

Planned future developments of EU-SILC

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SILC revision and strands

- EU-SILC revision is part of the modernisation of social statistics
- It is prepared with a dedicated Task Force incl. participants from 15 NSIs and representatives of users; it reports to the EU-SILC Working Group and the Directors of Social Statistics

5 strands, in an integrated approach looking at a coherent and complementary design:

- SILC **contents**
- Improvement of **timeliness** (already on-going)
- Improvement of the methodology (including **regionalisation** and **precision requirements**)
- Different **modes of data collection** (administrative data, CAPI, CATI, CAWI)
- **Longitudinal component**

SILC Contents (tentative order)

Nucleus (EU2020, main indicators)	Every 3-year modules Max. 20 var. each	Every 6-year modules Max. 20 var. each
Income (revised) Material Deprivation Economic activity Demography Education Child care Housing costs Health Quality of Life 1st wave	Children	Quality of life, social & cultural participation
	Health	New policy needs 1
	Labour & housing conditions	Over-indebtedness, wealth, consumption
	Children	New policy needs 2
	Health	Access to services, social transfers in kind
	Labour & housing conditions	Intergenerational & Homelessness?/New policy 3

Improvement of timeliness – Action plan

- Improve by 6 months the data availability of the whole EU-SILC (June N+1)
- To transmit just after the field work (end year N / beginning N+1) non-income data (interview in all countries) in particular on material deprivation
- To use existing micro-simulation models, in particular EUROMOD, for flash estimates
- Information on income distribution evolution 6 months after the reference period (current income - LFS)

Improvement of timeliness

Severe material deprivation –
Early data

2013 data published **06/2014**,
16 MS

2014 data to be published by
end 03/2015
more MS

	2011	2012	2013
EU-28	8.9	9.9	:
Euro area	6.8	7.7	:
Bulgaria	43.6	44.1	45.9p
Latvia	31.0	25.6	24.0
Romania	29.4	29.9	28.7p
Hungary	23.1	25.7	26.8
Lithuania	19.0	19.8	16.0p
Greece	15.2	19.5	:
Croatia	14.8	15.4	:
Poland	13.0	13.5	11.9p
Cyprus	11.7	15.0	16.1p
Italy	11.2	14.5	12.5p
Slovakia	10.6	10.5	:
Estonia	8.7	9.4	7.6p
Portugal	8.3	8.6	10.9p
Ireland	7.8	9.8	:
Malta	6.6	9.2	9.5p
Czech Republic	6.1	6.6	6.6
Slovenia	6.1	6.6	:
Belgium	5.7	6.5	:
Germany	5.3	4.9	:
France	5.2	5.3	5.0p
United Kingdom	5.1	7.8b	:
Spain	4.5	5.8	6.2
Austria	3.9	4.0	4.2p
Finland	3.2	2.9	2.5
Denmark	2.6	2.8	:
Netherlands	2.5	2.3	:
Sweden	1.2	1.3	:
Luxembourg	1.2	1.3	:
Norway	2.3	1.7	1.9
Iceland	2.1	2.4	1.9
Switzerland	1.0	0.8	:

'p' = provisional ; 'e' = estimated; 'b'=break in time
series; ':'= not available

Improvement of timeliness

- **10/10/2014** – 27 MS (and IS, NO, CH) submitted full SILC 2014 data:
 - ✓ Data published for 24 of them
 - ✓ EU28 aggregates published (estimates)

	2012	2013	
AROPE	24.8	24.5	e
AROP	16.9	16.7	e
SMD	9.9	9.6	e
LWI	10.5	10.7	e

Precision requirements (total and regional)

- Recommendations of the ESS (but equivalent to the minimum effective sample size):

$$se < \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{X}}$$

se = standard error; p = proportion (value of the indicator); X is a figure stemming from the desired precision

- On the AROPE indicator (cross-sectional) → confidence interval ranging from around 1 pp for larger countries to 1.5 pp for smallest ones
- Need for a regional level : the desired requirements would be to have a confidence interval for the AROPE indicator at $\pm 2-2.5$ pp

Longitudinal component

- Policy needs:
 - ✓ Strengthen indicators on year-to-year transition
 - ✓ Improving the measurement of persistent-AROP
 - ✓ Identify/Monitor the recurrence of poverty
- Technical solutions:
 - ✓ Increase the sample-size keeping a 4 years rotational design; permanent cost not acceptable (although some increase for regionalisation); 3rd need not answered
 - ✓ Increase the number of years of the rotational design, to 6 years (or 8 years but drawbacks even more acute)

Longitudinal component

year:	y		y+2		y+4		y+6		y+8		y+10	
Panel												
P	1008	907										
p+1	1260	1008	907									
p+2	1800	1260	1008	907	489	440						
p+3		1800	1260	1008	907	489	440					
p+4			1800	1260	1008	907	489	440				
p+5				1800	1260	1008	907	489	440			
p+6					1374	962	770	693	624	562		
p+7					█	1374	962	770	693	624	562	
p+8					█	█	1374	962	770	693	624	
p+9					█	█	█	1374	962	770	693	
p+10					█	█	█	█	1374	962	770	
p+11										1374	962	
p+12											1374	
Total annual sample		4975	4975	4975	5038	5180	4942	4728	4863	4985	4985	
Of which for the Permanent AROP		907	907	907	1396	1836	1836	1622	1757	1879	1879	

Best practices - Workshops

- Longitudinal, timeliness, regionalisation, mode of data collection, methodology
- Lisbon Workshop 15/10/2014
- 2 others planned in 2015 (UK, FR)

Time schedule

- 2014-2015 Tests in MS, end TF work
- End 2015: elements for legal basis ready
- Further workshops, preparation of guidelines, capacity building
- Implementation in the context of the forthcoming framework Regulation on Integrated European Social Statistics