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 - All cells shaded in orange indicate country-specific information, standard values generated by ERF or values of a scale variable
 - All variables' names are in upper cases in the data dictionary and the SPSS format data files, and in lower cases in the STATA format data files
 - Under column "Key":
 -A: indicates a variable that is available in/can be generated from the survey dataset
 -/: indicates a variable that is not available in/cannot be generated from the survey dataset

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| | | | | | | Survey Values and Value Labels | Universe | Key | Var(s) used from the survey | Country specific comments |
| FILE LEVEL: ALL | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL OBSERVATIONS (HOUSEHOLDS/INDIVIDUALS) The variables in this section exist in both the household and the individual data files. | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: FILE IDENTIFICATION AND INFORMATION | | | | | | | | | | |
| COUNTRY | Country | A numeric variable representing the country and coded per the UN's Dec. 2012, country classification. | This variable exists in both the household and the individual files and is necessary when concatenating different data files. | Numeric discrete variable | | | All HHS/ All INDS | A | - | Generated by ERF |
| YEAR | Survey year | Year during which the survey was performed. | This variable exists in both the household and the individual files and is necessary when concatenating cross-sectional data. In the case of panel data, the Panel Identifier should be used to merge the datasets across years. | Ordered discrete variable | | | All HHS/ All INDS | A | - | Generated by ERF |
| ROUND | Survey round | This variable indicates the round during which the household was observed. | The data collection of the LFSs might be conducted over several rounds during the survey year. This variable will be then generated in the datasets for which the collection was done over at least 2 rounds to indicate the round number during which each household was observed. In the case of panel data, the same household ID may have different round numbers indicating different observations of the same household during the survey year. | Ordered discrete variable | | | All HHS/ All INDS | A | - | Generated by ERF |
| DTYPE | Data type | This variable should indicate whether the survey data is cross-sectional or panel. | The value of this variable should be constant for the same dataset, indicating one type of data (cross-sectional or panel). This variable might be useful when combining datasets to identify different types of data before using them for analysis. | Categorical variable | 1 Cross-sectional 2 Panel | | All HHS/ All INDS | A | - | Generated by ERF taking the code 2 since the data is panel. A check on paneled households and individuals was conducted. Some inconsistencies were detected across rounds in paneled observations. Only some cases could be corrected, particularly in time-invariant characteristics, however the most appropriate method to deal with the rest was left to the user's judgement. |
| DREP | Household repetition over rounds | For the panel as well as the fresh sample, this variable should indicate the round(s) over which a certain household was interviewed. | This variable is generated only in the case of panel data. In case of cross-sectional data, this variable should typically be similar to the "ROUND" variable. | Harmonized Categorical variable | 1 First round only 2 Second round only 3 Third round only 4 Fourth round only 12 First and second rounds 13 First and third rounds 14 First and fourth rounds 23 Second and third rounds 24 Second and fourth rounds 34 Third and fourth rounds | | All HHS/ All INDS | A | - | Generated by ERF |
| CASESER | Unique household identifier | Sequential anonymous household identifier, usually provided in the dataset. | This variable exists both in the household and the individual files and is necessary when merging the two files. When combining different countries or years, it is necessary to use the CASESER variable in combination with the COUNTRY, YEAR and ROUND variables in order to uniquely identify the households. When merging household and individual level files from the same dataset, this variable can be used to link each individual to the right household. | Ordered discrete variable | | | All HHS/ All INDS | A | idsam | |
| HPNLID | Household panel identifier | This variable should indicate the identifiers of paneled households only, either those observed across different rounds during the survey year or across two successive years, depending on the sampling design. | This identifier should be available for the paneled households only, and is unique within EACH round. It should be used to merge the panel data of households observed over several rounds. In some datasets, for the paneled households only, this variable might be similar to CASESER. | Ordered discrete variable | | | Paneled HHS/ Paneled INDS | A | hhid | Provided for paneled households and individuals only |

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| HWEIGHT | Household weight | Data provider household weight. | The household weight can correct just for sample bias, or also for non-sampling errors (such as response bias and adjustment to population distribution). In many cases, the weight is a population weight, which means that the weight will inflate the result to reflect the total population. We strongly recommend that all statistical analysis be performed using the data weights. | Continuous variable | | | All HHs/ All INds | A | h_weight | |

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| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: AT THE TIME OF THE INTERVIEW | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: GEOGRAPHICAL CHARACTERISTICS | | | | | | | | | | |
| REG | Region | Region of residence. | To generate the Region and Area of residence, the original variables will be recoded to include the country UN standardized 3 digits code (already used in COUNTRY) in addition to the REG or AREA code, standardized on 3 digits as well. This is to avoid possible mismatches between these two variables' codes across different countries when the datasets are merged. | Categorical variable | CNT+COD Country (UN 3 digits) + Region codes (3 digits code) | | All HHs/ All INDS | A | wbgs | |
| AREA | Area | Second geographical variable identifying another aspect of the location of the unit not described in REG such as city or village. | | Categorical variable | CNT+COD Country (UN 3 digits) + Area codes (3 digits code) | | All HHs/ All INDS | A | id6 | |
| PSUNUM | Primary Sampling Unit identifier | Anonymous Primary Sampling Unit identifier provided in the dataset. | | Ordered discrete variable | | | All HHs/ All INDS | / | | |
| RURURB | Urban/Rural residence | Indicates whether the region is urban/rural. | In case the country has refugee camps (as in Palestine), the "refugee camp" category is coded "2". | Harmonized categorical/dummy variable | 0 Rural 1 Urban 2 Refugee camps | 2 Rural 1 Urban 3 Camp | All HHs/ All INDS | A | id7 | |

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| HOUSEHOLD-LEVEL VARIABLES | | | | | | | | | | |
| FILE LEVEL: HOUSEHOLD | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL HOUSEHOLDS | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: AT THE TIME OF THE INTERVIEW | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION | | | | | | | | | | |
| TPNUM | Total number of household members | | The variables should count all household members (males/females), including those reported as head's non-relative (including domestic workers). These variables should be constructed by aggregating the data provided on the individual-level. In general, summation over all individuals in the household. TPNUM = FEMNUM + MALNUM | Ordered discrete variable | | | All HHs | A | | Generated by ERF |
| MALNUM | Total number of males in the household | | | | All HHs | A | sex | Generated by ERF | | |
| FEMNUM | Total number of females in the household | | | | All HHs | A | sex | Generated by ERF | | |
| FILE LEVEL: HOUSEHOLD | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL HOUSEHOLDS | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: AT THE TIME OF THE INTERVIEW | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: LFS CLASSIFICATION OF HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS | | | | | | | | | | |
| MALUNEMP_PW | Number of unemployed 15+ males who have previously worked | | These variables should be generated for household members who are in the working age population (aged 15 years or older). In the case where no identification can be done between those who have previously worked and those who have never worked before, the household members who are unemployed but reported a previous work experience are identified as "unemployed who have previously worked," and those with no work experience are identified as "never worked before." These variables should be constructed by aggregating the data provided on the individual-level. In general, summation over all unemployed individuals in the household aged 15+ (worked previously and never worked before). HUNEMP_PW=FEMUNEMP_PW+MALUNEMP_PW HUNEMP_NW=FEMUNEMP_NW+MALUNEMP_NW | Ordered discrete variable | | | All HHs | A | | Generated by ERF |
| MALUNEMP_NW | Number of unemployed 15+ males who have never worked | | | | All HHs | A | | Generated by ERF | | |
| FEMUNEMP_PW | Number of unemployed 15+ females who have previously worked | | | | All HHs | A | sex age pw01 pw02 pw03 pw04 pw19 pw20 pw21 | Generated by ERF | | |
| FEMUNEMP_NW | Number of unemployed 15+ females who have never worked | | | | All HHs | A | | Generated by ERF | | |
| HUNEMP_PW | Number of 15+ unemployed household members who have previously worked | | | | All HHs | A | | Generated by ERF | | |
| HUNEMP_NW | Number of 15+ unemployed household members who have never worked | | | | All HHs | A | | Generated by ERF | | |
| MALINLF | Number of 15+ males in the labor force | | These variables should be generated for household members who are in the working age population (aged 15 years or older), and reported to be either employed or unemployed and seeking a job (active) during the short reference period. These variables should be constructed by aggregating the data provided on the individual-level. In general, summation over all individuals 15+ in the labor force in the household. HINLF = FEMINLF + MALINLF | Ordered discrete variable | | | All HHs | A | sex age pw01 pw02 pw03 pw04 pw19 pw20 pw21 | Generated by ERF |
| FEMINLF | Number of 15+ females in the labor force | | | | All HHs | A | | Generated by ERF | | |
| HINLF | Number of 15+ household members in the labor force | | | | All HHs | A | | Generated by ERF | | |
| MALOUTLF | Number of 15+ males out of labor force | | These variables should be generated for household members who are in the working age population (aged 15 years or older) and inactive with respect to their relation to the labor force during the short reference period (unemployed and able to work but neither want nor seeking work, student, housewife, homemaker, retired, disabled, old age, etc.). These variables should be constructed by aggregating the data provided on the individual-level. In general, summation over all individuals 15+ and out of labor force in the household. HOUTLF = FEMOUTLF + MALOUTLF | Ordered discrete variable | | | All HHs | A | sex age pw01 pw02 pw03 pw04 pw19 pw20 pw21 | Generated by ERF |
| FEMOUTLF | Number of 15+ females out of labor force | | | | All HHs | A | | Generated by ERF | | |
| HOUTLF | Number of 15+ household members out of labor force | | | | All HHs | A | | Generated by ERF | | |

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| FILE LEVEL: HOUSEHOLD | | | | | | Information on Heads and Spouses are constructed from the individual-level files. | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL HOUSEHOLDS | | | | | | For more information about a specific variable, refer to the individual-level variable. | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: AT THE TIME OF THE INTERVIEW | | | | | | All heads and spouses for whom a "not stated" status is reported in any of the variables are those within the variable universe but whose information was not provided in the original data. | | | | |
| CATEGORY: HEAD'S AND SPOUSE'S CHARACTERISTICS | | | | | | Some inconsistencies were detected across rounds in paneled observations. Only some cases could be corrected, particularly in time-invariant characteristics, however the most appropriate method to deal with the rest was left to the user's judgement. | | | | |
| AGEHD | Age of the head | Age in completed years. | See AGE When the original dataset has only age categories, age is calculated as the midpoint of the range provided. | Ordered discrete variable | | | All Heads | A | age hr4 | |
| AGESP | Age of the spouse | | If the head has multiple spouses, a variable for each spouse will be generated, and named AGESP_# where # is the spouse number. | | | | All Spouses | | | |
| SEXHD | Gender of the head | Gender. | See SEX | Harmonized categorical variable | | Structured the same as SEX | All Heads | A | sex hr4 | |
| SEXSP | Gender of the spouse | | If the head is male and has multiple spouses, a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named SEXSP_# where # is the spouse number. For all spouses except the first spouse, the gender will be always 2 (female). | | | | All Spouses | | | |
| MARTHD | Marital status of the head [Standardized version] | Legal administrative status concerning marriage. | This variable should not be imputed for household members for whom the information was not collected (i.e. it can only be generated for those to whom the question was asked since the youngest age at which the information is collected may differ depending on the survey). Married only refers to formal marriages (including legally married). Polygamous unions include males with multiple spouses. The number of spouses in the household can be used to indicate polygamy. | Harmonized Categorical variable | | Structured the same as MART | Heads aged 12+ | A | maritals hr4 | In the raw data, an aggregated "other" category is provided to indicate the divorced, separated or widowed. To split the original category, those younger than 60 years of age were assumed to be divorced/separated, while those aged 60 years or older were assumed to be widowed. |
| MARTHD_D | Marital status of the head [Detailed version] | | | | | | | | | |
| NATHD | Ethnicity/nationality of the head [Standardized version] | Ethnicity or nationality. | See ETHNAT | Categorical variable | | Structured the same as ETHNAT | All Heads | / | | |
| NATSP | Ethnicity/nationality of the spouse [Standardized version] | | In the case that the head has multiple spouses, a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named NATSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | | | All Spouses | | | |
| NATHD_D | Ethnicity/nationality of the head [Detailed version] | Ethnicity or nationality (detailed version of coding). | See ETHNAT_D | Harmonized Categorical variable | | Structured the same as ETHNAT_D | All Heads | / | | |
| NATSP_D | Ethnicity/nationality of the spouse [Detailed version] | | In the case that the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named NATSP_#_D where # is the spouse number. | | | | All Spouses | | | |
| IMMIGRHD | Immigration status of the head | Ideally indicates whether an individual is born in the country or has an immigrant background, and, if possible, how recently he/she arrived. Other migration status information may be included if available. | See IMMIGR | Harmonized categorical variable | | Structured the same as IMMIGR | All Heads | / | | |
| IMMIGRSP | Immigration status of the spouse | | In the case that the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named IMMIGRSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | | | All Spouses | | | |
| BIRHD | Is the head born in his residence place | This variable indicates whether the individual is born in his/her current place of residence. | See BIR | Dummy variable | | Structured the same as BIR | All Heads | / | | |
| BIRSP | Is the spouse born in her residence place | | In the case that the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named BIRSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | | | All Spouses | | | |

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| BIRPLHD | Place of birth of the head | This variable includes the country or the region/governorate where the individual was born. | See BIRPL Very few surveys contain this information | Categorical variable | 001-894 Standardized UN country codes (for immigrants) CNT+COD Country (UN 3 digits)+Birth place codes (for migrants and residents) | Structured the same as BIRPL | All Heads | / | | |
| BIRPLSP | Place of birth of the spouse | | In the case that the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named BIRPLSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | | | All Spouses | | | |
| LITHD | Literacy status of the head | This variable indicates whether the person is literate (can read and write) or not. | See LIT | Dummy variable | 0 No | Structured the same as LIT | Heads aged 10+ | A | edu_qual hr4 | |
| LITSP | Literacy status of the spouse | | In the case that the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named LITSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | 1 Can read & write | | Spouses aged 10+ | | | |
| EDUHD | Educational level of the head [Standardized version] | Highest level of education attained. | See EDUC | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 None | Structured the same as EDUC | Heads aged 10+ | A | edu_qual hr4 | |
| EDUSP | Educational level of the spouse [Standardized version] | | In the case that the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named EDUSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | 2 Primary/Lower secondary | | Spouses aged 10+ | | | |
| EDUHD_D | Educational level of the head [Detailed version] | Highest level of education attained (detailed version of coding). | See EDUC_D | Harmonized categorical variable | 3 Secondary | Structured the same as EDUC_D | Heads aged 10+ | A | edu_qual hr4 | |
| EDUSP_D | Educational level of the spouse [Detailed version] | | In the case that the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named EDUSP_#_D where # is the spouse number. | | 4 Post secondary or equivalent | | Spouses aged 10+ | | | |
| MASHD | Main activity status of the head [Standardized version] | Main activity status during the survey period. | See MAS | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Employed | Structured the same as MAS | Heads aged 10+ | A | pw01 pw02 pw03 pw04 pw18 pw19 pw20 pw21 pw22 hr4 | |
| MASSP | Main activity status of the spouse [Standardized version] | | In the case that the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named MASSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | 2 Unemployed | | Spouses aged 10+ | | | |
| MASHD_D | Main activity status of the head [Detailed version] | Main activity status during the survey period (detailed version of coding). | See MAS_D | Harmonized categorical variable | 3 Homemaker (Housewife) | Structured the same as MAS_D | Heads aged 10+ | A | pw01 pw02 pw03 pw04 pw18 pw19 pw20 pw21 pw22 hr4 | For those employed but temporary unpaid (MAS_D=131, 132), all main job characteristics were recoded "not stated" since they did not effectively start working. |
| MASSP_D | Main activity status of the spouse [Detailed version] | | In the case that the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named MASSP_#_D where # is the spouse number. | | 4 Student | | Spouses aged 10+ | | | |
| EMPSHD | Status of employment of the head [Standardized version] | Detailed description of the employment status. | See EMPS | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Employee | Structured the same as EMPS | Employed Heads aged 10+ | A | pw40 hr4 | For those employed but temporary unpaid (MAS_D=131, 132), all main job characteristics were recoded "not stated" since they did not effectively start working. |
| EMPSSP | Status of employment of the spouse [Standardized version] | | In the case that the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named EMPSSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | 2 Employer | | Employed Spouses aged 10+ | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Own account, self-employed | | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Contributing (unpaid) family workers | | | | | |
| | | | | | 5 Member of producers cooperatives | | | | | |
| | | | | | 6 Workers not classifiable by status (other) | | | | | |
| | | | | | 99 Not stated | | | | | |

