

Data Dictionary (Version 1) Palestine, 2016

Harmonized Labor Force Surveys (HLFS)



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Important notes:
- 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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FILE LEVEL: ALL IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL OBSERVATIONS (HOUSEHOLDS/INDIVIDUALS) CATEGORY: FILE IDENTIFICATION AND INFORMATION										
The variables in this section exist in both the household and the individual data files.										
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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FILE LEVEL: ALL										
IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL OBSERVATIONS (HOUSEHOLDS/INDIVIDUALS)			The variables in this section exist in both the household and the individual data files.							
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	2 Rural	All HHs/ All INDs	A	id7	
					1 Urban	1 Urban				
					2 Refugee camps	3 Camp				

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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	sex age pw01 pw02 pw03 pw04 pw19 pw20 pw21	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		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	1 Male	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).		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	1 Never married 2 Married monogamous 3 Married polygamous 4 Divorced/Separated 5 Widowed 99 Not stated	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]	Legal administrative status concerning marriage (detailed version of coding).		Harmonized Categorical variable		Structured the same as MART_D	Heads aged 12+	A		
NATHD	Ethnicity/nationality of the head [Standardized version]	Ethnicity or nationality.	See ETHNAT	Categorical variable	0 Non-citizen	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.		1 Citizen 99 Not stated		All Spouses			
NATHD_D	Ethnicity/nationality of the head [Detailed version]		Ethnicity or nationality (detailed version of coding).		See ETHNAT_D		Harmonized Categorical variable			
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	1 Immigrant (from abroad)	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.		2 Migrant (from another region inside the country)					
					3 No		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	0 No	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.		1 Yes		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+			
					99 Not stated					
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	
					2 Primary/Lower secondary					
					3 Secondary					
					4 Post secondary or equivalent					
					5 University					
					6 Postgraduate					
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.		99 Not stated		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		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.				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	
					2 Unemployed					
					3 Homemaker (Housewife)					
					4 Student					
					5 Pensioners/retired/disabled					
					6 Others					
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.		99 Not stated		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		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.				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.
					2 Employer					
					3 Own account, self-employed					
					4 Contributing (unpaid) family workers					
					5 Member of producers cooperatives					
					6 Workers not classifiable by status (other)					
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.		99 Not stated		Employed Spouses aged 10+			

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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	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.
					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					
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).		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]		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.				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	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.
					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					
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).		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]		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.				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	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.
					2 Public sector					
					3 Private sector					
					4 Joint/Cooperative					
					5 Foreign sector					
					6 Other					
					99 Not stated					
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		Employed Spouses aged 10+			
					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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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		All HHs	/											
					1 Collective														
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		All HHs	/											
					2 Villa														
					3 Apartment														
					4 Others														
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		All HHs	/											
					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														
DWLTEN	Tenure of dwelling [Standardized version]	Type of tenure.	This variable distinguishes between owned or rented living quarters.	Harmonized categorical variable	1 Rented		All HHs	/											
					2 Owned														
					3 Provided free														
					4 Others														
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		All HHs	/											
					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														
					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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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		All HHs	/		
					1 Electricity					
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		All HHs	/		
					1 Public network					
					2 Private					
					3 Gas					
					4 Kerosene					
					8 Others					
SCOOK	Source of energy for cooking	This variable distinguishes between different sources of energy used for cooking.		Harmonized categorical variable	0 No cooking		All HHs	/		
					1 Electricity					
					2 Gas					
					3 Kerosene					
					4 Wood & coal					
					8 Others					
SHEAT	Source of energy for heating	This variable distinguishes between different sources of energy used for heating.		Harmonized categorical variable	0 No heating		All HHs	/		
					1 Electricity					
					2 Gas					
					3 Kerosene					
					4 Wood & coal					
					8 Others					
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		All HHs	/		
					2 Public tap					
					3 Well					
					4 Tanker					
					8 Others					
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		All HHs	/		
					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					
SEWAGE	Sewage Facility	This variable should indicate the type of household connection to sewage facility.		Harmonized categorical variable	0 No sewage facility		All HHs	/		
					1 Public network					
					2 Private network					
					3 Septic tank					
					4 Pit or latrine					
					5 Other					

