

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1721 of 17 November 2020 specifying technical items of data sets of the sample survey in the income and living conditions domain on health and quality of life pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2019/1700 of the European Parliament and of the Council (Text with EEA relevance)

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2020/1721

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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2019/1700 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 October 2019 establishing a common framework for European statistics relating to persons and households, based on data at individual level collected from samples, amending Regulations (EC) No 808/2004, (EC) No 452/2008 and (EC) No 1338/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1177/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Regulation (EC) No 577/98⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 7(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) To ensure the accurate implementation of the sample survey as regards the living conditions domain, the Commission should specify the technical items of the data set.
- (2) The EU statistics on income and living conditions survey ('EU-SILC survey') is a key instrument for providing information required by the European Semester and the European Pillar of Social Rights, in particular on income distribution, poverty and social exclusion. It also provides information on health care, health determinants, health status and disability from the three yearly module on Health; and data on well-being and social and cultural participation from the six yearly module on Quality of life.
- (3) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the European Statistical System Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The technical characteristics of the data set for the three yearly module on Health and six yearly module on Quality of life in the income and living conditions domain are set out in the Annex and refer to:

- (a) the variable's identifier;
- (b) the variable's name;

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- (c) the modality label and code;
- (d) the collection unit;
- (e) the mode of collection;
- (f) the reference period.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 17 November 2020.

For the Commission

The President

Ursula VON DER LEYEN

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ANNEX

Technical characteristics of variables

Variable's identifier	Variable name	Modality code	Modality label	Collection unit	Mode of collection	Reference period
Health care						
HS200	Financial burden of medical care (excluding medicines)	1 2 3	Heavy burden Somewhat burden Not a burden at all	Household	Household respondent	Last 12 months
HS200_F	Financial burden of medical care (excluding medicines) (flag)	1 -1 -2 -7	Filled Missing Not applicable (no one in the household needed/had medical care) Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
HS210	Financial burden of dental care	1 2 3	Heavy burden Somewhat burden Not a burden at all	Household	Household respondent	Last 12 months
HS210_F	Financial burden of dental care (flag)	1 -1 -2 -7	Filled Missing Not applicable (no one in the household			

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			needed/had dental care) Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
HS220	Financial burden of medicines	1 2 3	Heavy burden Somewhat burden Not a burden at all	Household	Household respondent	Last 12 months
HS220_F	Financial burden of medicines (flag)	1 -1 -2 -7	Filled Missing Not applicable (no one in the household needed/ used medicines) Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PH090	Number of consultations with of a general practitioner or family doctor in the past 12 months	1 2 3 4 5	None 1-2 times 3-5 times 6-9 times 10 times or more	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity) or registers	Last 12 months

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PH090_F	Number of consultations with of a general practitioner or family doctor in the past 12 months (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PH080	Number of consultations with dentist or orthodontist or other dental care specialists in the past 12 months	1 2 3 4 5	None 1-2 times 3-5 times 6-9 times 10 times or more	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity) or registers	Last 12 months
PH080_F	Number of consultations with dentist or orthodontist or other dental care specialists in the past 12 months (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PH100	Number of consultations of a medical or surgical specialist (excluding dentists, orthodontists	1 2 3 4 5	None 1-2 times 3-5 times 6-9 times 10 times or more	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in	Last 12 months

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	or other dental care specialists) in the past 12 months				incapacity) or registers	
PH100_F	Number of consultations of a medical or surgical specialist (excluding dentists, orthodontists or other dental care specialists) in the past 12 months (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			

Health determinants

PH110A	BMI 1 Weight	20-350	weight kg	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	Current
PH110A_F	BMI 1 Weight (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PH110B	BMI 2 Height	50-250	height cm	All current household members	Personal interview (proxy)	Current

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				aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	
PH110B_F	BMI 2 Height (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PH122	Type of physical activity when working	1 2 3 4	Mostly sitting Mostly standing Mostly walking or tasks of moderate physical effort Mostly heavy labour or physically demanding work	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	Typical week
PH122_F	Type of physical activity when working (flag)	1 -1 -2 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not applicable (PL032≠1) Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according			