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| OCCHD | Occupation classification of the main job of the head [Standardized version] | Standardized occupation classification of the main job. | See OCC | Harmonized categorical variable | 10 Legislators, senior officials and managers 20 Professionals 30 Technicians and associate professionals 40 Clerks 50 Service workers and shop and market sales workers 60 Skilled agricultural and fishery workers 70 Craft and related trades workers 80 Plant and machine operators and assemblers 90 Elementary occupations 100 Armed Forces 998 Other/unspecified 999 Not stated | Structured the same as OCC | Employed Heads aged 10+ | A | pw39 hr4 | For those employed but temporary unpaid (MAS_D=131, 132), all main job characteristics were recoded "not stated" since they did not effectively start working. |
| OCCSP | Occupation classification of the main job of the spouse [Standardized version] | | In the case that the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named OCCSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | Employed Spouses aged 10+ | | | | | |
| OCCHD_ISCO08_2 | Occupation classification of the main job of the head [ISCO 2008-2 digits] | Occupation classification of the main job, following the 2-digits International Standard Classification of Occupations for the year 2008 (ISCO-08). | In the case that the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named OCCSP_#_xxx where # is the spouse number and xxx is the occupation classification. | Harmonized categorical variable | -- ISCO 2008-2 digits coding 9998 Unspecified codes 9999 Not Stated | Structured the same as OCC_ISCO08_2 | Employed Heads aged 10+ | A | pw39 hr4 | |
| OCCSP_ISCO08_2 | Occupation classification of the main job of the spouse [ISCO 2008-2 digits] | | | | | | Employed Spouses aged 10+ | | | |
| INDHD | Economic activity classification of the main job of the head [Standardized version] | Standardized economic activity classification of the main job. | See IND | Harmonized categorical variable | 10 Agriculture, forestry and fishing 20 Mining and quarrying 30 Manufacturing 40 Electricity, gas and water supply 50 Construction 60 Wholesale and retail trade 70 Transportation and storage 80 Accommodation and food service activities 90 Information and communication 100 Financial and insurance activities 110 Real estate, professional and support service activities 120 Public administration and defence 130 Education 140 Human health and social work activities 150 Other activities 998 Unspecified 999 Not stated | Structured the same as IND | Employed Heads aged 10+ | A | pw37 hr4 | For those employed but temporary unpaid (MAS_D=131, 132), all main job characteristics were recoded "not stated" since they did not effectively start working. |
| INDSP | Economic activity classification of the main job of the spouse [Standardized version] | | In the case that the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named INDSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | Employed Spouses aged 10+ | | | | | |
| INDHD_ISIC4_2 | Economic activity classification of the main job of the head [ISIC Rev.4-2 digits] | Economic activity classification of the main job, following the 2-digits International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities, Revision 4 (ISIC Rev.4). | In the case that the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named INDSP_#_xxx where # is the spouse number and xxx is the economic activity classification. | Harmonized categorical variable | -- ISIC-Rev. 4-2 digits coding 9998 Unspecified codes 9999 Not Stated | Structured the same as IND_ISIC4_2 | Employed Heads aged 10+ | A | pw37 hr4 | |
| INDSP_ISIC4_2 | Economic activity classification of the main job of the spouse [ISIC Rev.4-2 digits] | | | | | | Employed Spouses aged 10+ | | | |
| SECTORHD | Sector of employment of the head [Standardized version] | Sector of employment (i.e. private versus public sector workers) in the main job. | See SECTOR | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Government 2 Public sector 3 Private sector 4 Joint/Cooperative 5 Foreign sector 6 Other 99 Not stated | Structured the same as SECTOR | Employed Heads aged 10+ | A | pw50 hr4 | For those employed but temporary unpaid (MAS_D=131, 132), all main job characteristics were recoded "not stated" since they did not effectively start working. |
| SECTORSP | Sector of employment of the spouse [Standardized version] | | In the case that the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named SECTORSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | Employed Spouses aged 10+ | | | | | |
| SECTORHD_D | Sector of employment of the head [Detailed version] | These variables distinguish between different types of public and private sector employment, as well as other types of sectors (foreign, cooperative, etc.). | See SECTOR_D | Harmonized categorical variable | | Structured the same as SECTOR_D | Employed Heads aged 10+ | A | pw50 hr4 | |
| SECTORSP_D | Sector of employment of the spouse [Detailed version] | | In the case that the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named SECTORSP_#_D where # is the spouse number. | | | | Employed Spouses aged 10+ | | | |

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| EMPSTABHD | Employment stability in the main job of the head | These variables indicate whether the employed individual is engaged in a regular or an irregular job. | See EMPSTAB | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Full time/Regular | Structured the same as EMPSTAB | Employed Heads aged 10+ | A | pw81 hr4 | |
| EMPSTABSP | Employment stability in the main job of the spouse | | In the case that the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named EMPSTABSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | 2 Part time/Temporary | | | | | |
| | | | 3 Seasonal/Irregular | | | | | | | |
| | | | 99 Not stated | | | | | | | |
| TOTWAGHD | Total monthly wage from the regular main job of the head | This variable indicates the total monthly wage the employee received from the main job, including bonuses, benefits, allowances, profits, etc. | See TOTWAG When the original dataset has only wage categories, the total wage is calculated as the midpoint of the range provided. | Continuous variable | | Structured the same as TOTWAG | Waged Workers Heads aged 10+ | A | pw83 dwage hr4 | Only daily wages in shekel are provided. The daily wages were multiplied by the number of paid working days during the month preceding the survey (pw83) to generate monthly wages. |
| TOTWAGSP | Total monthly wage from the regular main job of the spouse | | In the case that the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named TOTWAGSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | | | Waged Workers Spouses aged 10+ | | | |
| IRRGWAGHD | Total daily wages from seasonal/irregular jobs of the head | | See IRRGWAG When the original dataset has only wage categories, the total wage is calculated as the midpoint of the range provided. | Continuous variable | | Structured the same as IRRGWAG | Irregular Waged Workers Heads aged ...+ | / | | |
| IRRGWAGSP | Total daily wages from seasonal/irregular jobs of the spouse | | In the case that the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named IRRGWAGSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | | | Irregular Waged Workers Spouses aged ...+ | | | |
| EMPINCHD | Total monthly income of the head if reported employer | | See EMPINC When the original dataset has only income categories, the total income is calculated as the midpoint of the range provided. | Continuous variable | | Structured the same as EMPINC | Heads reported employers aged ...+ | / | | |
| EMPINCSP | Total monthly income of the spouse if reported employer | | In the case that the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named EMPINCSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | | | Spouses reported employers aged ...+ | | | |
| SEMPINCHD | Total monthly income of the head if reported self-employed | | See SEMPINC When the original dataset has only income categories, the total income is calculated as the midpoint of the range provided. | Continuous variable | | Structured the same as SEMPINC | Self-employed Heads aged ...+ | / | | |
| SEMPINCSP | Total monthly income of the spouse if reported self-employed | | In the case that the head has multiple spouses a variable for each spouse will be generated and will be named SEMPINCSP_# where # is the spouse number. | | | | Self-employed Spouses aged ...+ | | | |

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| | | | | | | Survey Values and Value Labels | Universe | Key | Var(s) used from the survey | Country specific comments |
| FILE LEVEL: HOUSEHOLD | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL HOUSEHOLDS | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: AT THE TIME OF THE INTERVIEW | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: DWELLING CHARACTERISTICS | | | | | | | | | | |
| HHTYPE | Household type | Identifying collective and non-collective households. | Collective households are mostly composed of a number of non-relatives (residents/non-residents) who are of the same gender, living together, and employed and/or students. No head is identified for collective households and the relationship to the head variable will be recoded as missing for all household members. Non-collective households are mostly residents who have the regular structure of a family (head, spouse, etc.). | Dummy variable | 0 Non-collective 1 Collective | | All HHs | / | | |
| DWLTYP | Type of dwelling [Standardized version] | Type of the dwelling. | This variable mainly distinguishes between villas, apartments and others. "House" includes traditional, modern, or Arabic houses etc. "Villa" includes palaces, villas, floor in a villa, or duplex etc. "Others" includes clay/reed house, primitive houses, caravans, etc. | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 House 2 Villa 3 Apartment 4 Others | | All HHs | / | | |
| DWLTYP_D | Type of dwelling [Detailed version] | Type of the dwelling (detailed version of coding). | This variable is the detailed version of the above type of dwelling variable (DWLTYP). It mainly distinguishes between different types of houses, villas, apartments and other residential units. | Harmonized categorical variable | 100 House 110 Countryside house 120 Arabic house 130 Traditional house 140 Modern house 150 Public or part of a public house 160 Small house (part of a villa) 170 House in an agency 180 House built in bricks or rocks or concrete 190 "1" Floor building 200 Villa 210 Villa or floor in a villa 220 Part of a villa 230 Palace 300 Apartment 310 More than one apartment 320 Studio 400 Others 410 One or more separate rooms 420 One or more rooms in a housing unit 430 Tent, hut, shack, slum, grotto, shebra, caravan, Barakia (marginal), ... 440 Clay or reed house 450 Other place not suitable for residence 460 Residence in cemetery area | | All HHs | / | | |
| DWLTEN | Tenure of dwelling [Standardized version] | Type of tenure. | This variable distinguishes between owned or rented living quarters. | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Rented 2 Owned 3 Provided free 4 Others | | All HHs | / | | |
| DWLTEN_D | Tenure of dwelling [Detailed version] | Type of tenure (detailed version of coding). | This variable distinguishes between different types of owned, rented, provided free or other forms of tenure for living quarters. | Harmonized categorical variable | 100 Rented 110 Unfurnished rent 120 Furnished rent 130 Old law rent 140 New law rent 150 Rent with key money 200 Owned 210 Unit owned (privately or jointly) 220 Unit bought 230 In the process of being acquired 240 Mortgage with or without rent 300 Provided free 310 Provided free by employer or by work 320 Subsidized rent, without payment, from work 330 Gift/granted 340 In-kind benefit 350 Without payment 400 Others 410 Free agreement 420 No agreement 430 Provided for work | | All HHs | / | | |
| ARHOUS | Actual rentals for housing | Actual rentals paid by tenants and other actual rentals. | Rentals include payment for the use of the land on which the property stands, the dwelling occupied, the fixtures and fittings for heating, plumbing, lighting, etc., and, in the case of a furnished dwelling, rented furniture. | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | / | | |
| IMPREN | Imputed rentals for housing | Imputed rentals of owners occupying their main residence and other imputed rentals. | Also includes imputed rentals for secondary residences and imputed rentals for households paying a reduced rental or who are housed free. | Continuous variable | | | All HHs | / | | |

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| | | | | | | Survey Values and Value Labels | Universe | Key | Var(s) used from the survey | Country specific comments |
| ROOM | Number of rooms | Number of rooms excluding bathroom and kitchen. | In some surveys, there is no indication whether the bathroom and the kitchen are counted in the number of rooms or not. We assume they are excluded. | Ordered discrete variable | | | All HHs | / | | |
| ELECT | Connection to electricity | This variable indicates if the dwelling is connected to electricity or not. | This variable is often generated from the source of lighting. Dwellings having a private generator, are considered connected to electricity. | Dummy variable | 0 No 1 Electricity | | All HHs | / | | |
| SLIGHT | Source of energy for lighting | This variable distinguishes between public and private sources of electricity and other sources of energy used for lighting. | Private sources of electricity include community and private generators and cooperative networks. "Others" may include sources that are presented independently in the standardized value if the survey is not detailed enough (examples are gas and kerosene). | Harmonized categorical variable | 0 No lighting 1 Public network 2 Private 3 Gas 4 Kerosene 8 Others | | All HHs | / | | |
| SCOOK | Source of energy for cooking | This variable distinguishes between different sources of energy used for cooking. | | Harmonized categorical variable | 0 No cooking 1 Electricity 2 Gas 3 Kerosene 4 Wood & coal 8 Others | | All HHs | / | | |
| SHEAT | Source of energy for heating | This variable distinguishes between different sources of energy used for heating. | | Harmonized categorical variable | 0 No heating 1 Electricity 2 Gas 3 Kerosene 4 Wood & coal 8 Others | | All HHs | / | | |
| WAT | Water facility [Standardized version] | This variable should indicate the main source of drinking water for the dwelling. | Piped supply includes public and private networks; public tap includes fountains and springs; wells are either with or without private or public pumps etc.; Tanker includes water purchased indoor or outdoor; others include lakes, rivers, rainwater, etc. | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Piped supply 2 Public tap 3 Well 4 Tanker 8 Others | | All HHs | / | | |
| WAT_D | Water facility [Detailed version] | This variable should indicate the main source of drinking water for the dwelling (detailed version of coding). | | Harmonized Categorical variable | 100 Piped supply 110 Public network 120 Private network 200 Public tap 210 Public tap connected to public network 220 Public tap not connected to public network 230 Fountains 240 Unequipped fountains 250 Equipped fountains 260 Springs 300 Well 305 Covered/protected well 310 Uncovered/unprotected well 315 Well with pump 320 Well without pump 325 Covered/protected well with pump 330 Uncovered/unprotected well with pump 335 Covered/protected well without pump 340 Uncovered/unprotected well without pump 345 Public well 350 Equipped public well 355 Unequipped public well 360 Private well 365 Equipped private well 370 Unequipped private well 400 Tanker 410 Public tanker 420 Private tanker 430 Water vendor 800 Others 810 River 820 Lake 830 Rain water 840 Valley 850 Water tap, spring or well at the disposal of water association | | All HHs | / | | |
| SEWAGE | Sewage Facility | This variable should indicate the type of household connection to sewage facility. | | Harmonized categorical variable | 0 No sewage facility 1 Public network 2 Private network 3 Septic tank 4 Pit or latrine 5 Other | | All HHs | / | | |

