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STATISTICS ON INCOME AND LIVING CONDITIONS 2010

Risk of poverty

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces the results of the 2010 Survey on Income and Living Conditions (EU- Statistics on Income and Living Conditions) of households, with reference income period the previous calendar year (2009). The results of the 2011 survey, with reference income period the previous calendar year (2010), will be announced in September of 2012. This survey is the main source for comparable statistics on income distribution and social exclusion at European level.

A. At risk-of-poverty rate and poverty threshold: 2010

At risk-of-poverty rate	20.1 %
Poverty threshold for one-person household	7,178.00 euro
Poverty threshold for households with 2 adults and 2 dependent children under 14 years old	15,073.00 euro
Average annual equivalised ¹ income	13,973.94 euro
Average annual equivalised disposable income	24,224.38 euro

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- The poverty threshold amounts to 7,178.00 euros per person annually and to 15,073.00 euros for households with two adult and two dependent children under 14 years old.
- The mean annual income is 13,973.94 euros per person and the mean annual disposable income of the households of the country is 24,224.38 euros.
- 868,597 households and their 2,204,800 members were at-risk-of-poverty.

⁽¹⁾ Equivalised income is considered the total available income of household after being divided by the equivalent size of household. The equivalent size of household is calculated according to the modified scale of OECD (for further information see page 16)

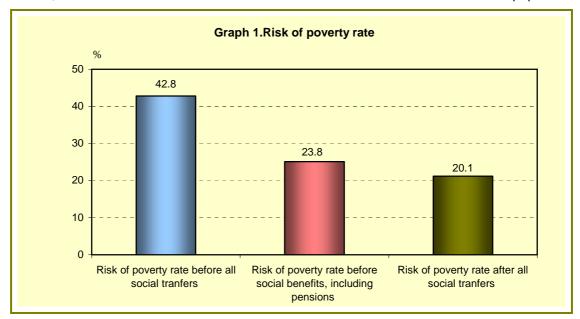
B. Key statistical findings

- In 2010, 20.1% of the population was at risk of poverty, while the risk of poverty threshold is 60% of the total equivalised disposable household income. The abovementioned indicator, calculated with the same methodology, remained relatively stable during the last 15 years (1994-2009), for which there are available data, ranging from 19.5% to 23%.
- The risk of poverty, using different thresholds than 60% of the total equivalised disposable household income, amounted to:
 - 7.3%, when the risk of poverty threshold to be defined at 40% of the total equivalised disposable household income
 - 12.4%, when the risk of poverty threshold to be defined at 50% of the total equivalised disposable household income and
 - 27.2%, when the risk of poverty threshold to be defined at 70% of the total equivalised disposable household income, respectively
- The risk of poverty for children aged 0-17 years (child poverty) amounted to 23.0% that is approximately 3 percentage points higher than the corresponding percentage for the total population.
- The risk of poverty for people aged 65 year and over was 21.3%, recording a decrease of 0.1 percentage point in comparison with the previous year.
- At risk-of-poverty population or social exclusion amounted to 3,030,900 persons.
- People living in households with very low work intensity amounted to 544,800 persons, while
 in the previous year they amounted to 488,200 persons.
- At risk-of-poverty population:
 - Females in unemployment (40.0%)
 - Single parent households with dependent children (33.4%)
 - Households with one adult aged 65 years and over (30.1%)
 - Three or more adults with dependent children (28.3%)
 - Single female households (27.7%)
 - Children aged 0 17 years (23.0%)

⁽¹⁾ Social exclusion: Population living with severely material deprivation (lack of at least four out of nine material deprivation items in the 'economic strain and durables' dimension') or and living in households with very low work intensity (for further information see page 18)

C. Social transfers and the risk of poverty rate

- The risk of poverty rate before all social transfers (not including social benefits¹ and pensions² in the total disposable household income) is 42.8%, while in the case where only the pensions are included without the social benefits, the risk of poverty rates drops to 23.8% (graph 1, tables 2, 9 and 10).
- Social benefits cause the risk of poverty rate decrease by 3.7 percentage points.
- Pensions cause the risk of poverty rate decrease by 19.0 percentage points.
- The total of social transfers cause the risk of poverty rate decrease by 22.7 percentage points.
- The risk of poverty rate before all social transfers (not including social benefits and pensions in the total disposable household income) is estimated at 83.7% for persons aged 65 years and over, whereas after social transfers it is estimated at 27.5% of the aforementioned population.



