

Original survey information, India 2004

Generic information	
Name of survey	India Human Development Survey (IHDS)
Responsible institution	Data producers: University of Maryland, College Park, USA (UMD), http://ihds.umd.edu/ and National Council of Applied Economic Research, New Delhi (NCAER), http://www.ncaer.org/ Data provider: ICPSR http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/icpsrweb/DSDR/studies/22626
Main objective	To collect information on a range of topics pertaining to the economic and social conditions at the household and individual level.
Structure of data source	Cross-sectional survey
Frequency	Human Development Profile India (HDPI) in 1993–94, India Human Development Survey (IHDS-I) in 2004–05 and India Human Development Survey (IHDS-II) in 2011–12.
Survey year / Wave	IHDS - I, 2004–05
Coverage	Persons living in private households, non-institutionalized population. Out of the 35 Indian states, 33 states were covered in the survey. Only the 2 remote island states of Andaman & Nicobar and Lakshadweep were not covered by the survey.
Sampling	
Sampling procedure	Multi-phase random stratified sampling. Primary sampling unit (PSU) is the village or urban centres. Part of the rural sample is linked to the earlier Human Development Profile of India (1993-94) survey.
Sample size	41,554 households
Collection	
Collection period	November 2004–September 2005
Collection mode	Interview
Description of instruments	Direct interview to the household member most knowledgeable about household matters, through: (1) Household questionnaire: demographic characteristics of the household members, sources of income and information on the household members linked to them in case of labour and public incomes, expenditure patterns, and other information pertaining to the household. (2) Education, Health and Learning Tests Questionnaire: education of children, marriage practices, dwelling characteristics, health (morbidity, physical limitations, care); a second part of the questionnaire is only answered by ever married women aged 15 to 49 and asks about marital history, fertility preferences, pre-natal and ante-natal care. Additionally, there are three sets of questionnaires that collect information about the village, the school and primary health center in the village.
Definitions	
Household	A group of persons who share the same kitchen for 6+ months. Migrants who are otherwise family members (such as husbands or sons) but have been away for 6+ (and hence, not sharing the kitchen for more than 6+ months) are not considered as household members.
Household head	Person (man or woman) recognized as such by the respondent.
Data quality aspects	
Non-response error	-
Item non-response / imputation	Item non-response has not been imputed.
Weighting	Design weights ensure nationally representative estimates.
Labour market information	
Eligibility	Everyone is eligible for the labour market section. <i>Note</i> : LIS sets a minimum eligibility age at 5 years old for the labour market section.
Employment	Participation of all household members in the previous 12 months in different labour activities is recorded: farming activities and animals care, as well as up to 3 family businesses. Only information about the main dependent job held in the last 12 months is available. <i>Note</i> : LIS did not include those who only take care of animals at home included in the construction of the main activity status in the previous year (which is based on number of hours and days worked) because we do not have the number of hours spent in this activity, however they are flagged in hprod_c. LIS considers self-employed in family business the person who spend more time working there in the previous 12 months, and the rest of family members participating in the business as contributing family workers.
Income	
Reference period	Last 12 months preceding the interview.
Unit of time	Annual amounts received in the last 12 months.
Unit of collection	Wage and salary income is collected at the individual level, while all other income are collected at the household level. For income from farm, animal-care and non-farm business activities, a link to the household member(s) involved in the activity is also available. Similarly, household level public income amounts are linked to the individual(s) receiving it.
Taxes and contributions	No specific instruction in the questionnaire, but most likely reported amounts are net of taxes and contributions. Note though that income tax liability is very small.
Restrictions	-
Additional remarks	
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Source: [1] Desai, S., Dubey, A., Joshi, B.L., Sen, M., Abusaleh, S. & Vanneman, R. (2007), *India Human Development Survey Release 01*, University of Maryland and National Council of Applied Economic Research, New Delhi [producers]; Ann Arbor, MI: Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research [distributor].