

Ad hoc module on Life-long learning

User oriented quality report

Ad hoc module on Life-long learning	The survey on Life-long learning took place in the 2 nd quarter 2002 together with Labour Force Survey. The main target of the survey, was to study the degree in which persons participate in educational activities, in the formal or in the non formal educational system, as well as the field, the target and the duration of these educational activities.
Legislation	The survey's specifications are determined by Commission Regulation 1566/2001.
Reference Period	The reference period for the main survey variables is the 2 nd quarter 2002.
Coverage	Persons 15 years or older that were living in private households, staying (or intend to stay) at least 1 year in Greece and working. Individuals who permanently reside in collective houses (i.e. hospitals, hotels, asylums, homes for the elderly, orphanages, etc) are not covered by the survey.
Definitions	<p>Formal education: Education that is provided in schools, Universities, etc. which starts at the early childhood and continues usually until 20 – 25 years. It constitutes a continuous "ladder" organized in levels where the completion of one level is a prerequisite for the entrance in the higher level.</p> <p>Programs outside formal educational system: Is an organized form of teaching with a specific target, tutors, and content. These programs can provide in some cases a certificate which is not always recognised by the state, and even if it is recognized, does not provide entrance in a "higher" educational level.</p> <p>Informal learning is any educational activity that is not organized by a educational institution or a teacher but is organized by the persons him or herself, in order to learn about a subject.</p> <p>Employed are persons aged 15 years or older, who during the reference week worked, even for just one hour, for pay or profit or they were working in the family business, or they were not at work but had a job or business from which they were temporarily absent.</p> <p>Unemployed are persons aged 15-74 who were without work during the reference week (they were not classified as employed), were currently available for work and were either actively seeking work in the past four weeks or had already found a job to start within the next three months.</p> <p>Inactive are those persons who are neither classified as employed nor as unemployed.</p> <p>Economically active population (labour force) are persons either employed or unemployed.</p> <p>Unemployment Rate is the ratio of unemployed divided by total labour force..</p>
Methodology	The estimations are produced by a suitable unbiased estimator, which takes into account a) the probability of selection of every sampled household, b) the response rate in every primary sampling unit, c) the estimated population allocated by NUTS II areas, gender and age group).
References	Analytical description of the Labour Force Survey's and ad hoc module methodology and definitions can be found at www.statistics.gr . -> Statistical Themes->Labour Market->Employment – Unemployment-> Special Surveys.