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| TOIF | Toilet facility | This variable should indicate whether the household has access to a toilet facility. | | Dummy variable | 0 No 1 Yes | | All HHs | / | | |
| TOIF_SH | Toilet facility shared | This variable should indicate whether or not the household shares the toilet facility. | In case we don't have information on whether the toilet is shared or no but we do know if the toilet is inside or outside the dwelling we can consider that all toilets outside the dwelling are shared toilets | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Private toilet 2 Shared toilet 3 No toilet facility | | All HHs | / | | |
| BATHF_SH | Bathroom facility shared | This variable should indicate whether the household has access to a private or shared bath facility. | If no information is provided on whether the facility is private or shared, it should be considered private. | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Private bath 2 Shared bath 3 No bath facility | | All HHs | / | | |
| KTCHF_SH | Kitchen facility shared | This variable should indicate whether the household has access to a private or shared kitchen facility. | If no information is provided on whether the facility is private or shared, it should be considered private. | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Private kitchen 2 Shared kitchen 3 No kitchen facility | | All HHs | / | | |

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| FILE LEVEL: HOUSEHOLD | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL HOUSEHOLDS | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: AT THE TIME OF THE INTERVIEW | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: OWNERSHIP OF DURABLES | | | | | | | | | | |
| CAR | Has a car, van, taxi, cart, etc. | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more cars, vans, taxis, carts etc., or any other type of vehicles. | | Dummy variable | 0 None 1 One or more | | All HHs | / | | |
| CAR_N | Number of cars, vans, taxies, carts, etc. | Indicates the number of cars, taxis, carts etc., or any other type of vehicles the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| TRUCK | Has a truck, tractor, etc. | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more trucks, tractors, etc. | | Dummy variable | 0 None 1 One or more | | All HHs | / | | |
| TRUCK_N | Number of trucks, tractors, etc. | Indicates the number of trucks, tractors, etc. the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| MBCYCLE | Has a bicycle, scooter, motorcycle, etc. | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more bicycles, scooters, motorcycles, etc. | | Dummy variable | 0 None 1 One or more | | All HHs | / | | |
| MBCYCLE_N | Number of bicycles, scooters, motorcycles, etc. | Indicates the number of bicycles, scooters, motorcycles, etc. the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| TELV | Has a TV, LCD, LED, etc. | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more TVs, LCDs, LEDs, etc. | | Dummy variable | 0 None 1 One or more | | All HHs | / | | |
| TELV_N | Number of TVs, LCDs, LEDs, etc. | Indicates the number of TVs, LCDs, LEDs, etc. the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| RADIO | Has a radio or radio-cassette | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more radios or radio-cassettes. | | Dummy variable | 0 None 1 One or more | | All HHs | / | | |
| RADIO_N | Number of radios or radio-cassettes | Indicates the number of radios, radio-cassettes the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| SATD_REC | Has a satellite dish, receiver, etc. | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more satellite dishes, receivers, etc. | | Dummy variable | 0 None 1 One or more | | All HHs | / | | |
| SATD_REC_N | Number of satellite dishes, receivers, etc. | Indicates the number of satellite dishes, receivers etc. the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| PLAYER | Has a DVD, VCR, CD player, audio player, etc. | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more DVDs, VCRs, CD players, recorders, audio players etc. | | Dummy variable | 0 None 1 One or more | | All HHs | / | | |
| PLAYER_N | Number of VCRs/CD players, audio players, etc. | Indicates the number of DVDs, VCRs, CD players, recorders, audio players, etc. the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |

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| CAMERA | Has a photo or video camera | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more photo or video cameras. | | Dummy variable | 0 None | | All HHs | / | | |
| | | | | | 1 One or more | | | | | |
| CAMERA_N | Number of photo or video cameras | Indicates the number of photo or video cameras the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| GAME | Has any type of video or electronic games | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to any type of video or electronic games (Play Station, Gameboy, Wii, etc.). | | Dummy variable | 0 None | | All HHs | / | | |
| | | | | | 1 One or more | | | | | |
| GAME_N | Number of video or electronic games | Indicates the number of any type of video or electronic games (Play Station, Gameboy, Wii, etc.) the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| TELPH | Has a landline or cell phone | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more landlines or cell phones. | These variables are generated when the original data does not distinguish between the type of telephones owned (landline/cell) | Dummy variable | 0 None | | All HHs | / | | |
| | | | | | 1 One or more | | | | | |
| TELPH_N | Number of landline or cell phones | Indicates the number of landlines or cell phones the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| TELPHL | Has a landline phone | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more landline phones | | Dummy variable | 0 None | | All HHs | / | | |
| | | | | | 1 One or more | | | | | |
| TELPHL_N | Number of landline phones | Indicates the number of landline phones the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| TELPHC | Has a cell phone | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more cell phones | | Dummy variable | 0 None | | All HHs | / | | |
| | | | | | 1 One or more | | | | | |
| TELPHC_N | Number of cell phones | Indicates the number of cell phones the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| FAX | Has a fax line or fax machine | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more fax lines or fax machines | | Dummy variable | 0 None | | All HHs | / | | |
| | | | | | 1 One or more | | | | | |
| FAX_N | Number of fax lines or fax machines | Indicates the number of fax lines or fax machines the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| COMPUTER | Has a computer or laptop connected or not to an internet connection | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more computers or laptops connected or not connected to an internet connection. | | Dummy variable | 0 None | | All HHs | / | | |
| | | | | | 1 One or more | | | | | |
| COMPUTER_N | Number of computers or laptops connected or not connected to an internet connection | Indicates the number of computers or laptops, connected or not connected to an internet connection, the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |

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| INTERNET | Has an internet line and related equipment | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more internet connections and related equipment (router, USB, etc.). | | Dummy variable | 0 None 1 One or more | | All HHs | / | | |
| INTERNET_N | Number of internet lines and related equipment | Indicates the number of internet connections and related equipment (router, USB, etc.) the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| REFRG | Has a refrigerator, freezer, water cooler, etc. | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more refrigerators, freezers, water coolers, etc. | | Dummy variable | 0 None 1 One or more | | All HHs | / | | |
| REFRG_N | Number of refrigerators, freezers, water coolers, etc. | Indicates the number of refrigerators, freezers, water coolers, etc. the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| COOKER | Has a cooker, stove, oven, etc. | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more gas or electric cookers, stoves, ovens, etc. | | Dummy variable | 0 None 1 One or more | | All HHs | / | | |
| COOKER_N | Number of cookers, stoves, ovens, etc. | Indicates the number of gas or electric cookers, stoves, ovens, etc. the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| MICROWAVE | Has a microwave, grill, fryer etc. | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more microwaves, grills, fryers, etc. | | Dummy variable | 0 None 1 One or more | | All HHs | / | | |
| MICROWAVE_N | Number of microwaves, grills, fryers, etc. | Indicates the number of microwaves, grills, fryers, etc. the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| SKITAPP | Has a food processor, kitchen machine, blender, grinder etc. | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to any of small kitchen appliances like a food processor, kitchen machine, blender, grinder etc. | | Dummy variable | 0 None 1 One or more | | All HHs | / | | |
| SKITAPP_N | Number of food processors, kitchen machines, blenders, grinders, etc. | Indicates the number of small kitchen appliances like a food processor, kitchen machine, blender, grinder etc. the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| WASH | Has a washing machine | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more manual or automatic washing machines. | | Dummy variable | 0 None 1 One or more | | All HHs | / | | |
| WASH_N | Number of washing machines | Indicates the number of manual or automatic washing machines the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| DRYER | Has a clothes dryer | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more clothes dryers. | | Dummy variable | 0 None 1 One or more | | All HHs | / | | |
| DRYER_N | Number of clothes dryers | Indicates the number of clothes dryers the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |

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| DSHWSH | Has a dishwasher | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more dishwashers. | | Dummy variable | 0 None | | All HHs | / | | |
| | | | | | 1 One or more | | | | | |
| DSHWSH_N | Number of dishwashers | Indicates the number of dishwashers the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| COND | Has an air conditioner | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more air conditioners. | | Dummy variable | 0 None | | All HHs | / | | |
| | | | | | 1 One or more | | | | | |
| COND_N | Number of air conditioners | Indicates the number of air conditioners the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| FAN | Has an electric fan | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more electric fans. | | Dummy variable | 0 None | | All HHs | / | | |
| | | | | | 1 One or more | | | | | |
| FAN_N | Number of electric fans | Indicates the number of electric fans the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| HEATER | Has a heater | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more gas, electric or solar heaters. | | Dummy variable | 0 None | | All HHs | / | | |
| | | | | | 1 One or more | | | | | |
| HEATER_N | Number of heaters | Indicates the number of gas, electric or solar heaters the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| WAHEAT | Has a water heater | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more solar, gas or electric water heaters. | | Dummy variable | 0 None | | All HHs | / | | |
| | | | | | 1 One or more | | | | | |
| WAHEAT_N | Number of water heaters | Indicates the number of solar, gas or electric water heaters the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| SEWING | Has a sewing machine | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more sewing machines. | | Dummy variable | 0 None | | All HHs | / | | |
| | | | | | 1 One or more | | | | | |
| SEWING_N | Number of sewing machines | Indicates the number of sewing machines the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| VACUUM | Has a vacuum cleaner | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more vacuum cleaners. | | Dummy variable | 0 None | | All HHs | / | | |
| | | | | | 1 One or more | | | | | |
| VACUUM_N | Number of vacuum cleaners | Indicates the number of vacuum cleaners the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| IRON | Has an iron | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to one or more irons. | | Dummy variable | 0 None | | All HHs | / | | |
| | | | | | 1 One or more | | | | | |
| IRON_N | Number of irons | Indicates the number of irons the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHs reported ownership | / | | |
| ODUR | Has other durables | Indicates if the household owns or has free access to any other household appliance. | | Dummy variable | 0 None | | All HHs | / | | |
| | | | | | 1 One or more | | | | | |

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| | | | | | | Survey Values and Value Labels | Universe | Key | Var(s) used from the survey | Country specific comments |
| ODUR_N | Number of other durables | Indicates the number of any other appliances the household owns or has free access to. | | Continuous variable | | | HHS reported ownership | / | | |

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| INDIVIDUAL-LEVEL VARIABLES | | | | | | | | | | |
| FILE LEVEL: INDIVIDUAL | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL INDIVIDUALS | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: AT THE TIME OF THE INTERVIEW | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: FILE IDENTIFICATION AND INFORMATION | | | | | | | | | | |
| PNUM | Individual identifier | Individual identification number (usually the individual line number in the household). | This identifier is unique within each household. In cross-sectional datasets, both CASESER and PNUM are used to uniquely identify an individual. While in panel data, the ROUND, CASESER and PNUM are required to uniquely identify a certain individual. | Ordered discrete variable | | | All INDs | A | person | |
| PPNLID | Individual panel identifier | This variable contains the panel identification number of all surveyed individuals over more than one round during the survey year (or across two successive surveys). | This variable, in addition to HPNLID, is used to track paneled individuals only across the survey rounds/years. Thus, this identifier should be available for the paneled individuals only, and is unique within EACH round/household. It should be used, together with the HPNLID, to merge the panel data of the individuals interviewed over several rounds. In some datasets, for the paneled individuals only, this variable might be similar to PNUM. | Ordered discrete variable | | | Paneled INDs | A | person | Generated for paneled individuals only |
| PWEIGHT | Individual weight | Data-provider individual weight. | Very few data providers construct a different weight for each member of the household. If an individual weight exists in the original dataset, we do report it here (even though it turns out to be the same for all household members in most cases), otherwise we assign the household weight to all household members. All statistical analysis performed should use the appropriate weight. | Continuous variable | | | All INDs | A | rw | |

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| FILE LEVEL: INDIVIDUAL | | | | | | All individuals for whom a "not stated" status is reported in any of the variables are those within the variable universe but whose information was not provided in the original data. | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL INDIVIDUALS | | | | | | Some inconsistencies were detected across rounds in paneled observations. Only some cases could be corrected, particularly in time-invariant characteristics, however the most appropriate method to deal with the rest was left to the user's judgement. | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: AT THE TIME OF THE INTERVIEW | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: DEMOGRAPHICS | | | | | | | | | | |
| AGE | Age | Age in completed years. | In some datasets, the age may be calculated at a certain reference date (e.g., 31 December of the year preceding the survey). When the original dataset has only age categories, age is calculated as the midpoint of the range provided. In some datasets, AGE is top coded by the data provider (e.g., a value of 95 represents 95 years of age or over). In some surveys, the date of birth is reported instead of reporting the age value. In such cases, it should be computed based on the date of birth and the survey year. | Ordered discrete variable | | | All INDS | A | age | |
| SEX | Gender | Indicator for the gender of the individual. | | Harmonized Categorical variable | 1 Male 2 Female | 1 Male 2 Female | All INDS | A | sex | |
| MART | Marital status [Standardized version] | Legal administrative status concerning marriage & partnership (even if not married, an individual can still be legally recognized as being in a relationship). | There is no polygamous status for females. Generally the information about polygamous status is available only for the male head. For the other individuals, we consider those having the status married as monogamous. | Harmonized Categorical variable | 1 Never married 2 Married monogamous 3 Married polygamous 4 Divorced/Separated 5 Widowed 99 Not stated | 1 Never married 2 Married 2 Married heads if no. of spouses>1 3 Other if age<60 3 Other if age>=60 INDS aged 12+ for whom marital status is missing | INDS aged 12+ | A | maritals | |
| MART_D | Marital status [Detailed version] | Detailed legal administrative status concerning marriage & partnership (even if not married, an individual can still be legally recognized as being in a relationship). | There is no polygamous status for females. Generally the information about polygamous status is available only for the male head. For the other individuals we consider those having the status married as monogamous. This variable distinguishes also between legal marriage and marriage, and between separation and divorce. | Harmonized Categorical variable | 100 Never married 200 Married monogamous 210 Legally married 220 Married 300 Married polygamous 400 Divorced/Separated 410 Separated 420 Divorced 500 Widowed 999 Not stated | 1 Never married 2 Married 2 Married heads if no. of spouses>1 3 Other if age<60 3 Other if age>=60 INDS aged 12+ for whom marital status is missing | INDS aged 12+ | A | maritals | In the raw data, an aggregated "other" category is provided to indicate the divorced, separated or widowed. To split the original category, those younger than 60 years of age were assumed to be divorced/separated, while those aged 60 years or older were assumed to be widowed. |
| REL | Relationship to head [Standardized version] | Relationship to the head of household, where the value '1' always stands for the head of the household him/herself. The value "other relatives" includes nephew and niece, grandparents, sons/daughters in law, etc. | | Harmonized Categorical variable | 1 Head of household 2 Spouse 3 Son/daughter 4 Father/mother (parents) 5 Brother/sister 6 Grandchildren 7 Other relatives 8 Other non-relatives | 1 Head of household 2 spouse 3 Son/daughter 4 Father/mother (parent) 5 Brother/sister 7 Grandchild 6 Grand father/mother 8 Son/daughter in law 9 Other relatives 10 Others | All INDS | A | hr4 | |
| REL_D | Relationship to head [Detailed version] | Relationship to the head of household, where the value '100' always stands for the head of the household him/herself. Detailed coding indicates different relations for other relatives and other non-relatives to the head. | | Harmonized Categorical variable | 100 Head of household 200 Spouse 300 Son/daughter 310 Adopted children 400 Father/mother (parents) 500 Brother/sister 600 Grandchildren 700 Other relatives 710 Son/daughter in law 720 Grandparents 730 Father/mother in law 740 Brother/sister in law 750 Nephew/niece 800 Other non-relatives 810 Servants 820 Doorkeeper 830 Driver 840 Shepherd 850 Farmer | 1 Head of household 2 spouse 3 Son/daughter 4 Father/mother (parent) 5 Brother/sister 7 Grandchild 9 Other relatives 8 Son/daughter in law 6 Grand father/mother 10 Others | All INDS | A | hr4 | |