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TOIF	Toilet facility	This variable should indicate whether the household has access to a toilet facility.		Dummy variable	0 No		All HHs	/		
					1 Yes					
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		All HHs	/		
					2 Shared toilet					
					3 No toilet facility					
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		All HHs	/		
					2 Shared bath					
					3 No bath facility					
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		All HHs	/		
					2 Shared kitchen					
					3 No kitchen facility					

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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		All HHs	/		
					1 One or more					
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		All HHs	/		
					1 One or more					
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		All HHs	/		
					1 One or more					
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		All HHs	/		
					1 One or more					
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		All HHs	/		
					1 One or more					
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		All HHs	/		
					1 One or more					
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		All HHs	/		
					1 One or more					
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		All HHs	/		
					1 One or more					
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		All HHs	/		
					1 One or more					
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		All HHs	/		
					1 One or more					
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		All HHs	/		
					1 One or more					
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		All HHs	/		
					1 One or more					
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		All HHs	/		
					1 One or more					
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		All HHs	/		
					1 One or more					
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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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 IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL INDIVIDUALS 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	1 Male	All INDs	A	sex	
					2 Female	2 Female				
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	1 Never married	INDs aged 12+	A	maritals	
					2 Married monogamous	2 Married				
					3 Married polygamous	2 Married heads if no. of spouses>1				
					4 Divorced/Separated	3 Other if age<60				
					5 Widowed	3 Other if age>=60				
					99 Not stated	INDS aged 12+ for whom marital status is missing				
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	1 Never married	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.
					200 Married monogamous	2 Married				
					210 Legally married					
					220 Married					
					300 Married polygamous	2 Married heads if no. of spouses>1				
					400 Divorced/Separated	3 Other if age<60				
					410 Separated					
					420 Divorced					
					500 Widowed	3 Other if age>=60				
					999 Not stated	INDS aged 12+ for whom marital status is missing				
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	1 Head of household	All INDs	A	hr4	
					2 Spouse	2 spouse				
					3 Son/daughter	3 Son/daughter				
					4 Father/mother (parents)	4 Father/mother (parent)				
					5 Brother/sister	5 Brother/sister				
					6 Grandchildren	7 Grandchild				
					7 Other relatives	6 Grand father/mother 8 Son/daughter in law 9 Other relatives				
					8 Other non-relatives	10 Others				
					REL_D	Relationship to head [Detailed version]				
200 Spouse	2 spouse									
300 Son/daughter	3 Son/daughter									
310 Adopted children										
400 Father/mother (parents)	4 Father/mother (parent)									
500 Brother/sister	5 Brother/sister									
600 Grandchildren	7 Grandchild									
700 Other relatives	9 Other relatives									
710 Son/daughter in law	8 Son/daughter in law									
720 Grandparents	6 Grand father/mother									
730 Father/mother in law										
740 Brother/sister in law										
750 Nephew/niece										
800 Other non-relatives	10 Others									
810 Servants										
820 Doorkeeper										
830 Driver										
840 Shepherd										
850 Farmer										