- The impact of pensions on the decrease of risk of poverty is smaller for the population aged 18-64 years. The relative risk of poverty, before all social transfers, for this age group, is estimated at 34.7%, whereas before social benefits it is estimated at 22.2% of the above-mentioned population (tables 9 and 10).
- Social transfers (including pensions) represent 28.6% of total disposable income of the country's households.
 - Pensions account for a significant share of total disposable income, reaching 24.8%.
 - Social benefits represent 3.8% of the disposable income.

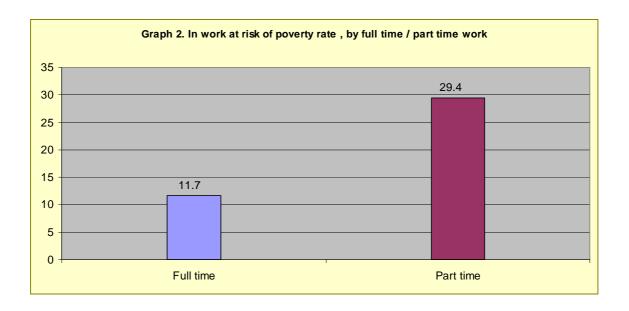
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⁽¹⁾ Social benefits include the social assistance (the allowance of social solidarity for pensioners –EKAS, a lump sum payment to poor households in mountainous and disadvantageous areas, allowances for children under 16 years old who live in poor households, allowances to repatriates, refugees, persons released from prison, drug-addicts, alcoholics, allowances to long-standing unemployed aged 45-65, benefits to households that faced an earthquake, flood etc.) and allowances such as family, unemployment, sickness, disability/invalidity benefits /allowances as well as the education allowances

⁽²⁾ Pensions include old-age pensions and survivor's pensions and benefits.

D. Characteristics of at risk-of-poverty population

- The risk of poverty rate is higher for females than for males, 20.9% and 19.3% respectively (Table 2). 27.7% of the single female households are at risk of poverty, while the corresponding percentage for single male households is 26.3% (Table 4).
- The risk of poverty rate for persons aged 65 years and over is calculated at 21.3%, while for persons aged below 18 years it is estimated at 23.0% (Table 2).
- The risk of poverty rate for persons aged 75 years and over is calculated at 25.5%, while for persons aged below 75 years it is estimated at 19.6% (Table 3).
- The risk of poverty rate for single-parent households with at least one (1) dependent child is 33.4% of the households belonging in this specific category, while the corresponding indicator for households with 2 adults with one (1) dependent child is 21.6% (Table 4).
- Employed persons face a lower risk of poverty than unemployed persons and economically inactive persons (pensioners, persons carrying out domestic tasks and/ or having care responsibilities etc). The risk of poverty rate for employed persons amounts to 13.8% (16.4% for males and 10.2% for females), for economically inactive persons it is 27.4% and for unemployed persons it is 38.5% (Table 5).
- The relative risk-of-poverty rate for full-time employed persons amounts to 11.7%, while for part-time employed persons it is estimated at 29.4% (Graph 2 and Table 8).



• At-risk-of poverty rate for households that reside in dwellings they own is 18.5%, while for those residing in rented dwellings it is 27.2% (Table 6). The risk of poverty rate for elderly

people aged 75 years and over by tenure status is estimated at 26.3% for those who own their home and 18.0% for those who rent a home (Table 6).

