
Income	
Reference period	Previous calendar year (2013).
Unit of time	Some monthly amounts, some yearly amounts.
Unit of collection	All amounts coming from administrative registers were at the individual level; some incomes collected in the survey were only available at the household level.
Taxes and contributions	Most income components were taken gross from administrative registers. Some income components were collected in the interview as net amounts (interests, dividends and profit from capital; non-cash employee income; and pension from individual private plans); and some were collected as mixed mode net/gross (income from rental and income received by people under 16 years of age).
Restrictions	-
Additional remarks	
Additional remarks	It is the first dataset in the LIS series with the income information mostly from registers, therefore some differences with previous waves could be observed.

Source: Data provider.