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| FILE LEVEL: INDIVIDUAL IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL INDIVIDUALS IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: AT THE TIME OF THE INTERVIEW CATEGORY: NATIONALITY AND IMMIGRATION | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | All individuals for whom a "not stated" status is reported in any of the variables are those within the variable universe but whose information was not provided in the original data. Some inconsistencies were detected across rounds in paneled observations. Only some cases could be corrected, particularly in time-invariant characteristics, however the most appropriate method to deal with the rest was left to the user's judgement. | | | | | | | |
| ETHNAT | Ethnicity/nationality [Standardized version] | Ethnicity or nationality. | The content of this variable is not uniform. In many datasets where information on ethnicity or nationality is not available in the original survey, this variable may be indicated by country of birth, race, ancestry or mother tongue. | Harmonized Categorical variable | 0 Non-citizen 1 Citizen 99 Not stated | | All INDS | / | | |
| ETHNAT_D | Ethnicity/nationality [Detailed version] | Coded per the UN's Dec. 2012 country classification. | | Harmonized categorical variable | 001-894 Standardized UN country codes 990 Other Arab countries 991 Other non-Arab countries 998 Without citizenship 999 Not stated | | All INDS | / | | |
| IMMIGR | Immigration status | Ideally indicates whether an individual is born in the country or has an immigrant background, and if possible, how recently he/she arrived. Other migration status information may be included if available. | The content of this variable is not uniform. Through other migration statuses we attempt to capture those who migrate from one region to another inside the country (if the place of birth is different from the place of residence inside the country). | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Immigrant (from abroad) 2 Migrant (from another region inside the country) 3 No | | All INDS | / | | |
| BIR | Is the individual born in his/her current residence place | This variable indicates whether the individual is born in his/her current place of residence. | The code "0" indicates individuals who have changed their place of residence since birth. | Dummy variable | 0 No 1 Yes | | All INDS | / | | |
| BIRPL | Place of Birth | This variable includes the country or the region/governorate where the individual was born | This variable indicates the code of the country of birth for immigrant individuals, while it indicates the code of the region/governorate of birth for individuals born in the survey country. | Categorical variable | 001-894 Standardized UN country codes (for immigrants) CNT+COD Country (UN 3 digits)+Birth place codes (for migrants and residents) | | All INDS | / | | |
| CURRESD_Y | Moving year to the current place of residence | This variable indicates the year during which the individual has moved to his/her current place of residence. | The universe of this variable should cover those who previously changed their place of residence, whether from the place of birth or from another residence place preceding the current one (for whom BIR=0). | Ordered discrete variable | | | INDs who changed their place of residence | / | | |
| CURRESD_R | Reason for moving to the current place of residence | This variable indicates the reason for which the individual has moved to his/her current place of residence. | The universe of this variable should cover those who previously changed their place of residence, whether from the place of birth or from other residence place preceding the current one (for whom BIR=0). | Harmonized categorical variable | 10 Work 20 Study 30 Marriage 40 Divorce/Widowhood 50 Accompany 60 Immigration 90 Others | | INDs who changed their place of residence | / | | |
| PRVRES | Moved to a previous place of residence before the current one | This variable indicates whether the individual previously moved to a residence place different from his/her place of birth before moving to his/her current place of residence. | The universe of this variable covers those for whom BIR=0. The code "1" indicates individuals whose previous residence place is not the place of birth or the current place of residence. For those who were born in the current residence place and never moved, this variable is coded missing (for whom BIR=1). | Dummy variable | 0 No 1 Yes | | INDs who have moved from their place of birth | / | | |
| PRVRESDPL | Previous place of residence before the current one | This variable includes the country or region/governorate of the previous residence that precedes the current one. | This variable universe are those for whom PRVRES=1. | Categorical variable | 001-894 Standardized UN country codes (for immigrants) CNT+COD Country (UN 3 digits) + Previous Residence place codes | | INDs who have moved from their place of birth and reported a previous place of residence | / | | |

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| FILE LEVEL: INDIVIDUAL | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL INDIVIDUALS | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: AT THE TIME OF THE INTERVIEW | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: EDUCATION | | | | | | | | | | |
| All individuals for whom a "not stated" status is reported in any of the variables are those within the variable universe but whose information was not provided in the original data. Some inconsistencies were detected across rounds in paneled observations. Only some cases could be corrected, particularly in time-invariant characteristics, however the most appropriate method to deal with the rest was left to the user's judgement. | | | | | | | | | | |
| LIT | Literacy status | This variable indicates whether the individual is or is not literate (can read and write). | An individual is considered literate if he/she can both read and write and not just one or the other. A semi-literate individual (one who can read, but cannot write) is said to be illiterate. In the case where the survey only asks whether an individual can read but does not ask if they can write, and in the case that there is no information in the questionnaire about the reading and writing ability, the literacy status cannot be determined, and these are coded as missing. If there are no questions about the reading and writing abilities, but the educational attainment is elementary or upper, the individual is considered literate. | Dummy variable | 0 No 1 Can read & write 99 Not stated | 1 Illiterate 2 Can read and write 3 Primary 4 Preparatory 5 Secondary 6 Intermediate diploma 7 Bachelor degree 8 High Diploma 9 Masters 10 Ph.D. INDS aged 10+ for whom edu_qual is missing | INDs aged 10+ | A | edu_qual | |
| EVERATTD | Ever attended school | This variable indicates whether the individual has ever attended school - academic, Koranic, or any other formal or informal education. | This variable is valid for all individuals in the pre-primary school age or above while it is coded missing for others. Primary school age will vary by country. This is a country-specific standard that depends on how school attendance is defined. Pre-school may be included here. Also, in some countries, the ever attended school variable could be coded yes even if the individual has attended school for a minimum amount of time. The differences need to be carefully documented. One is not required to have completed any level of education to answer this question positively. By logic, EVERATTD, EDUC and ATTSCH have the following relationship: If ATTSCH=1, EVERATTD=1 If EDUC>=2 (and ≠ 99), EVERATTD=1 If EDUC=99 & ATTSCH=0, EVERATTD=0 | Dummy variable | 0 No 1 Yes 99 Not stated | 4 Never attended 1 Yes, currently attending 2 attended and graduated 3 attended and dropped INDS aged 10+ for whom attend is missing | INDs aged 10+ | A | attend | |
| ATTSCH | School attendance status | This variable indicates whether the individual is attending school at the time of the survey. | If a person is on a short school holiday when interviewed, he or she is considered to be at school. However, if the person is on the holiday between two years of schooling, one cannot assume that he/she will continue schooling into the next year. The variable can be created using either the attendance or the enrolment question (since typically just one of them is available in each survey). The generation of this variable does not require one to have completed any level to be considered currently attending school. Adults currently attending literacy programs are considered as attending school (ATTSCH = 1). In the case that the person is not currently attending school but there is no information on whether he/she attended school and left or never attended school use information from EDUC to impute the right value. | Dummy variable | 0 No 1 Yes 99 Not stated | 2 attended and graduated 3 attended and dropped 4 Never attended 1 Yes, currently attending INDS aged 10+ for whom attend is missing | INDs aged 10+ | A | attend | |
| TYPSCCH | Type of school attended | Type of school attended by the individual. | | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Koranic 2 Academic 3 Adult education or literacy program 4 Vocational or other | | INDs aged ...+ | / | | |

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| EDUC | Educational level [Standardized version] | This variable should indicate the highest level of education attained/ completed. | This variable is generated based on the highest educational attainment variable. Primary corresponds to elementary, and lower secondary to preparatory/second stage of basic education. If there is no information on the highest level of education completed, the variable can be constructed using the diploma level, and the years of education, if available. When using currently attending information (level or grade) to construct the variable, it must correspond to the grade (or level) presently attended minus one (1). This is country specific - not all countries require the same number of school years to complete a given level. The value "None" does not mean that the individual never attended school; it means that the individual did not complete the first level of education (elementary). "None" corresponds either to those currently enrolled in primary but didn't get the diploma, those illiterate or can read and write, and those in informal schools, such as Koranic schools, traditional schools, vocational training or adult programs etc. If there is no question on the highest level of education completed for those not attending school and there is no information on diploma and/or years of education completed, then the variable cannot be constructed. | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 None 2 Primary/Lower secondary 3 Secondary 4 Post secondary or equivalent 5 University 6 Postgraduate 99 Not stated | 1 Illiterate 2 Can read and write 3 Primary 4 Preparatory 5 Secondary 6 Intermediate diploma 7 Bachelor degree 8 High Diploma 9 Masters 10 Ph.D. INDS aged 10+ for whom edu_qual is missing | INDs aged 10+ | A | edu_qual | |
| EDUC_D | Educational level [Detailed version] | Highest level of education attained (detailed version of coding). | | Harmonized categorical variable | 100 None 110 Illiterate 120 Read only 130 Read & write 140 Literacy classes/certificate 150 Never attended school 160 KG 170 Koranic KG (Koultab) 180 Attending elementary school and did not complete first level 200 Primary /Lower secondary 210 Primary 220 Preparatory 230 Lower secondary 240 Professional/Vocational below secondary education 300 Secondary 310 Academic secondary 320 Professional/Vocational secondary 400 Post secondary or equivalent 500 University 600 Postgraduate 610 High diploma 620 Masters 630 PhD 999 Not stated | 1 Illiterate 2 Can read and write 3 Primary 4 Preparatory 5 Secondary 6 Intermediate diploma 7 Bachelor degree 8 High Diploma 9 Masters Degree 10 Ph.D. INDS aged 10+ for whom edu_qual is missing | INDs aged 10+ | A | edu_qual | |
| CERTIF | Certificate specialization | This variable provides information on the specialization of the highest certificate attained. | This variable usually follows a country specific coding classification. Therefore, it is not harmonized across countries, and in some datasets across years. This variable covers those holding either a below secondary or a secondary certificate or higher. This is country specific information that is always indicated in the variable universe column. | Categorical variable | xxxxxx Certificate classification (country specific) 999999 Not stated | | INDs aged ...+ holding a below secondary/ secondary certificate or higher | / | | |
| GRADYR | Year of graduation | This variable provides information on the year in which the individual successfully attained his/her highest certificate. | | Ordered discrete variable | | | INDs aged ...+ who completed at least one level of education | / | | |
| YEDUC | Number of effective years of schooling | This variable should indicate the total number of years of formal schooling successfully completed | If the variable is not available in the original data, it can be generated using the highest level of education attained. However, the number of years of schooling required to complete different education levels is country specific. If the level of education attained is also not provided, this variable will be missing. Only the years of schooling successfully completed should be counted. Thus, those repeated should not be taken into consideration while generating this variable | Ordered discrete variable | | | INDs aged 10+ | A | yerschol | |

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| ENROL | Level of schooling presently attending | This variable ideally provides information on the level of education in which the individual is enrolled. | The universe of this variable covers the individuals attending school at the time of the survey (ATTSCH=1), and will be coded missing for others. If the type of secondary school is not specified, it is assumed to be academic (Code 3). For the surveys in which no distinction is provided between university and post university, they are considered to be university. | Harmonized Categorical variable | 1 Primary | 1 Illiterate (if age<=16) 2 Can read and write (if age<=16) | Currently enrolled INDS aged 10+ | A | edu_qual | Generated for those reported as currently attending school in the school attendance status. The variable is generated using the highest level of education attained+1, therefore it is only generated for individuals aged 10+, i.e., if the highest level attained is primary for example, normally the individual should be attending in preparatory, except for postgraduates who remained postgraduates since no higher levels could be attained. Those who were illiterate and are currently students were recoded into "other" education together with those indicated "read and write" in the educational status, except for individuals aged 16 years of age or younger still eligible to enroll in primary education, were reported to be in primary education. "Secondary" and "Intermediate college" graduates" were classified into "university" since no distinction between academic/vocational/technical secondary is available. |
| | | | | | 2 Lower secondary | 3 Primary | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Higher secondary-academic | 4 Preparatory | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Higher Secondary-technical/vocational | | | | | |
| | | | | | 5 Post secondary technical | | | | | |
| | | | | | 6 University | 5 Secondary 6 Intermediate diploma | | | | |
| | | | | | 7 Postgraduate | 7 Bachelor degree 8 High Diploma 9 Masters 10 Ph.D. | | | | |
| | | | | | 8 Others | 1 Illiterate (if age>16) 2 Can read and write (if age>16) | | | | |
| | | | | | 99 Not stated | Currently enrolled INDS aged 10+ for whom edu_qual is missing | | | | |
| ATYPSCH | Type of school presently attending | This variable provides information on the type of school where the individual is enrolled at the time of the survey. | "Public" includes fully government-owned schools as well as semi-public organizations. "Private" indicates the facilities run by non-governmental organizations (e.g., NGOs, religious institutions, etc.) or by private entities. "Others" refers to schools that cannot be categorized elsewhere such as community schools run by local parental groups. | Harmonized Categorical variable | 1 Public | | Currently enrolled INDS aged ...+ | / | | |
| | | | | | 2 Private | | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Koranic | | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Adult literacy | | | | | |
| | | | | | 8 Others | | | | | |
| VOC | Received any vocational training | The variable provides information on whether the individual received any type of vocational training even if received outside the formal schooling system. | | Dummy variable | 0 No | 4 Never attended | INDS aged 10+ | A | attend | |
| | | | | | 1 Yes | 1 Currently attending 2 Attended and graduated 3 Attended and dropped | | | | |
| TYPVOC | Type of vocational training received | This variable should identify the type of vocational training received even if received outside the formal schooling system. | | Harmonized Categorical variable | 100 Carpentry | | INDS aged ...+ who received a vocational training | / | | |
| | | | | | 200 Construction | | | | | |
| | | | | | 210 Brick laying | | | | | |
| | | | | | 300 Computer | | | | | |
| | | | | | 400 Motor mechanics | | | | | |
| | | | | | 500 Electrical | | | | | |
| | | | | | 600 Catering | | | | | |
| | | | | | 700 Sewing/tailoring | | | | | |
| | | | | | 800 Nursing/first aid | | | | | |
| | | | | | 900 Other | | | | | |
| 999 Not stated | | | | | | | | | | |