E. Relative at-risk-of-poverty gap

- The relative at-risk-of-poverty gap is the difference between the median equivalised income of persons below at-risk-of-poverty threshold and at-risk-of-poverty threshold, expressed as a percentage of at-risk-of-poverty threshold. This indicator is estimated at 23.4% of at-risk-of-poverty threshold (Table 12) and this means that 50% of the poor have an income higher than 76.6% of the at risk of poverty threshold (7,178 euros), that is to say more than 5,498.35 euros, yearly, per person.
- The highest relative at-risk-of-poverty gap (26.0%) is recorded among children aged 0-17 years, while for persons aged 65 years and over the corresponding percentage is 14.6 (Table 12)

F. Risk of poverty calculated on the basis of the 2005 poverty threshold (adjusted according to the harmonized index of consumer prices)

• The risk of poverty rate for 2010 calculated on the basis of the poverty threshold of 2005 (60% of median income in 2005 expressed in 2010 prices based on the harmonized index of consumer prices) is estimated at 16.0%, i.e., lower by 4.1 percentage points than the corresponding risk of poverty rate for 2010 (Table 11). The focus of this comparison is to record the change of the risk of poverty in absolute values rather than relative terms (by keeping the poverty threshold constant over time in terms of real purchasing power). In other words, 16% of the population in 2010 would be classified as at risk of poverty in the conditions of 2005.

G. Persons living in households with very low work intensity

- Persons living in households with very low work intensity, aged 18-59 years old, are estimated at 8.5% for total population, 7.5% for male and 9.6% for women (Table 18).
- Persons living in households with very low work intensity, less than 18 years old, are estimated at 3.7% (Table 18).

H. Indicators for Europe 2020 strategy (social cohesion)

- Persons at risk of poverty or social exclusion represent 27.7% of total population. The risk of poverty or social exclusion is higher for children under 18 years old (28.7%) Table 13.
- Persons at risk of poverty or social exclusion aged 18-64 years are estimated at 25.2% for nationals and at 54.1% for foreigners - Table 14.

- Persons at risk of poverty or social exclusion, aged 18-64 years, by broad group of country of birth are estimated at 50.9% for foreigners - Table 15.
- Population at risk of poverty but not severely materially deprived and not living in a household with low work intensity is estimated at 4.1% -Table 16.
- Population at risk of poverty, not severely materially deprived but living in a household with low work intensity, is 3.1% -Table 16.
- Population at risk of poverty, severely materially deprived but not living in a household with low work intensity, is 11.8% -Table 16.
- Population at risk of poverty or social exclusion in Europe (% and 1 000 persons) is depicted in table 17.

I. Population at risk of poverty in European Union

- Population at risk of poverty for the European Union (27 Members States) is estimated at 16.4% (provisional data), for the Eurozone (12 Members States) it is estimated at 16.9% and for the Eurozone (16 Members States) it is estimated at 16.1% -Table 19.
- The highest percentage of risk of poverty is recorded in Latvia (21.7%), while the lowest is recorded in the Czech Republic (9%) Table 19.

Some comments on the results

It should be noted that population groups being by inference poor such as homeless, persons living in institutions, several illegal economic immigrants, Roma, etc. are not included in the survey.

TABLES

Table 1. At risk of poverty threshold (illustrative values): 2010

Euro

Household type	Threshold
Single person	7,178
Two adults with two children younger than 14 years	15,073

Table 2. At risk of poverty rate by age and gender: 2010

%

Age groups	Total	Female	Male
Total	20.1	20.9	19.3
0-17	23.0	-	-
18-64	19.0	19.2	18.9
65+	21.3	23.3	18.8

Table 3. At risk of poverty rate of older persons: 2010

%

Age groups	Total	Female	Male
60+	20.8	22.4	18.9
75+	25.5	25.8	25.2
0-59	19.9	20.4	19.5
0-74	19.6	20.4	18.9

Table 4. At risk of poverty rate by household type: 2010

Household type	%
Total	20.1
Households without dependent children	17.6
One adult aged 65 and over	30.1
One adult under 65 years	24.8
Single female	27.7
Single male	26.3
Two adults under 65 years	18.3
Two adults, the one-at least- aged 65 and over	20.9
Three or more adults	12.5
Households with dependent children	22.9
Single parent with dependent children	33.4
Two adults with one dependent child	21.6
Two adults with two dependent children	20.3
Two adults with three or more dependent children	26.7
Two adults or more with dependent children	22.7
Three adults or more with dependent children	29.3

Table 5. At-risk-of-poverty rate, by most frequent activity status and by gender (18+): 2010