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			to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PH132	Frequency of physical activities (excluding working)	1 2 3 4 5 6	Twice or more a day Once a day 4 to 6 times a week 1 to 3 times a week Less than once a week Never	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	Typical week
PH132_F	Frequency of physical activities (excluding working) (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PH142	Frequency of eating fruit (excluding any juice)	1 2 3 4 5 6	Twice or more a day Once a day 4 to 6 times a week 1 to 3 times a week Less than once a week Never	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	A typical week
PH142_F	Frequency of eating fruit (excluding any juice) (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable			

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			(Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PH152	Frequency of eating vegetables or salad (excluding any juice)	1 2 3 4 5 6	Twice or more a day Once a day 4 to 6 times a week 1 to 3 times a week Less than once a week Never	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	A typical week
PH152_F	Frequency of eating vegetables or salad (excluding any juice) (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PH171	Frequency of tobacco use (including electronic cigarettes or similar electronic devices)	1 2 3 4 5	Yes, daily Yes, a few times a week Yes, a few times a month Yes, a few times in the year Not at all	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	Last 12 months
PH171_F	Frequency of tobacco use (including	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing			

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	electronic cigarettes or similar electronic devices) (flag)		Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PH180	Frequency of consumption of an alcoholic drink of any kind	1 2 3 4 5	Yes, daily Yes, a few times a week Yes, a few times a month Yes, a few times in the year Not at all	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	Last 12 months
PH180_F	Frequency of consumption of an alcoholic drink of any kind (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			

Details on health status and disability

PH101	Difficulty in seeing, even when wearing glasses or contact lenses	1 2 3 4	No, no difficulty Yes, some difficulty Yes, a lot of difficulty Cannot see at all	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	Current
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				(where applies)	away or in incapacity)	
PH101_F	Difficulty in seeing, even when wearing glasses or contact lenses (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PH111	Difficulty in hearing, even when using a hearing aid	1 2 3 4	No, no difficulty Yes, some difficulty Yes, a lot of difficulty Cannot hear at all	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	Current
PH111_F	Difficulty in hearing, even when using a hearing aid (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PH121	Difficulty in walking or climbing steps	1 2 3 4	No, no difficulty Yes, some difficulty Yes, a lot of difficulty Cannot walk at all	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily	Current

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				(where applies)	away or in incapacity)	
PH121_F	Difficulty in walking or climbing steps (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PH131	Difficulty in remembering or concentrating	1 2 3 4	No, no difficulty Yes, some difficulty Yes, a lot of difficulty Cannot remember/ focus at all	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	Current
PH131_F	Difficulty in remembering or concentrating (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PH141	Difficulty (with self-care such as) washing all over or dressing	1 2 3 4	No, no difficulty Yes, some difficulty Yes, a lot of difficulty	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily	Current

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			Cannot wash or dress at all	(where applies)	away or in incapacity)	
PH141_F	Difficulty (with self-care such as) washing all over or dressing (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PH151	Difficulty in communicating (using usual language, for example understanding or being understood by others)	1 2 3 4	No, no difficulty Yes, some difficulty Yes, a lot of difficulty Cannot communicate at all	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	Current
PH151_F	Difficulty in communicating (using usual language, for example understanding or being understood by others) (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			

Well-being

PW241	Feeling left out	1 2 3	Strongly agree Agree	All current household members	Personal interview	Current
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		4 5 99	Neither agree nor disagree Disagree Strongly disagree Don't know	aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)		
PW241_F	Feeling left out (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PW030	Satisfaction with financial situation	0-10 99	Not at all satisfied to Completely satisfied Do not know	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview	Current
PW030_F	Satisfaction with financial situation (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PW160	Satisfaction with	0-10 99	Not at all satisfied to	All current household members	Personal interview	Current

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	personal relationships		Completely satisfied Do not know	aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)		
PW160_F	Satisfaction with personal relationships (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PW120	Satisfaction with time use (amount of leisure time)	0-10 99	Not at all satisfied to Completely satisfied Do not know	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview	Current
PW120_F	Satisfaction with time use (amount of leisure time) (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PW230	Feeling lonely	1 2 3 4	All of the time Most of the time	All current household members aged 16	Personal interview	Last 4 weeks