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| FILE LEVEL: INDIVIDUAL | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL INDIVIDUALS | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: WITHIN 7 DAYS OF THE INTERVIEW | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: CURRENT LABOR STATUS | | | | | | | | | | |
| LFS | Labor force status in the reference period | The current labor force status should distinguish between the active (employed or unemployed) and inactive individuals (out of the labor force). | Individuals are considered "active" in the labor force if they presently have a job (formal or informal, i.e. are employed) or do not have a job but are actively seeking work (i.e. unemployed). Those unemployed and do not seek a job are considered inactive. | Harmonized Categorical variable | 1 Active | pw01=1 or pw02=1 pw03=1 & pw04=6-9 Absent from work pw03=1 & pw04=2 III pw03=1 & pw04=1 or 3 Vacation/Maternity leave pw03=1 & pw04=5 Temporary stoppage pw03=1 & pw04=4 Strike/Closure/Curfew pw18=2 Waiting for work season pw18=8 Arrangement was taken to start self-employment pw18=11 Found/established a job which starts later pw16=1 & pw25<3 Seeking job, ever worked pw16=1 & pw25=3 Seeking job, never worked pw18=1 Waiting news from employer pw18=7 Waiting results from previous job/application pw18=10 Waiting for permit to work in Israel | INDS aged 10+ | | pw01 pw02 pw03 pw04 pw16 pw18 pw25 | |
| | | | | | 2 Inactive | pw01=2 Not working; Detained pw18=3 Studying/ training pw18=4 Family responsibilities pw18=5 Low wages pw18=6 Illness/Injury/Disability pw18=9 Too old pw18=12 Lack of qualifications, experience, ... pw18=13 Unable to find a job pw18=14 Retirement pw18=15 The existence of revenues pw18=16 No jobs available in the area pw18=17 No need to work pw18=18 The household do not permit work pw18=19 Other reasons | | | | |
| | | | | | 99 Not stated | INDS aged 10+ for whom all relevant variables are missing | | | | |
| MAS | Main activity status in the reference period [Standardized version] | Main activity status with respect to the labor force, which distinguishes between the employed and the not employed. The employed are those for whom work is the main activity, while for all the others the main activity should attempt to distinguish between pensioners, students, and homemakers. | Unlike LFS, the main distinction in MAS is between "employed" and "not employed." - "Employed": refers to those who, during the reference period, experienced any employment (any type or any extent) - even just one occasional hour of paid work or irregular unpaid family work (ILO definition). - "Not Employed": The rationale is that the individuals do not generally spend their time "being unemployed," but use the unemployment time to participate in other activities (e.g., attending school or being a housewife). Unemployment will generally be considered the primary activity only if the individual states that unemployment is his/her primary activity (e.g., unemployed and actively searching for a job) or if the individual is registered as unemployed and does not indicate significant participation in any other activity. In these cases, the individuals will be assigned their own category among the "Not Employed." Accordingly, "Not Employed" is classified into: - Unemployed - individuals who are not employed comprise all who are "not in employment" but "currently available to take up employment" and carry out "activities to seek employment", and who report that they are unemployed. - Not in Labor Force / Inactive - individuals identifiable as being neither employed nor unemployed, by the definitions above. If possible, the inactive category should distinguish between the retired, students, homemakers, pensioners, disabled, etc. | Harmonized Categorical variable | 1 Employed | pw01=1 or pw02=1 pw03=1 & pw04=6-9 Absent from work pw03=1 & pw04=2 III pw03=1 & pw04=1 or 3 Vacation/Maternity leave pw03=1 & pw04=5 Temporary stoppage pw03=1 & pw04=4 Strike/Closure/Curfew pw18=2 Waiting for work season pw18=8 Arrangement was taken to start self-employment pw18=11 Found/established a job which starts later | INDS aged 10+ | | pw01 pw02 pw03 pw04 pw16 pw18 pw25 | |
| | | | | | 2 Unemployed | pw16=1 & pw25<3 Seeking job, ever worked pw16=1 & pw25=3 Seeking job, never worked pw18=1 Waiting news from employer pw18=7 Waiting results from previous job/application pw18=10 Waiting for permit to work in Israel | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Homemaker (Housewife) | pw18=4 Family responsibilities | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Student | pw18=3 Studying/ training | | | | |
| | | | | | 5 Pensioners/retired/disabled | pw18=6 Illness/Injury/Disability pw18=9 Too old pw18=14 Retirement | | | | |
| | | | | | 6 Others | pw01=2 Not working; Detained pw18=5 Low wages pw18=12 Lack of qualifications, experience, ... pw18=13 Unable to find a job pw18=15 The existence of revenues pw18=16 No jobs available in the area pw18=17 No need to work pw18=18 The household do not permit work pw18=19 Other reasons | | | | |
| | | | | | 99 Not stated | INDS aged 10+ for whom all relevant variables are missing | | | | |

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| | | | | | | Survey Values and Value Labels | Universe | Key | Var(s) used from the survey | Country specific comments | |
| MAS_D | Main activity status in the reference period [Detailed version] | Main activity status with respect to the labor force, which distinguishes between the employed and the not employed. The employed are those for whom work is the main activity, while for all the others the main activity should attempt to distinguish between pensioners, students, and homemakers. This detailed variable also distinguishes between different types of employment and unemployment. | Among the employed, the variable should distinguish between those who are actually employed, those who are temporarily absent from work (by reason of absence if available), those managing their own properties and those who are engaged in a job opportunity but are temporarily unpaid. Similarly, for the unemployed, the variable, if possible, should identify those who have worked before and those who have never worked, in addition to the unemployed who are not seeking a job, with the reason for why the individual is not looking for a job opportunity. The code 113 indicating temporary stoppage of the industry may also indicate an activity reduction or a temporary closure, which means that the employing entity might not be working in full capacity. This might be due to a lack in the number of customers or to a shortage in demand. In both cases, this should always imply that the individual is still employed (temporarily absent) since he/she is still paid/earn income. The reasons for which the person is identified to be a discouraged unemployed (Code 620) are reported in detail in the variable (NOTSRCH_R). Discouraged unemployment includes those who are available and want to work but given up on searching for a job because they found no suitable employment options and/or were met with lack of success when applying. Family responsibilities includes taking caring for children, the incapacitated or elderly. | Harmonized Categorical variable | 100 Employed | pw01=1 or pw02=1 | INDS aged 10+ | | | | |
| | | | | | 110 Employed but temporary absent from work | pw03=1 & pw04=6-9 Absent from work | | | | | |
| | | | | | 111 Sick leave/Ill | pw03=1 & pw04=2 Ill | | | | | |
| | | | | | 112 Vacation/Official vacation | pw03=1 & pw04=1 or 3 Vacation/Maternity leave | | | | | |
| | | | | | 113 Temporary stoppage of the industry | pw03=1 & pw04=5 Temporary stoppage pw18=2 Waiting for work season | | | | | |
| | | | | | 114 Travel | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 115 Strike/Curfew | pw03=1 & pw04=4 Strike/Closure/Curfew | | | | | |
| | | | | | 120 Managing own properties | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 130 Employed but temporary unpaid | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 131 Arranges to take up paid/self-employment activity | pw18=8 Arrangement was taken to start self employment | | | | | |
| | | | | | 132 Waiting for the start date of an agreed work | pw18=11 Found/established a job which starts later | | | | | |
| | | | | | 133 Waiting to have clients | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 134 Unpaid leave for more than one year | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 135 Waiting to go back to previous job | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 200 Unemployed | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 210 Unemployed ever worked (seeking a job) | pw16=1 & pw25<3 Seeking job, ever worked | | | | | |
| | | | | | 220 Unemployed never worked (seeking a job) | pw16=1 & pw25=3 Seeking job, never worked | | | | | |
| | | | | | 230 Unemployed (not seeking a job) | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 231 Awaiting a recall to a previous job (temporary laid off) | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 232 Awaiting work applications/interviews/competitions results | pw18=1 Waiting news from employer pw18=7 Waiting results from previous job/ application | | | | | |
| | | | | | 233 Unable to issue work permission due to political circumstances | pw18=10 Waiting for permit to work in Israel | | | | | |
| | | | | | 234 Not able to seek a job due to closure/curfew | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 235 In military service | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 300 Homemaker (Housewife) | pw18=4 Family responsibilities | | | | | |
| | | | | | 310 Homemaker | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 320 Housewife | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 400 Student | pw18=3 Studying/ training | | | | | |
| | | | | | 500 Pensioners/retired/disabled | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 510 Pensioners | pw18=14 Retirement | | | | | |
| | | | | | 520 Retired | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 530 Disabled | pw18=6 Illness/Injury/Disability | | | | | |
| | | | | | 540 Unable to work | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 550 Old | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 560 Disabled/Old/Ill | pw18=9 Too old | | | | | |
| 600 Others | pw18=18 The household do not permit work pw18=19 Other reasons | | | | | | | | | | |
| 610 Out of labor force | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 620 Discouraged unemployment | pw18=5 Low wages pw18=12 Lack of qualifications, experience, ... pw18=13 Unable to find a job pw18=16 No jobs available in the area | | | | | | | | | | |
| 630 Not working and not looking for a job | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 640 Have income/revenue/means | pw18=15 The existence of revenues pw18=17 No need to work | | | | | | | | | | |
| 650 In prison | pw01=2 Not working; Detained | | | | | | | | | | |
| 660 In hospital | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 670 Landlord | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 680 Family responsibilities | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 999 Not stated | INDS aged 10+ for whom all relevant variables are missing | | | | | | | | | | |

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| IDEAL UNIVERSE: EMPLOYED | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: WITHIN 7 DAYS OF THE INTERVIEW | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: EMPLOYMENT IN MAIN JOB | | | | | | | | | | |
| EMPS | Status of employment in the main job during the reference period | Detailed description of the employment status (employee, own-account workers, employer, unpaid family worker, etc.) in the main job, ideally following the ICSE classification (1993). | Definitions are taken from the ILO Classification of Status in Employment with some revisions to take into account the available data. - Employee includes anyone who works for a public or private employer and whose basic remuneration is not directly dependent on the revenue of the unit they work for, typically remunerated by wages and salaries but may be paid for piece work or in-kind. The payment is based on an explicit (written or oral) or implicit employment contract. The continuous criteria used in the ILO definition is not used here as data are often absent and due to country specificity. Public includes quasi-government organizations. - Employer is a business owner (whether alone or in partnership) with employees. If the only people working in the business are the owner and contributing family workers, the individual is not considered an employer (as they have no employees) and is, instead classified as own account. Employer is termed as a self-employed worker with hired employees. - Own account or self-employment: jobs are those where remuneration is directly dependent on the goods and services produced (where | Harmonized Categorical variable | 1 Employee | 1 Wage employee | Employed INDS aged 10+ | A | pw40 | For those employed but temporary unpaid (MAS_D=131, 132), all main job characteristics were recoded "not stated" since they did not effectively start working. |
| | | | | | 2 Employer | 2 Employer | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Own account, self-employed | 3 Self employed | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Contributing (unpaid) family worker | 4 Unpaid family member | | | | |
| | | | | | 5 Member of producers cooperatives | | | | | |
| | | | | | 6 Workers not classifiable by status (Others) | | | | | |
| | | | | | 99 Not stated | Employed INDS aged 10+ for whom pw40 is missing | | | | |

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| OCC | Occupation classification of the main job [Standardized version] | Standardized occupation classification of the main job. | In many datasets, national classifications are used to code the detailed data collected. In such cases, if the aggregated data is provided by the statistical office, no attempt to correct the original variable is done. | Harmonized Categorical variable | 10 Legislators, senior officials and managers | 11 thru 14 | Employed INDS aged 10+ | A | pw39 | For those employed but temporary unpaid (MAS_D=131, 132), all main job characteristics were recoded "not stated" since they did not effectively start working. |
| | | | | | 20 Professionals | 21 thru 26 | | | | |
| | | | | | 30 Technicians and associate professionals | 31 thru 35 | | | | |
| | | | | | 40 Clerks | 41 thru 44 | | | | |
| | | | | | 50 Service workers and shop and market sales workers | 51 thru 54 | | | | |
| | | | | | 60 Skilled agricultural and fishery workers | 61 thru 63 | | | | |
| | | | | | 70 Craft and related trades workers | 71 thru 75 | | | | |
| | | | | | 80 Plant and machine operators and assemblers | 81 thru 83 | | | | |
| | | | | | 90 Elementary occupations | 91 thru 96 | | | | |
| | | | | | 100 Armed Forces | 1 thru 3 | | | | |
| | | | | | 998 Other/unspecified | | | | | |
| | | | | | 999 Not stated | Employed INDS aged 10+ for whom pw39 is missing | | | | |
| | | | | | OCC_ISCO08_2 | Occupation classification of the main job [ISCO 2008-2 digits] | | | | |
| IND | Economic activity classification of the main job [Standardized version] | Standardized economic activity classification of the main job. | In many datasets, national classifications are used to code the detailed data collected. In such cases, if the aggregated data is provided by the statistical office, no attempt to correct the original variable is done. The category "Wholesale and retail trade" includes the repair activities of motor vehicles and motorcycles. The category "Real estate, administrative, professional and support service activities" includes: Real estate, renting and business activities; professional, scientific and technical activities; in addition to administrative and support service activities. | Harmonized categorical variable | 10 Agriculture, forestry and fishing | 1 thru 3 | Employed INDS aged 10+ | A | pw37 | For those employed but temporary unpaid (MAS_D=131, 132), all main job characteristics were recoded "not stated" since they did not effectively start working. |
| | | | | | 20 Mining and quarrying | 5 thru 9 | | | | |
| | | | | | 30 Manufacturing | 10 thru 33 | | | | |
| | | | | | 40 Electricity, gas and water supply | 35 thru 39 | | | | |
| | | | | | 50 Construction | 41 thru 43 | | | | |
| | | | | | 60 Wholesale and retail trade | 45 thru 47 | | | | |
| | | | | | 70 Transportation and storage | 49 thru 53 | | | | |
| | | | | | 80 Accommodation and food service activities | 55 thru 56 | | | | |
| | | | | | 90 Information and communication | 58 thru 63 | | | | |
| | | | | | 100 Financial and insurance activities | 64 thru 66 | | | | |
| | | | | | 110 Real estate, professional and support service activities | 68 thru 82 | | | | |
| | | | | | 120 Public administration and defense | 84 | | | | |
| | | | | | 130 Education | 85 | | | | |
| | | | | | 140 Human health and social work activities | 86 thru 88 | | | | |
| | | | | | 150 Other activities | 90 thru 99 | | | | |
| | | | | | 998 Unspecified | | | | | |
| 999 Not stated | Employed INDS aged 10+ for whom pw37 is missing | | | | | | | | | |
| IND_ISIC4_2 | Economic activity classification of the main job [ISIC Rev.4-2 digits] | Economic activity classification of the main job, following the 2-digits International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities, Revision 4 (ISIC Rev.4). | | Harmonized categorical variable | -- ISIC-Rev. 4-2 digits coding 9998 Unspecified codes 9999 Not Stated | | Employed INDS aged 10+ | A | pw37 | |