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FILE LEVEL: INDIVIDUAL IDEAL UNIVERSE: ALL INDIVIDUALS IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: AT THE TIME OF THE INTERVIEW CATEGORY: NATIONALITY AND IMMIGRATION										
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		All INDs	/		
					1 Citizen					
					99 Not stated					
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)		All INDs	/		
					2 Migrant (from another region inside the country)					
					3 No					
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		All INDs	/		
					1 Yes					
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		INDs who changed their place of residence	/		
					20 Study					
					30 Marriage					
					40 Divorce/Widowhood					
					50 Accompany					
					60 Immigration					
					90 Others					
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		INDs who have moved from their place of birth	/		
					1 Yes					
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						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 REFERENCE PERIOD: AT THE TIME OF THE INTERVIEW						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.				
CATEGORY: EDUCATION										
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 Illiterate	INDs aged 10+	A	edu_qual	
					1 Can read & write	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.				
					99 Not stated	INDS aged 10+ for whom edu_qual is missing				
EVERATTD	Ever attended school	This variable indicates whether the individual has ever attended school - academic, <i>Koranic</i> , 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	4 Never attended	INDs aged 10+	A	attend	
					1 Yes	1 Yes, currently attending 2 attended and graduated 3 attended and dropped				
					99 Not stated	INDS aged 10+ for whom attend is missing				
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	2 attended and graduated 3 attended and dropped 4 Never attended	INDs aged 10+	A	attend	
					1 Yes	1 Yes, currently attending				
					99 Not stated	INDS aged 10+ for whom attend is missing				
TYPSCCH	Type of school attended	Type of school attended by the individual.		Harmonized categorical variable	1 <i>Koranic</i> 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.	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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).</p> <p>This is country specific - not all countries require the same number of school years to complete a given level.</p> <p>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).</p> <p>"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.</p> <p>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</p>	Harmonized categorical variable	1 None	1 Illiterate 2 Can read and write	INDs aged 10+	A	edu_qual	
					2 Primary/Lower secondary	3 Primary 4 Preparatory				
					3 Secondary	5 Secondary				
					4 Post secondary or equivalent	6 Intermediate diploma				
					5 University	7 Bachlor degree				
					6 Postgraduate	8 High Diploma 9 Masters 10 Ph.D.				
					99 Not stated	INDS aged 10+ for whom edu_qual is missing				
EDUC_D	Educational level [Detailed version]	Highest level of education attained (detailed version of coding).		Harmonized categorical variable	100 None		INDs aged 10+	A	edu_qual	
					110 Illiterate	1 Illiterate				
					120 Read only					
					130 Read & write	2 Can read and write				
					140 Literacy classes/certificate					
					150 Never attended school					
					160 KG					
					170 Koranic KG (Kouttab)					
					180 Attending elementary school and did not complete first level					
					200 Primary /Lower secondary					
					210 Primary	3 Primary				
					220 Preparatory	4 Preparatory				
					230 Lower secondary					
					240 Professional/Vocational below secondary education					
					300 Secondary	5 Secondary				
					310 Academic secondary					
					320 Professional/Vocational secondary					
					400 Post secondary or equivalent	6 Intermediate diploma				
					500 University	7 Bachelor degree				
					600 Postgraduate					
					610 High diploma	8 High Diploma				
					620 Masters	9 Masters Degree				
					630 PhD	10 Ph.D.				
					999 Not stated	INDS aged 10+ for whom edu_qual is missing				
CERTIF	Certificate specialization	This variable provides information on the specialization of the highest certificate attained.	<p>This variable usually follows a country specific coding classification. Therefore, it is not harmonized across countries, and in some datasets across years.</p> <p>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.</p>	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 is variable should indicate the total number of years of formal schooling successfully completed	<p>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.</p> <p>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</p>	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 <i>Koranic</i>					
					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 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 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 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	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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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+		pw01 pw02 pw03 pw04 pw16 pw18 pw25	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.
					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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FILE LEVEL: INDIVIDUAL										
IDEAL UNIVERSE: EMPLOYED			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 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]	Occupation classification of the main 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		Employed INDS aged 10+	A	pw39	
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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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	1 National Government 2 Foreign Government 3 Local authority	Employed INDs aged 10+	A	pw50	
					2 Public sector					
					3 Private sector	7 Private sector 8 Private enterprise 9 Private household				
					4 Joint/Cooperative					
					5 Foreign sector	4 International institution				
					6 Others	5 UNRWA 6 Nonprofit Organization				
					99 Not stated	Employed INDs aged 10+ for whom pw50 is missing				
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		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.
					110 Government-National	1 National Government				
					120 Government-Foreign	2 Foreign Government				
					130 Government-Federal					
					140 Government-Local	3 Local authority				
					200 Public sector					
					210 Economic institutions					
					300 Private sector	7 Private sector				
					310 Private-Investment	8 Private enterprise				
					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	9 Private household				
					400 Joint/Cooperative					
					410 Joint					
					420 Cooperative					
					430 Joint local sector					
					440 Joint public and private sector					
					500 Foreign sector	4 International institution				
					510 Diplomatic bodies					
					600 Others					
					610 Non-governmental organizations					
					620 Non-profit associations	6 Nonprofit Organization				
					630 Charitable associations					
					640 Outside establishment					
					650 Outside the country					
					660 UNRWA	5 UNRWA				
					999 Not stated	Employed INDs aged 10+ for whom pw50 is missing				
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		Employed INDs aged ...+	/		
					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					

