

Original survey information, France 2010

Generic information	
Name of survey	Household Budget Survey / <i>Enquête "Budget de Famille"</i>
Responsible institution	Institut National de la Statistique et des Etudes Economiques (INSEE) - www.insee.fr
Main objective	To measure the size of the main expenditure such as housing, food, health, clothing, transportation, leisure, etc., in the household budget. It is also used to take into account the new products into the consumers price index and to compare the level of living and consumption choices across different types of households.
Structure of data source	Repeated cross-sectional waves (6 waves of 8 weeks each during the collection period).
Frequency	The survey was held for the first time in 1965 and was held yearly until 1972. There has been an interruption in the collection of data between 1972 and 1978. From 1979 onwards the survey was conducted every 5 years.
Survey year / Wave	2010-2011
Coverage	All private households in metropolitan France and overseas territories; are thus excluded collective households (such as hospices, religious communities, university campuses, workers dormitories, prisons, etc.) and persons without a residence.
Sampling	
Sampling procedure	Simple random sampling with replacement with sampling frame: 2009 Census for metropolitan France and stratified random sampling with sample frame cartographic data from 2009 for overseas territories (DOM), except Mayotte.
Sample size	15,797 households, from which 5,455 households from the overseas territories (DOM).
Collection	
Collection period	4th of October 2010 - 1st of October 2011 (except for Mayotte where it started on 29 Novembre 2010 and it ended on 16th of December 2011).
Collection mode	CAPI interviews (in 2 visits) + self-administrated diaries by the household members 15 years and over.
Description of instruments	(1) Questionnaire N. 1: information about household composition and characteristics of household members (collected for persons aged 15 or over), expenditures on durables and furniture, clothing and footwear, expenditures linked to services, meals taken outside the home, education, leisure, a culture, health; transfers and gifts paid to or given by the household, domestic activities of the household members. (2) Questionnaire N. 2: expenditures on main and secondary residences, expenditures linked to other properties, transportation expenses, purchase and sell of valuables, miscellaneous expenditures (insurances, debts, income taxes, banking fees, employers contributions, expenditures due to persons partially living outside the dwelling, exceptional expenditures, television fees), incomes (including income from savings, and exceptional incomes), selfconsumption as well as some questions concerning the household perceived financial situation; (3) Individual diary: expenditures carried out during a 7-days period as reported by each household member aged 15 or above.
Definitions	
Household	Groups of persons (related or not) who share a common budget (i.e. who have incomes serving common household expenditures, and/or who simply benefit from those expenditures). Within the same dwelling can coexist more households if they have separate budgets.
Household head	The household head is considered the reference person of the household as determined by the data provider based on higher income earned (if equal income in this priority order: first active, then retired, then other inactives).
Data quality aspects	
Non-response error	31,3%
Item non-response / imputation	Partial-unit non-response as well as item non-response have been fully imputed using hot-deck imputation methods and regression methods.
Weighting	The data provider calculated household level weights based on the sampling probabilities, recalibrated for unit non-response.
Labour market information	
Eligibility	From 15 years for currently working or looking for a job; from 14 years for current labour market status.
Employment	Two concepts of employment: i) self-defined main activity status, and ii) whether currently is working or is currently looking for a job. Reference period: interview time.
Income	
Reference period	12 months preceding the interview.
Unit of time	Mostly monthly income with the number of months for which the respective income is received; some incomes collected yearly.
Unit of collection	Mostly individual; some incomes are collected only at the household level.
Taxes and contributions	The French Household Budget Survey is a net survey (money amounts are asked net); but because in France income tax is not withheld at source but paid by annual tax return, all the amounts are net of mandatory contributions but gross of income tax.
Restrictions	-
Additional remarks	
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Sources: Data provider: www.insee.fr