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| | | | | | | Survey Values and Value Labels | Universe | Key | Var(s) used from the survey | Country specific comments |
| SECTOR | Sector of employment of the main job [Standardized version] | Sector of employment (i.e. private versus public sector workers) in the main job. | Quasi-public sectors are considered as public. In the case that there is no distinction between Government and Public, in the original survey, we use the classification as provided. Cooperative includes employees in joint ventures. Foreign includes workers in international NGOs. Others includes workers in national NGOs and in private households. | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Government 2 Public sector 3 Private sector 4 Joint/Cooperative 5 Foreign sector 6 Others 99 Not stated | 1 National Government 2 Foreign Government 3 Local authority 7 Private sector 8 Private enterprise 9 Private household 4 International institution 5 UNRWA 6 Nonprofit Organization Employed INDs aged 10+ for whom pw50 is missing | Employed INDs aged 10+ | A | pw50 | |
| SECTOR_D | Sector of employment of the main job [Detailed version] | This variable distinguishes between different types of public and private sectors as well as other types of sectors (foreign, cooperative, etc.). | The classification of those working inside or outside an establishment in different sectors can be further studied using the variable "ESTAB". | Harmonized categorical variable | 100 Government 110 Government-National 120 Government-Foreign 130 Government-Federal 140 Government-Local 200 Public sector 210 Economic institutions 300 Private sector 310 Private-Investment 320 Private-National 321 Private-National inside establishment 322 Private-National outside establishment 330 Private-Foreign 331 Private-Foreign inside establishment 332 Private-Foreign outside establishment 340 Private-Inside establishment 350 Private-Outside establishment 360 Private-Families 400 Joint/Cooperative 410 Joint 420 Cooperative 430 Joint local sector 440 Joint public and private sector 500 Foreign sector 510 Diplomatic bodies 600 Others 610 Non-governmental organizations 620 Non-profit associations 630 Charitable associations 640 Outside establishment 650 Outside the country 660 UNRWA 999 Not stated | 1 National Government 2 Foreign Government 3 Local authority 7 Private sector 8 Private enterprise 9 Private household 4 International institution 6 Nonprofit Organization 5 UNRWA Employed INDs aged 10+ for whom pw50 is missing | Employed INDs aged 10+ | A | pw50 | The sector of employment generated using the variable pw40, originally indicating the employment status, is not reported for those who found a job and waiting to start, in addition to all other employed individuals for whom the employment status is employer or self-employed. Thus, the generated variable for those who found a job is recoded "not stated", and the sector was assumed to be private for all employers and self-employed. Regular private sector was assumed to be inside an establishment; while the irregular one was coded private sector outside an establishment. The sector for unpaid family workers was assumed to be private-families. The sector for those reported "Workers not classifiable by status (Others)" are recoded "not stated" since no sector could be assumed for them. For those employed but temporary unpaid (MAS_D=131, 132), all main job characteristics were recoded "not stated" since they did not effectively start working. |
| WRKPLC | Workplace of the main job | This variable provides information on the place where the individual actually carries out the main job work, whether it is inside or outside an establishment. | - All individuals working at/from their own homes or at someone else's home can be denoted home-based workers or home workers. - The typical workplace for domestic workers is "someone else's home." -Premises adjacent to home are a separate unit attached to the respondent's home (e.g. a doctor's clinic, or farmer's field or building, adjacent to the place of residence). - Exclusive premises include ministry, department, commercial store, office, factory, school, hospital, hotel, restaurant, workshop, company etc. Most of the exclusive premises, except for the governmental entities, might be public, private, foreign or mixed. - Workers in transportation and construction sites, codes 8 and 9, undertake their activities in the streets but they should not be combined with street vendors. For those working outside an establishment, this variable can serve in identifying those working in the informal sector. | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 In individual's home 2 In someone else's home 3 In premises adjacent to home 4 In exclusive premises 5 Street vendor with fixed/semi-fixed location 6 Street vendor with mobile location 7 Kiosk/hut 8 Transportation vehicle 9 Construction site 10 Agriculture land/maritime area 90 Others 99 Not stated | | Employed INDs aged ...+ | / | | |

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| GWRKPLC | Geographical workplace of the main job | This variable provides information about the geographical place of work (e.g. district/ governorate/ region) of the main job. | The geographical workplace is generated using the highest level of aggregation provided in the original data, and broke down by urban/rural if possible. | categorical variable | CNT+COD 777777 Country (UN 3 digits) + Work place codes 888888 Working abroad 999999 Mobile workers Not stated | | Employed INDs aged 10+ | A | pw34 | The variable pw34, as provided in the raw data, identifies those who are working in the west bank, Gaza strip, Israel or abroad. For those employed but temporary unpaid (MAS_D=131, 132), all main job characteristics were recoded "not stated" since they did not effectively start working. |
| TENURE | Tenure in the main job | Duration of time worked in main job. | | Semi-standardized continuous variable when information is provided in continuous years | | | Employed INDs aged ...+ | / | | |
| EMPSTAB | Employment stability in the main job | This variable indicates whether the employed individual is engaged in a regular or an irregular job. | | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Full time/Regular 2 Part time/Temporary 3 Seasonal/Irregular 99 Not stated | 1 Full time/regular 2 Part time 3 Seasonal/casual, occasional Employed INDs aged 10+ for whom pw81 is missing | Employed INDs aged 10+ | A | pw81 | For those employed but temporary unpaid (MAS_D=131, 132), all main job characteristics were recoded "not stated" since they did not effectively start working. |
| EMPCONT | Employment contract in the main job | This variable should indicate whether the individual has an explicit (written or oral) or an implicit employment contract. | - Those reported to be officially hired are permanent workers at their main job. However, no official contract should be signed between them and their employers (e.g., governmental employees). - Employees with a written contract for a limited duration are those for whom the main job will terminate after a fixed period of time or upon completion of a certain project/task. - Employees with verbal or oral contracts are those for whom the main job started on the basis of a spoken agreement. Oral contracts are difficult to prove and enforce. - The individuals for whom an employment contract would not be applicable given their employment status, should be coded 200 "No contract." -This variable is important for measuring work stability, quality and decency. | Harmonized categorical variable | 100 Yes 110 Officially hired 120 Written contract for an unlimited duration 130 Written contract for a limited duration 140 Collective agreement 150 Verbal agreement 200 No contract 999 Not stated | 2 Yes- written for unlimited period 1 Yes- written for limited period 4 Yes- Verbal agreement 5 No Employed INDs aged 10+ for whom pw41 is missing | Employed INDs aged 10+ | A | pw41 | For those employed but temporary unpaid (MAS_D=131, 132), all main job characteristics were recoded "not stated" since they did not effectively start working. |
| BENEFIT_X | Individual benefits from/receives X ... from employer | This variable provides information on the types of benefits the employed individual may receive from his/her employer. <i>X denotes the type of benefit.</i> | | Dummy variables (0 No, 1 Yes) | X=1 Contribution to the pension/end of service funding X=2 Leave in-lieu/paid annual leave X=3 Paid sick leave X=4 Paid maternity vacation (women only) X=90 Others | pw42=1 (Yes) pw43=1 (Yes) pw44=1 (Yes) pw45=1 (Yes) | Employed INDs aged 10+ | A | pw42 pw43 pw44 pw45 | |
| HLTHINS | Has health insurance | This variable indicates whether the employed individual has health insurance. | | Dummy variable | 0 No 1 Yes 99 Not stated | pw471=0 And pw472=0 And pw473=0 pw471=1 Or pw472=1 Or pw473=1 Employed INDs aged 10+ for whom pw471, pw472 and pw473 are missing | Employed INDs aged 10+ | A | pw471 pw472 pw473 | This variable indicates if the employer provides free private health insurance, free public health insurance or insurance against injuries. |
| SOCSEC | Has social security coverage | This variable indicates whether the employed individual is covered by a social security/insurance system. | | Dummy variable | 0 No 1 Yes 99 Not stated | | Employed INDs aged ...+ | / | | |
| SYDUN | Affiliated to a syndicate or a vocational union | This variable indicates whether the employed individual is affiliated to syndicates or vocational unions. | | Dummy variable | 0 No 1 Yes 99 Not stated | 2 No 1 Yes Employed INDs aged 10+ for whom pw56 is missing | Employed INDs aged 10+ | A | pw56 | |

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| ESTAB | Working in an establishment at the main job | This variable indicates whether the individual is working in an establishment in his/her main job. | | Dummy variable | 0 No | All other employed individuals for whom pw51=Sysmis | Employed INDs aged 10+ | A | pw51 | The variable was generated using the original variable indicating if the establishment is registered in tax administration assuming that all who have responded to this variable are those working in an establishment. |
| | | | | | 1 Yes | pw51=1 or 2 or 3 | | | | |
| | | | | | 99 Not stated | Employed INDs aged 10+ for whom pw51 is missing | | | | |
| ESTTAX | Establishment registered in tax administration | This variable indicates whether the enterprise where the individual works is registered in a tax administration. | The enterprises which are still in the process of being registered are coded "1"- yes. | Dummy variable | 0 No | 2 No | Employed in establishment INDs aged 10+ | A | pw51 | |
| | | | | | 1 Yes | 1 Yes | | | | |
| | | | | | 99 Not stated | 3 Don't know Employed in establishment INDs aged 10+ for whom pw51 is missing | | | | |
| NUMWRK | Number of workers in establishment of the main job | This variable indicates the number of workers in the enterprise/establishment in which the respondent is employed in his/her main job. | | Categorical variable | 100 1 thru 9 | 1 Only one | Employed in establishment INDs aged 10+ | A | pw54 | |
| | | | | | 110 1 | | | | | |
| | | | | | 120 1 thru 4 | | | | | |
| | | | | | 130 2 thru 4 | 2 2-4 | | | | |
| | | | | | 140 5 thru 9 | 3 5-9 | | | | |
| | | | | | 200 10 thru 49 | | | | | |
| | | | | | 210 10 thru 19 | 4 10-19 | | | | |
| | | | | | 220 20+ | 5 20+ | | | | |
| | | | | | 230 10 thru 24 | | | | | |
| | | | | | 240 25 thru 49 | | | | | |
| | | | | | 300 50 thru 99 | | | | | |
| | | | | | 400 100+ | | | | | |
| 999 Not stated | Employed in establishment INDs aged 10+for whom pw54 is missing | | | | | | | | | |
| HRSWK | Total weekly working hours in the main job | This variable reports the total number of hours the individual usually works during the week on his/her main job. | The number of hours usually worked, as defined by the ILO, is the typical value (may be the modal value) of hours actually worked in the job during a certain reference period. This variable can help in assessing time-related underemployment (visible underemployment). | Continuous variable | | | Employed INDs aged 10+ | A | pw06 | The number of weekly working hours provided in variable pw06 aggregates the total number of hours worked in all jobs (main, secondary, irregular, ..etc.). It is not reported for those who are employed but temporary absent from their work (MAS_D=110), or temporary unpaid (MAS_D=132). Thus, the generated variable for those cases is recoded "0". |
| FHRSWK_R_X | Reason for few weekly working hours isX | This set of variables should provide the reason(s) for which an individual reported weekly working hours below a country specific threshold. <i>X indicates the reason.</i> | The threshold used in such a variable may vary from one dataset to another. The variable's universe will denote the threshold used in each country. Some of the reasons reported are called "involuntary reasons." They can be used with the criterion of usually working for hours below a certain threshold to define the "visible underemployment." | Dummy variables (0 No, 1 Yes) | X=1 Official working hours < threshold | 6 Could not find additional work | Employed INDs aged 10+ and working weekly less than 35 hours | A | pw07 | The original variable indicating the reason for which an employee is working less than 35 hours weekly (pw07) is not reported for those who are employed but temporary absent from their work (MAS_D=110), or temporary unpaid (MAS_D=132). Thus, the main reason for the "zero" number of working hours reported for those cases will be "temporary absent from work". Personal reasons include family responsibilities, being on vacation, illness, getting older, ...etc. |
| | | | | | X=2 Work conditions | 5 Nature of work | | | | |
| | | | | | X=3 Strike/Closure | 3 Strike 4 Closure | | | | |
| | | | | | X=4 Unavailability of additional work | | | | | |
| | | | | | X=5 Unsatisfactory wages | | | | | |
| | | | | | X=6 Time allocated to education or training | | | | | |
| | | | | | X=7 Family/Personal responsibilities | 1 Personal reasons | | | | |
| | | | | | X=8 Temporary absence from work | MAS_D=110, 130 Employed but temporary unpaid | | | | |
| | | | | | X=9 Unwillingness to do extra work | 2 No desire to work more | | | | |
| | | | | | X=90 Others | 7 Other | | | | |
| SEEKWRK | Seeking additional employment during the reference period | This variable should identify those who are looking for additional work during the reference period. | The search reference period may be 1 week, 4 weeks or 6 months preceding the survey. This is country specific information, and is denoted in the comments. | Dummy variable | 0 No | 2 No | Employed INDs aged 10+ | A | pw14 | This variable identifies those who were looking for extra work in addition to the current job during the four weeks preceding the surveys |
| | | | | | 1 Yes | 1 Yes | | | | |
| | | | | | 99 Not stated | Employed INDs aged 10+ for whom pw14 is missing | | | | |

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| WNTCHJ | Want to change the main job/get an additional job | The variable indicates whether the individual wants to change his/her main job or wants to have an additional one. | | Dummy variable | 0 No | 2 No | Employed INDs aged 10+ | A | pw10 pw14 | |
| | | | | | 1 Yes | 1 Yes | | | | |
| | | | | | 99 Not stated | Employed INDs aged 10+ for whom pw08 is missing | | | | |
| WNTCHJ_R | Reason for desiring to change the main job/get an additional job | The variable provides the main reason for which an individual reported desire to change his/her main job or get an additional one. | The "work place location" might be a reason for the desire to change the job if it is too far from the individual's residence area or if the transportation is too difficult. | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Insufficient earnings | 1 Insufficient income | Employed INDs aged 10+ reported desire to change job/get additional one | A | pw11 | |
| | | | | | 2 Does not match the educational qualification | | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Bad work conditions | 3 Bad work conditions | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Inappropriate work place location | 4 Place of work is far | | | | |
| | | | | | 5 Present job is seasonal/casual | 5 Temporary/seasonal/casual | | | | |
| | | | | | 6 Occupation is not suitable | 2 Occupation is not suitable | | | | |
| | | | | | 7 Does not like present job | | | | | |
| | | | | | 8 Inappropriate working hours | | | | | |
| | | | | | 90 Others | 6 Other | | | | |
| | | | | | 99 Not stated | Employed INDs aged 10+ who reported desire to change job/get additional one for whom pw09 is missing | | | | |
| DAYMNTH | Total number of working days per month in the main job | The total number of days usually worked during a month on the main job. | | Continuous variable | | | Employed INDs aged 10+ | A | pw83 | The original variable indicates the number of "paid" working days, thus the total number of days worked might exceed the usual number of monthly working days if double paid days are counted. In the raw data, the number of working days is provided for employees only, while for the employers and self-employed, the data is not collected. |
| WKMNTH | Total number of working weeks per month in the main job | The total number of weeks usually worked during a month on the main job. | | Continuous variable | | | Employed INDs aged+ | / | | |