Total Female Activity status Male **Employed** 13.8 10.2 16.4 Not employed 25.0 27.1 21.7 Unemployed 38.5 40.0 37.0 Retired 19.0 21.4 17.0 27.4 28.1 24.6 Inactive population - Other

Table 6. At-risk-of-poverty rate, by accommodation tenure status gender and age groups: 2010

%						
Age groups		Owner			Renter	
	Total	Female	Male	Total	Female	Male
Total	18.5	19.5	17.5	27.2	26.9	27.6
0-17	19.9	-	-	34	-	-
18-64	17.2	17.7	16.7	26.0	24.7	27.2
60+	20.8	22.4	18.9	20.8	22.1	19.0
65+	21.3	23.2	19.0	21.4	24.1	16.6
75+	26.3	27.3	25.1	18.0	15.3	27.1

Table 7. In-work at-risk-of-poverty rate, by gender, population aged 18-64: 2010

% <u> </u>			
Activity status	Total	Female	Male
Employed	13.9	10.3	16.5

Table 8. In-work at-risk-of-poverty rate, by full-time/part-time work: 2010

Working status	%
Full time	11.7
Part time	29.4

Table 9. At-risk-of-poverty rate before all social transfers, by age and gender: 2010

% Female Age groups Total Male 40.8 Total 42.8 44.9 0-17 29.1 18-64 34.7 35.4 33.9 65+ 83.7 85.6 81.2

Table 10. At-risk-of-poverty rate before social benefits, by gender and selected age groups (including pensions): 2010

% Total Female Male Age groups Total 23.8 24.9 22.7 0-17 25.8 18-64 22.2 22.3 22.2 27.5 65+ 31.2 22.9

Table 11. At-risk-of-poverty rate anchored at a fixed moment in time (2005), by age and gender: 2010

% Total Female Age groups Male 16.0 Total 16.5 15.5 0-17 18.4 18-64 15.4 15.4 15.5 65+ 15.8 17.7 13.5

Table 12. Relative median at-risk-of-poverty gap, by age and gender: 2010

% Age groups Total Female Male Total 23.4 23.4 23.4 0-17 26.0 18-64 24.8 24.9 24.8 65+ 14.6 15.8 14.2 75+ 14.6 15.0 14.2

Table 13. Population at risk of poverty or social exclusion by age and gender: 2010

% Female Age groups Total Male Total 27.7 29.3 26.0 0-17 28.7 18-64 27.7 28.8 26.6 65+ 26.7 29.8 22.9

Table 14. Population at risk of poverty or social exclusion by broad group of citizenship (population aged 18 and over): 2010

Age groups	Broad group of citizenship	%
	Nationals	25.2
19.64	Foreigners	54.1
18-64	EU 27 members states_Foreigners	46.9
	Non EU members states 27_Foreigners	55.8
18+	Nationals	25.5
	Foreigners	53.7
	EU 27 members states_Foreigners	45.3
	Non EU members states 27_Foreigners	55.7

Table 15. Population at risk of poverty or social exclusion by broad group of country of birth (population aged 18 and over): 2010

Age groups	Broad group of country of birth	%
18-64	Greece	24.6
	Other country	50.9
10-04	EU 27 members states_Foreigners	42.0
	Non EU members states 27_Foreigners	53.1
18+	Greece	25.1
	Other country	50.1
	EU 27 members states_Foreigners	41.8
	Non EU members states 27_Foreigners	52.2

Table 16. Intersections of Europe 2020 Poverty Target Indicators by age and gender: 2010

Age groups	Indicator	%
	Population at risk of poverty but not severely materially deprived and not living in a household with low work intensity	4.1
Total	Population at risk of poverty, not severely materially deprived but living in a household with low work intensity	3.1
	Population at risk of poverty, severely materially deprived but not living in a household with low work intensity	11.8
	Population at risk of poverty but not severely materially deprived and not living in a household with low work intensity	3.7
18-64	Population at risk of poverty, not severely materially deprived but living in a household with low work intensity	4.4
	Population at risk of poverty, severely materially deprived but not living in a household with low work intensity	10.6
	Population at risk of poverty but not severely materially deprived and not living in a household with low work intensity	4.0
0-17	Population at risk of poverty, not severely materially deprived but living in a household with low work intensity	1.3
	Population at risk of poverty, severely materially deprived but not living in a household with low work intensity	13.6

