

Original survey information, Hungary 1999

Generic information	
Name of survey	Tárki Household Monitor Survey / <i>Tárki Háztartás Monitor</i>
Responsible institution	Tárki Social Research Centre, 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	2000 survey.
Coverage	The sample is representative of the overall adult Hungarian population.
Sampling	
Sampling procedure	Two-stage sampling with localities selected within each of 9 strata, and households within each selected locality. Sampling frame: Central Registration and Election Office.
Sample size	2,013 households containing 5,517 individuals.
Collection	
Collection period	April 19, 2000 - May 23, 2000
Collection mode	Data were collected using paper-based questionnaires.
Description of instruments	There are 3 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. - Substitution questionnaire: proxy questionnaire for adult members who do not want / cannot answer themselves; information recorded concerns only education, activity status, current (last) occupation and total income.
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.
Data quality aspects	
Non-response error	-
Item non-response / imputation	Imputation has been carried out for missing incomes and performed on the bases of the collected data, always on the individual level, and only for summary income variables. The imputation process consists of the following: (1) Zero and missing total personal incomes were imputed for employed, self-employed and pensioners. The imputation method consisted in equalising total personal income for March 2000 to the weighted mean of total personal incomes (for March 2000) for sub-groups of population according to 3 categories of educational level, 3 age groups and to whether they live in Budapest or not. A flag for imputed cases was created; (2) In case of missing income from main job for top and middle managers, total personal current income was multiplied respectively by 2.2 (top) and 1.5 (middle managers); (3) Total yearly personal income was imputed as being 12 times the current one (eventually imputed) corrected for inflation.
Weighting	Person and household weights. Both variables adjust demographic and geographic characteristics of the sample to the population structure of the Hungarian 1996 Microcensus.
Labour market information	
Eligibility	Household members aged 16 or above.
Employment	-
Income	
Reference period	April 1999 to March 2000 (one year)
Unit of time	Monthly income together with number of months received during reference year for most individual income source; yearly for household income sources and some individual more irregular ones (casual work, bonuses, profits, shares, etc.).
Unit of collection	Most income is collected at the individual level for those 16 years of age and older, except income from household production (raising animals or agriculture), rental income, maintenance and support payments from other households and irregular lump-sums (prizes and premiums).
Taxes and contributions	Incomes are reported net of taxes and social contributions.
Restrictions	-
Additional remarks	
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Source: Data provider.