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| | | | | | | Survey Values and Value Labels | Universe | Key | Var(s) used from the survey | Country specific comments |
| FILE LEVEL: INDIVIDUAL | | | All wages and incomes variables are recorded as monthly amounts. ERF unified the amounts, provided that they had not already been unified in the original data. Monthly amounts should be reported in a country's national currency. | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: EMPLOYED HAVING A MAIN JOB | | | A check for outliers is necessary before conducting any analysis on the wages/incomes variables. | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: WITHIN 7 DAYS OF THE INTERVIEW | | | Extreme cases were detected in the original variables; however, the appropriate method to deal with it was left to the user's judgment. | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: WAGES AND INCOMES | | | | | | | | | | |
| BASWAG | Total monthly basic wage from the main regular job | | When the original dataset has only wage categories, the variable's value is calculated as the midpoint of the range provided. | Continuous variable | | | Waged workers aged ...+ | / | | |
| ADDWAG | Total monthly additional work wage from the main regular job | | When the original dataset has only wage categories, the variable's value is calculated as the midpoint of the range provided. | Continuous variable | | | Waged workers aged ...+ | / | | |
| ALLWNC | Total monthly allowances from the main regular job | This variable includes both cash and in-kind allowances. | When the original dataset has only wage categories, the variable's value is calculated as the midpoint of the range provided. | Continuous variable | | | Waged workers aged ...+ | / | | |
| BONUS | Total monthly bonus from the main regular job | | When the original dataset has only wage categories, the variable's value is calculated as the midpoint of the range provided. | Continuous variable | | | Waged workers aged ...+ | / | | |
| INCENTV | Total monthly incentives from the main regular job | This variable includes both cash and in-kind incentives. | When the original dataset has only wage categories, the variable's value is calculated as the midpoint of the range provided. | Continuous variable | | | Waged workers aged ...+ | / | | |
| PROFIT | Total monthly profits from the main regular job | | When the original dataset has only wage categories, the variable's value is calculated as the midpoint of the range provided. | Continuous variable | | | Waged workers aged ...+ | / | | |
| OTHEARN | Total other monthly earnings from the main regular job | | When the original dataset has only wage categories, the variable's value is calculated as the midpoint of the range provided. | Continuous variable | | | Waged workers aged ...+ | / | | |
| TOTWAG | Total monthly wage from the regular main job | This variable indicates the total monthly wage the employee receives from his/her main job. | The value of the total wage reported in this variable should equal the value of the basic wage in addition to bonuses, benefits, allowances, profits, etc. TOTWAG=BASWAG+ADDWAG+ALLWNC+BONUS+INCENTV+PROFIT+OTHEARN When the original dataset has only wage categories, the total wage is calculated as the midpoint of the range provided. | Continuous variable | | | Waged workers aged 10+ | A | pw83 dwage | Only daily wages in shekel are provided. The daily wages were multiplied by the number of paid working days during the month preceding the survey (pw25) to generate monthly wages. |
| IRRGWAG | Total daily wages from seasonal/irregular jobs | This variable should provide the value of earnings for employed individuals in seasonal or irregular jobs. | This variable should typically cover the individuals reported to have irregular/seasonal jobs in EMPSTAB (code 3). When the original dataset has only wage categories, the total wage is calculated as the midpoint of the range provided. | Continuous variable | | | Irregular waged workers aged ...+ | / | | |
| EMPINC | Total monthly income (for employers) from the main job | | When the original dataset has only income categories, the total income is calculated as the midpoint of the range provided. | Continuous variable | | | Employer INDs aged ...+ | / | | |
| SEMPINC | Total monthly income (for self-employed) from the main job | | When the original dataset has only income categories, the total income is calculated as the midpoint of the range provided. | Continuous variable | | | Self-employed INDs aged ...+ | / | | |

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| FILE LEVEL: INDIVIDUAL IDEAL UNIVERSE: EMPLOYED IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: WITHIN 7 DAYS OF THE INTERVIEW CATEGORY: EMPLOYMENT IN SECONDARY JOB | | | | | | | | | | |
| All individuals for whom a "not stated" status is reported in any of the variables are those within the variable universe but whose information was not provided in the original data. | | | | | | | | | | |
| SECJOB | Has a secondary job during the reference period | This variable should identify those who have a secondary job. | | Dummy variable | 0 No 1 Yes | 2 No 1 Yes | Employed INDS aged 10+ | A | pw61 | This variable is only generated for those who were effectively working at the time of the survey, while for those employed but were absent from work or employed but did not start working yet, the information was not provided in the raw data, thus the variable is recoded missing. |
| EMPSSC | Status of employment in the secondary job during the reference period | Detailed description of the employment status (employee, own-account workers, employer, unpaid family worker, etc.) in the secondary job, ideally following the ICSE classification (1993). | See EMPS | Harmonized Categorical variable | 1 Employee 2 Employer 3 Own account, self-employed 4 Contributing (unpaid) family worker 5 Member of producers cooperatives 6 Workers not classifiable by status (Others) 99 Not stated | 1 Wage employee 2 Employer 3 Self employed 4 Unpaid family member Employed INDS aged 10+ for whom pw69 is missing | INDs aged 10+ having a secondary job | A | pw69 | |
| OCCSC | Occupation classification of the secondary job [Standardized version] | Standardized occupation classification of the secondary job. | In many datasets, national classifications are used to code the detailed data collected. In such cases, if the aggregated data is provided by the statistical office, no attempt to correct the original variable is done. | Harmonized Categorical variable | 10 Legislators, senior officials and managers 20 Professionals 30 Technicians and associate professionals 40 Clerks 50 Service workers and shop and market sales workers 60 Skilled agricultural and fishery workers 70 Craft and related trades workers 80 Plant and machine operators and assemblers 90 Elementary occupations 100 Armed Forces 998 Other/unspecified 999 Not stated | 11 thru 14 21 thru 26 31 thru 35 41 thru 44 51 thru 54 61 thru 63 71 thru 75 81 thru 83 91 thru 96 1 thru 3 Employed INDS aged 10+ for whom pw68 is missing | INDs aged 10+ having a secondary job | A | pw68 | |
| OCCSC_ISCO08_2 | Occupation classification of the secondary job [ISCO 2008-2 digits] | Occupation classification of the secondary job, following the 2-digits International Standard Classification of Occupations for the year 2008 (ISCO-08). | | Harmonized Categorical variable | -- ISCO 2008-2 digits coding 9998 Unspecified codes 9999 Not Stated | | INDs aged 10+ having a secondary job | A | pw68 | |
| INDSC | Economic activity classification of the secondary job [Standardized version] | Standardized economic activity classification of the secondary job. | In many datasets, national classifications are used to code the detailed data collected. In such cases, if the aggregated data is provided by the statistical office, no attempt to correct the original variable is done. The category "Wholesale and retail trade" includes the repair activities of motor vehicles and motorcycles. The category "Real estate, administrative, professional and support service activities" includes: Real estate, renting and business activities; professional, scientific and technical activities; in addition to administrative and support service activities. | Harmonized categorical variable | 10 Agriculture, forestry and fishing 20 Mining and quarrying 30 Manufacturing 40 Electricity, gas and water supply 50 Construction 60 Wholesale and retail trade 70 Transportation and storage 80 Accommodation and food service activities 90 Information and communication 100 Financial and insurance activities 110 Real estate, professional and support service activities 120 Public administration and defense 130 Education 140 Human health and social work activities 150 Other activities 998 Unspecified | 1 thru 3 5 thru 9 10 thru 33 35 thru 39 41 thru 43 45 thru 47 49 thru 53 55 thru 56 58 thru 63 64 thru 66 68 thru 82 84 85 86 thru 88 90 thru 99 | INDs aged 10+ having a secondary job | A | pw66 | |

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| | | | | | 999 Not stated | Employed INDS aged 10+ for whom pw66 is missing | | | | |

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| | | | | | | Survey Values and Value Labels | Universe | Key | Var(s) used from the survey | Country specific comments |
| INDSC_ISIC4_2 | Economic activity classification of the secondary job [ISIC Rev.4-2 digits] | Economic activity classification of the secondary job, following the 2-digits International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities, Revision 4 (ISIC Rev.4). | | Harmonized categorical variable | -- ISIC-Rev. 4-2 digits coding 9998 Unspecified codes 9999 Not Stated | | INDs aged 10+ having a secondary job | A | pw66 | |
| SECTORSC | Sector of employment of the secondary job [Standardized version] | Sector of employment (i.e. private versus public sector workers) in the secondary job. | Quasi-public sectors are considered as public. In the case that there is no distinction between Government and Public, in the original survey, we use the classification as provided. Cooperative includes employees in joint ventures. Foreign includes workers in international NGOs. Others includes workers in national NGOs and in private households. | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Government 2 Public sector 3 Private sector 4 Joint/Cooperative 5 Foreign sector 6 Others 99 Not stated | 1 National Government 2 Foreign Government 3 Local authority 7 Private sector 8 Private enterprise 9 Private household 4 International institution 5 UNRWA 6 Nonprofit Organization Employed INDs aged 10+ for whom pw77 is missing | INDs aged 10+ having a secondary job | A | pw77 | |
| SECTORSC_D | Sector of employment of the secondary job [Detailed version] | This variable distinguishes between different types of public and private sectors as well as other types of sectors (foreign, cooperative, etc.). | The classification of those working inside or outside an establishment in different sectors can be further studied using the variable "ESTABSC". | Harmonized categorical variable | 100 Government 110 Government-National 120 Government-Foreign 130 Government-Federal 140 Government-Local 200 Public sector 210 Economic institutions 300 Private sector 310 Private-Investment 320 Private-National 321 Private-National inside establishment 322 Private-National outside establishment 330 Private-Foreign 331 Private-Foreign inside establishment 332 Private-Foreign outside establishment 340 Private-Inside establishment 350 Private-Outside establishment 360 Private-Families 400 Joint/Cooperative 410 Joint 420 Cooperative 430 Joint local sector 440 Joint public and private sector 500 Foreign sector 510 Diplomatic bodies 600 Others 610 Non-governmental organizations 620 Non-profit associations 630 Charitable associations 640 Outside establishment 650 Outside the country 660 UNRWA 999 Not stated | 1 National Government 2 Foreign Government 3 Local authority 7 Private sector 8 Private enterprise 9 Private household 4 International institution 6 Nonprofit Organization 5 UNRWA Employed INDs aged 10+ for whom pw77 is missing | INDs aged 10+ having a secondary job | A | pw77 | |
| WRKPLCSC | Workplace of the secondary job | This variable provides information on the place where the individual actually carries out the secondary job work, whether it is inside or outside an establishment. | See WRKPLC | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 In individual's home 2 In someone else's home 3 In premises adjacent to home 4 In exclusive premises 5 Street vendor with fixed/semi-fixed location 6 Street vendor with mobile location 7 Kiosk/hut 8 Transportation vehicle 9 Construction site 10 Agriculture land/maritime area 90 Others 99 Not stated | | INDs aged ...+ having a secondary job | / | | |

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| TENURESC | Tenure in the secondary job | Duration of time worked in secondary job. | | Semi-standardized continuous variable when information is provided in continuous years | | | INDs aged ...+ having a secondary job | / | | |
| EMPSTABSC | Employment stability in the secondary job | This variable indicates whether the employed individual is engaged in a regular or an irregular job. | | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Full time/Regular 2 Part time/Temporary 3 Seasonal/Irregular 99 Not stated | | INDs aged ...+ having a secondary job | / | | |
| EMPCONTSC | Employment contract in the secondary job | This variable should indicate whether the individual has an explicit (written or oral) or an implicit employment contract. | See EMPCONT | Harmonized categorical variable | 100 Yes 110 Officially hired 120 Written contract for an unlimited duration 130 Written contract for a limited duration 140 Collective agreement 150 Verbal agreement 200 No contract 999 Not stated | 2 Yes- written for unlimited period 1 Yes- written for limited period 4 Yes- Verbal agreement 5 No | INDs aged 10+ having a secondary job | A | pw70 | In the raw data, variable pw70 is provided for employees only, while for the employers and self-employed, the data is not collected. |
| ESTABSC | Working in an establishment at the secondary job | This variable indicates whether the individual is working in an establishment in his/her secondary job. | | Dummy variable | 0 No 1 Yes 99 Not stated | All other employed individuals having in secondary job for whom pw78=Sysmis pw78=1 or 2 or 3 Employed INDs aged 10+ for whom pw78 is missing | INDs aged 10+ having a secondary job | A | pw78 | The variable was generated using the original variable indicating if the establishment of secondary job is registered in tax administration assuming that all who have responded to this variable are those working in an establishment. |

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| | | | | | | Survey Values and Value Labels | Universe | Key | Var(s) used from the survey | Country specific comments |
| ESTTAXSC | Establishment registered in tax administration | This variable indicates whether the enterprise where the individual works is registered in a tax administration. | The enterprises which are still in the process of being registered are coded "1"- yes. | Dummy variable | 0 No | 2 No | INDs aged 10+ having a secondary job in establishment | A | pw78 | |
| | | | | | 1 Yes | 1 Yes | | | | |
| | | | | | 99 Not stated | 3 Don't know INDs aged 10+ having a secondary job in establishment for whom pw78 is missing | | | | |
| NUMWRKSC | Number of workers in the secondary job establishment | This variable indicates the number of workers in the enterprise/establishment in which the respondent is employed in his/her secondary job. | See NUMWRK | Categorical variable | 100 1 thru 9 | | Employed in establishment INDs aged 10+ | A | pw80 | |
| | | | | | 110 1 | 1 Only one | | | | |
| | | | | | 120 1 thru 4 | | | | | |
| | | | | | 130 2 thru 4 | 2 2-4 | | | | |
| | | | | | 140 5 thru 9 | 3 5-9 | | | | |
| | | | | | 200 10 thru 49 | | | | | |
| | | | | | 210 10 thru 19 | 4 10-19 | | | | |
| | | | | | 220 20+ | 5 20+ | | | | |
| | | | | | 230 10 thru 24 | | | | | |
| | | | | | 240 25 thru 49 | | | | | |
| | | | | | 300 50 thru 99 | | | | | |
| | | | | | 400 100+ | | | | | |
| | 999 Not stated | Employed in establishment INDs aged 10+ for whom pw80 is missing | | | | | | | | |
| HRSWKSC | Total weekly working hours in the secondary job | This variable reports the total number of hours the individual usually works during the week on his/her secondary job. | See HRSWK | Continuous variable | | | INDs aged 10+ having a secondary job | A | pw62 | |
| DAYMNTHSC | Total number of working days per month in the secondary job | The total number of days usually worked during a month on the secondary job. | | Continuous variable | | | INDs aged ...+ having a secondary job | / | | |
| WKMNTHSC | Total number of working weeks per month in the secondary job | The total number of weeks usually worked during a month on the secondary job. | | Continuous variable | | | INDs aged ...+ having a secondary job | / | | |

