

Mexico 2004: original survey information

Generic information	
Name of survey	Household Income and Expenditure Survey (<i>Encuesta Nacional de Ingresos y Gastos de los Hogares - ENIGH</i>)
Institution responsible	National Statistical Institute (<i>Instituto Nacional de Estadística, Geografía e Informática - INEGI</i>)
Main objective	To obtain information on the distribution, amount and structure of incomes and expenditures for the household with the final aim of evaluating the developments in the standards of living of the population
Survey structure	Cross-sectional
Frequency	Every other (even) year
Survey year / Wave	2004
Coverage	All national or foreign households living in private dwellings in the national territory. Households living in collective dwellings are not included in the sample.
Sampling	
Sampling design	Stratified multi-phase sample with the dwelling as primary sampling unit: first, basic geostatistical areas (AGEB), stratified according to 5 geographic and socio-economic criteria, are selected, then, for urban areas only, blocks of dwellings, and finally dwellings from each area (rural areas) or block (urban areas).
Sampling frame	INEGI sampling frame for multiple purposes, constituted by demographic and cartographic information obtained from the 2000 National Census (<i>Censo de Población y Vivienda</i>).
Final sample size	22,595 households including 91,738 individuals, of which 91,450 household members (the rest being domestic servants or guests).
Collection	
Collection period	Between 10th of August 2004 and 24th of November 2004, split in 9 decades, during each of which the information is collected for 7 consecutive days.
Instruments and main contents	Direct interview with two main instruments: - the <i>Basic Questionnaire</i> : dwelling characteristics, household residents and identification, socio-demographic characteristics of adult household members (aged 12 or above), as well as their activity status, occupational characteristics, revenues and expenditures; - the <i>daily expenditures diary</i> : daily expenditures on food, beverages, tobacco and transportation.
Definitions	
Household	A group of persons (not necessarily related by blood) who reside usually in the same private dwelling and share the meals. Domestic servants and guests who usually reside and share meals in the dwelling are considered as usual residents of the dwelling, but not as household members (they are part of the sample, but little information is collected for them). Two households can share the same dwelling in which case the one including the owner of the dwelling (or the person in the name of which the dwelling is rented or made available) is the principal household.
Household head	Person (man or a woman) recognised as such by the household members.
Data quality aspects	
Unit response rate	90% of the sampled households were successfully interviewed.
Item non-response / imputation	Item non-response is reduced at the maximum by going back to the field during the editing process (via telephone); after that, item non-response for 2004 amounted at 11.68%
Weighting	The weighting factor corrects for both sampling bias and non-response bias; it also inflates to total population.
Labour market information	
Source	Interview
Reference period	Month preceding the interview
Definition of employment	Employment is defined as "any economic activity carried out against pay (in cash or in kind), including those activities that contribute to the obtention of incomes or to the production in the households".
Treatment of military personnel	Regular Armed Forces are included, treated as employed persons and identifiable though the occupational code.
Income	
Source	Interview
Reference period	Last 6 months for most income sources
Unit of collection	All incomes are collected at the level of income source (for each individual, each income payment received is collected).
Unit of time	Each income was collected on a monthly basis, for each of the previous 6 months.
Restrictions	None known
Gross/net	All incomes are asked net of taxes and social contributions (or any other deduction such as union fees).