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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 Country (UN 3 digits) + Work place codes 777777 Working abroad 888888 Mobile workers 999999 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	1 Full time/regular	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.
					2 Part time/Temporary	2 Part time				
					3 Seasonal/Irregular	3 Seasonal/casual, occasional				
					99 Not stated	Employed INDs aged 10+ for whom pw81 is missing				
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		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.
					110 Officially hired					
					120 Written contract for an unlimited duration	2 Yes- written for unlimited period				
					130 Written contract for a limited duration	1 Yes- written for limited period				
					140 Collective agreement					
					150 Verbal agreement	4 Yes- Verbal agreement				
					200 No contract	5 No				
					999 Not stated	Employed INDs aged 10+ for whom pw41 is missing				
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	pw42=1 (Yes)	Employed INDs aged 10+	A	pw42 pw43 pw44 pw45	
					X=2 Leave in-lieu/paid annual leave	pw43=1 (Yes)				
					X=3 Paid sick leave	pw44=1 (Yes)				
					X=4 Paid maternity vacation (women only)	pw45=1 (Yes)				
					X=90 Others					
HLTHINS	Has health insurance	This variable indicates whether the employed individual has health insurance.		Dummy variable	0 No	pw471=0 And pw472=0 And pw473=0	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.
					1 Yes	pw471=1 Or pw472=1 Or pw473=1				
					99 Not stated	Employed INDs aged 10+ for whom pw471, pw472 and pw473 are missing				
SOCSEC	Has social security coverage	This variable indicates whether the employed individual is covered by a social security/insurance system.		Dummy variable	0 No		Employed INDs aged ...+	/		
					1 Yes					
					99 Not stated					
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	2 No	Employed INDs aged 10+	A	pw56	
					1 Yes	1 Yes				
					99 Not stated	Employed INDs aged 10+ for whom pw56 is missing				

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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		Employed in establishment INDs aged 10+	A	pw54	
					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 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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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. A check for outliers is necessary before conducting any analysis on the wages/incomes variables. Extreme cases were detected in the original variables; however, the appropriate method to deal with it was left to the user's judgment.							
IDEAL UNIVERSE: EMPLOYED HAVING A MAIN JOB										
IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: WITHIN 7 DAYS OF THE INTERVIEW										
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	2 No	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.
					1 Yes	1 Yes				
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	1 Wage employee	INDs aged 10+ having a secondary job	A	pw69	
					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 pw69 is missing				
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	11 thru 14	INDs aged 10+ having a secondary job	A	pw68	
					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 pw68 is missing				
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	1 thru 3	INDs aged 10+ having a secondary job	A	pw66	
					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				
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					130 Education	85				
					140 Human health and social work activities	86 thru 88				
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					998 Unspecified					

