

Original survey information, Hungary 2009

Generic information	
Name of survey	Tárki Household Monitor Survey / <i>Tárki Háztartás Monitor</i>
Responsible institution	Tárki Social Research Institute, www.tarki.hu
Main objective	The assessment of the changes in the stratification of society and in social inequalities. The survey is primarily focussed on issues concerning the labour market and incomes, consumer attitudes, savings, economic expectations and economic behaviour, as well as changing social relations are also included among the subjects of the survey.
Structure of data source	Cross-sectional household survey data.
Frequency	Every two years.
Survey year / Wave	2009 survey.
Coverage	The sample is representative of the overall adult Hungarian population.
Sampling	
Sampling procedure	Multi-stage stratified probability sample. The sample was a household probability sample with proportional stratification. In the first stage 9 strata were created according to the sizes of the localities, from these strata the localities were selected that would be in the sample. In the second stage the number of households to be included in the sample strata was defined according to the proportion of the households in the given strata. Then the number of households to be included in the sample from each locality was defined according to the proportion of the households in the chosen localities. The dropped out addresses were replaced by so-called „extra addresses”. Sampling frame: Central Registration and Election Office.
Sample size	2,048 households containing 4,854 individuals (of which 3,664 adult individuals who completed the interview, 530 adult individuals who did not complete the interview, and 660 children under 16 years old).
Collection	
Collection period	February 1, 2010 - March 16, 2010
Collection mode	Data were collected using paper-based questionnaires.
Description of instruments	There are 2 questionnaires: - Household questionnaire: contains information on all household members (main demographics plus activity status), information on the dwelling, and household financial situation, including expenditures, debts, insurance, accounts, wealth, durables, income from rents, prizes, maintenance alimony, presents, and maintenance and presents paid, consumption, own production. - Individual questionnaire: contains information for individuals aged 16 or over on education, health, employment/unemployment, income, pension schemes, insurance, accounts, values and satisfaction indicators, hobbies and sports.
Definitions	
Household	The community of people living together in one house or flat.
Household head	The head of household was selected according to the following criteria: - the oldest man of working age in the household; - if no such member of family: the oldest woman of working age; - if no member of family of working age: the oldest man on old-age pension; - if no such member of family: the oldest woman on old-age pension. LIS keeps the original definition of the household head.
Data quality aspects	
Non-response error	58.5% of the selected households were not interviewed. 12.6% of the adults included in the interviewed households did not complete the questionnaire.
Item non-response / imputation	Imputation of zero and missing values of total personal current income for employed, self-employed and pensioners. Imputed values based on collected data.
Weighting	There are two individual weights. First individual weight ensures that both the distribution of households and of total individuals (including all household members, therefore children as well) in the sample represent the Hungarian households and population according to the 2005 Microcensus. Second individual weight refers to the sample of adults who completed the individual questionnaire.
Labour market information	
Eligibility	Household members aged 16 or above.
Employment	Individual questionnaire: has a job (or is on child-care leave from a job to which can return to), or did any work in the last 7 days. Household questionnaire (individual level information provided by the household head): two concepts: i) main activity is working, and ii) is working on family farm/business.
Income	
Reference period	Last 12 months prior to the interview.
Unit of time	Monthly income together with number of months received during reference year for most income source; yearly for some more irregular income sources (such as business profit and income from business activities, market income from agricultural production, investment, property rental, interhousehold transfers, lottery winnings at the household level, and casual work, bonuses, severance pay, in-kind and fringe benefits, income from other than first job at the individual level).
Unit of collection	Most income is collected at the individual level for those 16 years of age and older. The self-employment, rental and investment income, child-related benefits, assistance payments from government, interhousehold transfers as well as the irregular lump-sums (prizes and premiums) are collected on household level.
Taxes and contributions	Incomes are reported net of taxes and social contributions.
Restrictions	-
Additional remarks	
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Source: Data provider.