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		5 99	Some of the time A little of the time None of the time Do not know	and over or selected respondent (where applies)		
PW230_F	Feeling lonely (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PW090	Being happy	1 2 3 4 5 99	All of the time Most of the time Some of the time A little of the time None of the time Do not know	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview	Last 4 weeks
PW090_F	Being happy (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual			

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			rolling planning')			
PW180	Help from others	1 2	Yes No	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview	Usual
PW180_F	Help from others (flag)	1 -1 -2 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not applicable (no relatives, friends, neighbours) Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			

Social and cultural participation

PS010	Number of times going to the cinema	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	At most 3 times More than 3 times No – cannot afford it No – lack of interest No – no cinema nearby No – lack of time No – watching films	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	Last 12 months
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			by other means (TV, internet) No – other reasons			
PS010_F	Number of times going to the cinema (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the ‘multiannual rolling planning’)			
PS020	Number of times going to live performances (plays, concerts, operas, ballet and dance performances)	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	At most 3 times More than 3 times No – cannot afford it No – lack of interest No – no live performances nearby No – lack of time No – other reasons	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	Last 12 months
PS020_F	Number of times going to live performances (plays, concerts, operas, ballet and dance performances) (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the			

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PS030	Number of visits to cultural sites	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	At most 3 times More than 3 times No – cannot afford it No – lack of interest No – no cultural sites nearby No – lack of time No – other reasons	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	Last 12 months
PS030_F	Number of visits to cultural sites (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the ‘multiannual rolling planning’)			
PS040	Number of times attending live sport events	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	At most 3 times More than 3 times No – cannot afford it No – lack of interest No – no live sport events nearby No – lack of time	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	Last 12 months

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			No – watching sport events by other means (TV, internet) No – other reasons			
PS040_F	Number of times attending live sport events (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the ‘multiannual rolling planning’)			
PS041	Practice of artistic activities	1 2 3 4 5 6	Daily Every week (not every day) Several times a month (not every week) Once a month At least once a year (less than once a month) Never	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	Usual
PS041_F	Practice of artistic activities (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according			

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PS042	Reading books (including e-books or audio books, during year)	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	Yes – 1-4 books Yes – 5-9 books Yes – at least 10 books No – cannot afford it No – lack of interest No – lack of time No – lack of access No – other reasons	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	Last 12 months
PS042_F	Reading books (including e-books or audio books, during year) (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PS050	Frequency of getting together with family (relatives)	1 2 3 4 5 6 99	Daily Every week (not every day) Several times a month (not every week) Once a month	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	Usual

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			At least once a year (less than once a month) Never No relatives			
PS050_F	Frequency of getting together with family (relatives) (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PS060	Frequency of getting together with friends	1 2 3 4 5 6	Daily Every week (not every day) Several times a month (not every week) Once a month At least once a year (less than once a month) Never	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	Usual
PS060_F	Frequency of getting together with friends (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according			

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PS070	Frequency of contacts with family (relatives)	1 2 3 4 5 6 99	Daily Every week (not every day) Several times a month (not every week) Once a month At least once a year (less than once a month) Never No relatives	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	Usual
PS070_F	Frequency of contacts with family (relatives) (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PS080	Frequency of contacts with friends	1 2 3 4 5 6	Daily Every week (not every day) Several times a month (not every week)	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	Usual

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			Once a month At least once a year (less than once a month) Never			
PS080_F	Frequency of contacts with friends (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PS110	Participation in formal voluntary activities	1 2 3 4 5 6	Yes – charitable organisation Yes – cultural organisation Yes – sport organisation Yes – religious organisation of any faith Yes – other organisation No	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	Last 12 months
PS110_F	Participation in formal voluntary activities (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation			

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PS111	Participation in informal voluntary activities	1 2	Yes No	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	Last 12 months
PS111_F	Participation in informal voluntary activities (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the 'multiannual rolling planning')			
PS102	Active citizenship	1 2 3 4	Yes No- lack of interest No – lack of time No – other reason	All current household members aged 16 and over or selected respondent (where applies)	Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity)	Last 12 months
PS102_F	Active citizenship (flag)	1 -1 -3 -7	Filled Missing Not selected respondent Not applicable (Not collected according to the implementation of the			

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