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

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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	1 National Government 2 Foreign Government 3 Local authority	INDs aged 10+ having a secondary job	A	pw77	
					2 Public sector					
					3 Private sector	7 Private sector 8 Private enterprise 9 Private household				
					4 Joint/Cooperative					
					5 Foreign sector	4 International institution				
					6 Others	5 UNRWA 6 Nonprofit Organization				
					99 Not stated	Employed INDs aged 10+ for whom pw77 is missing				
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		INDs aged 10+ having a secondary job	A	pw77	
					110 Government-National	1 National Government				
					120 Government-Foreign	2 Foreign Government				
					130 Government-Federal					
					140 Government-Local	3 Local authority				
					200 Public sector					
					210 Economic institutions					
					300 Private sector	7 Private sector				
					310 Private-Investment	8 Private enterprise				
					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	9 Private household				
					400 Joint/Cooperative					
					410 Joint					
					420 Cooperative					
					430 Joint local sector					
					440 Joint public and private sector					
					500 Foreign sector	4 International institution				
					510 Diplomatic bodies					
					600 Others					
					610 Non-governmental organizations					
					620 Non-profit associations	6 Nonprofit Organization				
					630 Charitable associations					
					640 Outside establishment					
					650 Outside the country					
					660 UNRWA	5 UNRWA				
					999 Not stated	Employed INDs aged 10+ for whom pw77 is missing				
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		INDs aged ...+ having a secondary job	/		
					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					

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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		INDs aged ...+ having a secondary job	/		
					2 Part time/Temporary					
					3 Seasonal/Irregular					
					99 Not stated					
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		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.
					110 Officially hired					
					120 Written contract for an unlimited duration	2 Yes- written for unlimited period				
					130 Written contract for a limited duration	1 Yes- written for limited period				
					140 Collective agreement					
					150 Verbal agreement	4 Yes- Verbal agreement				
					200 No contract	5 No				
					999 Not stated	INDs aged 10+ having a secondary job for whom pw70 is missing				
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	All other employed individuals having in secondary job for whom pw78=Sysmis	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.
					1 Yes	pw78=1 or 2 or 3				
					99 Not stated	Employed INDs aged 10+ for whom pw78 is missing				

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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						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. For the employed individuals, the last held job is the job preceding the present one (and is denoted previous 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.				
IDEAL UNIVERSE: PREVIOUSLY EMPLOYED FOR AT LEAST 2 WEEKS										
IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: WITHIN LESS THAN 12 MONTHS OF THE INTERVIEW										
CATEGORY: LAST HELD JOB CHARACTERISTICS										
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				
EMPSPRV	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					
					999 Not stated	Employed INDS aged 10+ for whom pw39 is missing				
					OCCPRV_ISCO08_2	Occupation classification of the previous/last held job [ISCO 2008-2 digits]				
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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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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FILE LEVEL: INDIVIDUAL										
IDEAL UNIVERSE: UNEMPLOYED										
IDEAL REFERENCE PERIOD: WITHIN 3 MONTHS OF THE INTERVIEW										
CATEGORY: UNEMPLOYMENT CHARACTERISTICS										
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 unemploument 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		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.
					X=2 Registering with a public or private employment service	1 Registered at employment office				
					X=3 Participating in employment competitions	5 Took a test or interview				
					X=4 Arranging for financial resources, and applying for permits and licenses	8 Sought finance for a business 10 Applied for permit or license				
					X=5 Searching for a private project	9 Looked for a business				
					X=6 Seeking the assistance of friends, relatives or other intermediaries	6 Asked friends, relatives				
					X=7 Applying directly to the employer	4 Checked with employers				
					X=8 Reading/watching and responding to advertisements in newspapers or TV	2 Placed or answered job ads				
					X=9 Online job searching	3 Use internet				
					X=10 Waiting in a gathering place	7 Waited at market places				
					X=90 Others not elsewhere classified	11 Other 12 Did nothing				
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		Unemployed INDs aged ...+	/		
					1 Yes					
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		Unemployed INDs aged ...+ ever given up a job opportunity	/		
					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					

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FILE LEVEL: INDIVIDUAL										
IDEAL UNIVERSE: INACTIVE INDIVIDUALS			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 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				
						19 Other				
					99 Not stated	Inactive INDs aged 10+ for whom pw18 is missing				