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| FILE LEVEL: INDIVIDUAL | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: PREVIOUSLY EMPLOYED FOR AT LEAST 2 WEEKS | | | | | | This section provides information on the employment characteristics of the previous/last held job for all individuals who have previously been employed, whether employed, unemployed or inactive at the time of the survey. | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: WITHIN LESS THAN 12 MONTHS OF THE INTERVIEW | | | | | | For the employed individuals, the last held job is the job preceding the present one (and is denoted previous job). | | | | |
| CATEGORY: LAST HELD JOB CHARACTERISTICS | | | | | | All individuals for whom a "not stated" status is reported in any of the variables are those within the variable universe but whose information was not provided in the original data. | | | | |
| PRVWRK | Previously worked during the reference period | This variable should identify those who have previously been employed for pay or for profit for a continuous period of time. | This information is provided for all individuals in the working-age population to identify those who have previously experienced any employment during the reference period. In many surveys, the data is not collected for employed individuals, in such cases they are recoded "1". | Harmonized categorical variable | 0 Never worked during the reference period | pw25=2 Yes- More than 1 year and less than 3 years pw25=3 Never worked before | INDS aged 10+ | A | pw01 pw02 pw03 pw04 pw18 pw25 | Data on previous job is only collected for employed but temporary unpaid, employed but temporary absent from work, unemployed and inactive individuals indicating last held job characteristics. No data on previous job for the rest of the employed individuals is provided. Those who reported previous work experience during more than 1 year preceding the survey were recoded "0" indicating that they never worked during the reference period. |
| | | | | | 1 Employed but previous job is not reported | pw01=1 or pw02=1 or pw03=1 | | | | |
| | | | | | 2 Employed & reported a previous job | pw25=1 Yes, during last 12 months & pw03=1 & pw04=6-9 Absent from work pw03=1 & pw04=2 Ill pw03=1 & pw04=1 or 3 Vacation/Maternity leave pw03=1 & pw04=5 Temporary stoppage pw03=1 & pw04=4 Strike/Closure/Curfew pw18=2 Waiting for work season pw18=8 Arrangement was taken to start self-employment pw18=11 Found/established a job which starts later | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Not working & reported a last held job | pw25=1 Yes, during last 12 months & Unemployed or inactive | | | | |
| EMSPRV | Status of employment in the previous/last held job | Detailed description of the employment status (employee, own-account workers, employer, unpaid family worker, etc.) in the previous/last held job, ideally following the ICSE classification (1993). | See EMPS | Harmonized Categorical variable | 1 Employee | | Ever-employed and reported a previous job INDS aged ...+ | / | | |
| | | | | | 2 Employer | | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Own account, self-employed | | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Contributing (unpaid) family workers | | | | | |
| | | | | | 5 Member of producers cooperatives | | | | | |
| | | | | | 6 Workers not classifiable by status (other) | | | | | |
| | | | | | 99 Not stated | | | | | |
| OCCPRV | Occupation classification of the previous/last held job [Standardized version] | Standardized occupation classification of the previous/last held job. | In many datasets, national classifications are used to code the detailed data collected. In such cases, if the aggregated data is provided by the statistical office, no attempt to correct the original variable is done. | Harmonized Categorical variable | 10 Legislators, senior officials and managers | 11 thru 14 | Ever-employed and reported a previous job INDS aged 10+ | A | pw39 | |
| | | | | | 20 Professionals | 21 thru 26 | | | | |
| | | | | | 30 Technicians and associate professionals | 31 thru 35 | | | | |
| | | | | | 40 Clerks | 41 thru 44 | | | | |
| | | | | | 50 Service workers and shop and market sales workers | 51 thru 54 | | | | |
| | | | | | 60 Skilled agricultural and fishery workers | 61 thru 63 | | | | |
| | | | | | 70 Craft and related trades workers | 71 thru 75 | | | | |
| | | | | | 80 Plant and machine operators and assemblers | 81 thru 83 | | | | |
| | | | | | 90 Elementary occupations | 91 thru 96 | | | | |
| | | | | | 100 Armed Forces | 1 thru 3 | | | | |
| | | | | | 998 Other/unspecified | | | | | |
| OCCPRV_ISCO08_2 | Occupation classification of the previous/last held job [ISCO 2008-2 digits] | Occupation classification of the previous/last held job, following the 2-digits International Standard Classification of Occupations for the year 2008 (ISCO-88). | | Harmonized Categorical variable | -- ISCO 2008-2 digits coding | | Ever-employed and reported a previous job INDS aged 10+ | A | pw39 | |
| | | | | | 9998 Unspecified codes | | | | | |
| INDPRV | Economic activity classification of the previous/last held job [Standardized version] | Standardized economic activity classification of the previous/last held job. | In many datasets, national classifications are used to code the detailed data collected. In such cases, if the aggregated data is provided by the statistical office, no attempt to correct the original variable is done. The category "Wholesale and retail trade" includes the repair activities of motor vehicles and motorcycles. The category "Real estate, administrative, professional and support service activities" includes: Real estate, renting and business activities; professional, scientific and technical activities; in addition to administrative and support service activities. | Harmonized categorical variable | 10 Agriculture, forestry and fishing | 1 thru 3 | Ever-employed and reported a previous job INDS aged 10+ | A | pw37 | |
| | | | | | 20 Mining and quarrying | 5 thru 9 | | | | |
| | | | | | 30 Manufacturing | 10 thru 33 | | | | |
| | | | | | 40 Electricity, gas and water supply | 35 thru 39 | | | | |
| | | | | | 50 Construction | 41 thru 43 | | | | |
| | | | | | 60 Wholesale and retail trade | 45 thru 47 | | | | |
| | | | | | 70 Transportation and storage | 49 thru 53 | | | | |
| | | | | | 80 Accommodation and food service activities | 55 thru 56 | | | | |
| | | | | | 90 Information and communication | 58 thru 63 | | | | |
| | | | | | 100 Financial and insurance activities | 64 thru 66 | | | | |
| | | | | | 110 Real estate, professional and support service activities | 68 thru 82 | | | | |
| | | | | | 120 Public administration and defense | 84 | | | | |
| | | | | | 130 Education | 85 | | | | |
| | | | | | 140 Human health and social work activities | 86 thru 88 | | | | |
| | | | | | 150 Other activities | 90 thru 99 | | | | |
| | | | | | 998 Unspecified | | | | | |
| | | | | | 999 Not stated | Employed INDS aged 10+ for whom pw37 is missing | | | | |

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| INDPRV_ISIC4_2 | Economic activity classification of the previous/last held job [ISIC Rev.4-2 digits] | Economic activity classification of the previous/last held job, following the 2-digits International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities, Revision 4 (ISIC Rev.4). | | Harmonized categorical variable | -- ISIC-Rev. 4-2 digits coding 9998 Unspecified codes 9999 Not Stated | | Ever-employed and reported a previous job INDs aged 10+ | A | pw37 | |

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| | | | | | | Survey Values and Value Labels | Universe | Key | Var(s) used from the survey | Country specific comments |
| SECTORPRV | Sector of employment of the previous/last held job [Standardized version] | Sector of employment (i.e. private versus public sector workers) in the previous/last held job. | Quasi-public sectors are considered as public. In the case that there is no distinction between Government and Public, in the original survey, we use the classification as provided. Cooperative includes employees in joint ventures. Foreign includes workers in international NGOs. Others includes workers in national NGOs and in private households. | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Government 2 Public sector 3 Private sector 4 Joint/Cooperative 5 Foreign sector 6 Others 99 Not stated | | Ever-employed and reported a previous job INDs aged ...+ | / | | |
| SECTORPRV_D | Sector of employment of the previous/last held job [Detailed version] | This variable distinguishes between different types of public and private sectors as well as other types of sectors (foreign, cooperative, etc.). | | Harmonized categorical variable | 100 Government 110 Government-National 120 Government-Foreign 130 Government-Federal 140 Government-Local 200 Public sector 210 Economic institutions 300 Private sector 310 Private investment 320 Private-National 321 Private-National inside establishment 322 Private-National outside establishment 330 Private-Foreign 331 Private-Foreign inside establishment 332 Private-Foreign outside establishment 340 Private-Inside establishment 350 Private-Outside establishment 360 Private-Families 400 Joint/Cooperative 410 Joint 420 Cooperative 430 Joint local sector 440 Joint public and private sector 500 Foreign sector 510 Diplomatic bodies 600 Others 610 Non-governmental organizations 620 Non-profit associations 630 Charitable associations 640 Outside establishment 650 Outside the country 660 UNRWA 999 Not stated | | Ever-employed and reported a previous job INDs aged ...+ | / | | |
| LVPRVJ_R | Reason for leaving the previous/last held job | This variable indicates the main reason for which a previously employed individual had stopped working in the previous/last held job. | Work conditions may include inappropriate work location, inappropriate working hours, mismatch between occupation and qualifications, etc. | Harmonized Categorical variable | 1 Permanent/Temporary lay-off 2 Employer/Self-employed activity stoppage 3 Job contract ended 4 Resignation 5 Full-time education 6 Personal/Family conditions 7 Retirement 8 Illness or disability 9 Military services 10 Work conditions 90 Others 99 Not stated | | Ever-employed and reported a previous job INDs aged ...+ | / | | |

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| | | | | | | Survey Values and Value Labels | Universe | Key | Var(s) used from the survey | Country specific comments |
| FILE LEVEL: INDIVIDUAL IDEAL UNIVERSE: UNEMPLOYED IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: WITHIN 3 MONTHS OF THE INTERVIEW CATEGORY: UNEMPLOYMENT CHARACTERISTICS | | | | | | | | | | |
| All individuals for whom a "not stated" status is reported in any of the variables are those within the variable universe but whose information was not provided in the original data. | | | | | | | | | | |
| UNEMPDUR | Unemployment duration in months | The variable reports the number of months during which the unemployed individual had stayed without work since graduation or since he/she left the last held job. | | Continuous variable | xxx Unemployment duration in months | | Unemployed INDs aged 10+ | A | pw20 pw26 | For whom the unemployment duration was not reported, the job search duration was assumed to be the unemployment duration since which the person has left his last held job |
| SRCHACT_X | Seeking a job by ...x | This set of dummy variables should indicate the activity(ies) undertaken by the unemployed in their search efforts to find a job during the reference period. <i>X denotes the search activity.</i> | "Searching for a private project" includes searching for a land, premises, machinery, supplies, farming inputs, etc. "Online search" includes placing or updating the résumé on professional or social networking sites. "Applying directly to the employer" includes checking worksites, farms, factories or other assembly places. | Dummy variables (0 No, 1 Yes) | X=1 Registering with government offices or ministries X=2 Registering with a public or private employment service X=3 Participating in employment competitions X=4 Arranging for financial resources, and applying for permits and licenses X=5 Searching for a private project X=6 Seeking the assistance of friends, relatives or other intermediaries X=7 Applying directly to the employer X=8 Reading/watching and responding to advertisements in newspapers or TV X=9 Online job searching X=10 Waiting in a gathering place X=90 Others not elsewhere classified | 1 Registered at employment office 5 Took a test or interview 8 Sought finance for a business 10 Applied for permit or license 9 Looked for a business 6 Asked friends, relatives 4 Checked with employers 2 Placed or answered job ads 3 Use internet 7 Waited at market places 11 Other 12 Did nothing | Unemployed INDs aged 10+ | A | pw17 | For those who are reported unemployed but do not seek for a job in the main activity status (MAS_D=232, 233, 234), no data for search activity was collected, thus all the harmonized variables for those cases were reported missing. |
| SRCHDUR | Job search duration in months | The variable reports the number of months during which the unemployed individual has been searching for a job. | The period of search reported should be the last continuous period of active search without significant interruption (significant may imply active search efforts for a continuous period of at least four weeks). | Continuous variable | xxx Search duration in months | | Unemployed INDs aged 10+ | A | pw20 | |
| GVUPJ | Ever refused a job opportunity during the job searching period | This variable identifies individuals who have previously refused a job opportunity during the job searching period. | | Dummy variable | 0 No 1 Yes | | Unemployed INDs aged ...+ | / | | |
| GVUPJ_R | Reason for refusing a job opportunity during the job searching period | This variable indicates the main reason for which the individual has given up a job opportunity during the job searching period. | | Harmonized Categorical variable | 1 Low wage 2 Distance to workplace 3 Work nature 4 Over qualified for the job 5 Waiting to find a better job opportunity 6 Work conditions 90 Others 99 Not stated | | Unemployed INDs aged ...+ ever given up a job opportunity | / | | |

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| FILE LEVEL: INDIVIDUAL | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL UNIVERSE: INACTIVE INDIVIDUALS | | | | | | | | | | |
| IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: WITHIN 4 WEEKS OF THE INTERVIEW | | | | | | | | | | |
| CATEGORY: INACTIVITY REASON(S) | | | | | | | | | | |
| NOTSRCH_R | Reason for not seeking a job during the reference period | For the "inactive" in the working age population, this variable should identify the main reason for which the individual is not searching for a job. | All reasons are provided by the inactive individuals who are not working nor seeking a job because of discouragement or due to any of the known reasons of inactivity. | Harmonized categorical variable | 1 Failed to find a suitable job | 13 Unable to find work | Inactive INDs aged 10+ | A | pw18 | |
| | | | | | 2 Lack of experience/qualifications | 12 Lack of the necessary qualification, training or experience | | | | |
| | | | | | 3 Lack of jobs matching personal skills or occupation | | | | | |
| | | | | | 4 Lack of jobs with suitable wages | 5 Low wages | | | | |
| | | | | | 5 Considered too young or too old by prospective employers | 9 Too young or too old to work | | | | |
| | | | | | 6 Race/sex/religion discrimination | | | | | |
| | | | | | 7 Lack of infrastructure (assets roads/transportations) | | | | | |
| | | | | | 8 Lack of employment services | | | | | |
| | | | | | 9 Lack of social relationships | | | | | |
| | | | | | 10 Refusal by family | 18 The household do not permit to work | | | | |
| | | | | | 11 Do not know effective ways for job searching | | | | | |
| | | | | | 12 Believed that no suitable job exists | | | | | |
| | | | | | 13 No jobs are available | 16 No jobs available in the area | | | | |
| | | | | | 14 Tired of looking for work | | | | | |
| | | | | | 15 Full time student | 3 Studying/ training | | | | |
| | | | | | 16 Homemaker/housewife | 4 Family responsibilities | | | | |
| | | | | | 17 Pensioners/retired/disabled | 14 Retirement | | | | |
| | | | | | 18 Have income/revenue/means | 15 The existence of revenue | | | | |
| | | | | | 90 Others not elsewhere classified reasons | 17 No need to work | | | | |
| | | | | | 99 Not stated | 19 Other | | | | |
| | Inactive INDs aged 10+ for whom pw18 is missing | | | | | | | | | |