Table 17. Population at risk of poverty or social exclusion in Europe: 2010

Counties	%	Population (1000 persons)
EU (27 member states)	23.4	115,479
Euro area (17 member states)	21.5	69,901
Euro area (16 member states)	21.5	69,612
Bulgaria	41.6	3,145
Romania	41.4	8,890
Latvia	38.1	846
Lithuania	33.4	1,109
Hungary	29.9	2,948
Poland	27.8	10,409
Greece	27.7	3,031
Spain	25.5	11,675
Portugal	25.3	2,693
Italy	24.5	14,742
United Kingdom	23.1	14,209
Estonia	21.7	289
Belgium	20.8	2,235
Malta	20.6	84
Slovakia	20.6	1,118
Germany	19.7	15,962
France	19.3	11,763
Denmark	18.3	1,007
Slovenia	18.3	366
Luxembourg	17.1	83
Switzerland	17.1	1,280
Finland	16.9	890
Austria	16.6	1,373
Netherlands	15.1	2,483
Sweden	15.0	1,418
Norway	14.9	737
Czech Republic	14.4	1,495
Iceland	13.7	42

Table 18. People living in households with very low work intensity by age and gender: 2010

%

Age groups	Total	Female	Male
18-59	8.5	9.6	7.5
0-17	3.9	-	-
0-60	7.5	8.5	6.4

Table 19. At risk of poverty rate in Europe: 2010

Countries	%	
Eurozone (12 member states)	16.9 [*]	
European Union (27 member states)	16.4 [*]	
European Union (15 member states)	16.3 [*]	
Eurozone (17 member states)	16.1 [*]	
Eurozone (16 member states)	16.1	
Latvia	21.3	
Romania	21.1	
Bulgaria	20.7	
Spain	20.7	
Lithuania	20.2	
Greece	20.1	
Italy	18.2	
Portugal	17.9	
Poland	17.6	
Estonia	15.8	
Germany	15.6	
Malta	15.5	
Belgium	14.6	
Luxembourg	14.5	
France	13.5	
Denmark	13.2	
Finland	13.1	
Sweden	12.9	
Slovenia	12.7	
Hungary	12.3	
Austria	12.1	
Slovakia	12,0	
Netherlands	10.3	
Czech Republic	9,0	

^{*} Provisional data

EXPLANATORY NOTES

European Union -Statistics on Income and Living Conditions -EU-SILC

The Survey on Income and Living Conditions (EU-SILC) is part of a European Statistical Programme to which all Member States participate and which replaced in 2003 the European Household Panel Survey with a view to improving the quality of statistical data concerning poverty and social exclusion. The basic aim of the survey is to study, both at national and European level, the households' living conditions mainly in relation to their income. This survey is the basic source for comparable statistics on income distribution and social exclusion at European level. The use of commonly accepted questionnaires, primary target variables and concepts – definitions ensures data comparability

Legal basis

The survey is being conducted upon the decision of the Ministry of Economy and Finance and in compliance with the Regulation (EC) No 1177/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning Community Statistics on Income and Living Conditions (EU-SILC).

Income reference period used

The income reference period is a fixed twelve-month period, namely the previous calendar year.

Coverage

The survey covers all private households throughout the country irrespective of their size or socioeconomic characteristics. The following are excluded from the survey:

- Institutional households of all types (boarding houses, elderly homes, hospitals, prisons, rehabilitation centers, camps, etc.)
- · Households with more than five lodgers and
- Households with foreigners serving in diplomatic missions.

Methodology

The survey is a simple rotational design survey, which was selected as the most suitable for single cross- sectional and longitudinal survey. The final sampling unit is the household. The sampling units are the households and their members.

The sample for any year consists of 4 replications, which have been in the survey for 1-4 years. With the exception of the first three years of survey, any particular replication remains in the survey for 4 years. Each year, one of the 4 replications from the previous year is dropped and a new one is added. In order to have a complete sample the first year of survey, the four panels began simultaneously. For the EU-SILC longitudinal component. The people who were selected initially are interviewed for a period of four years, equal to the duration of each panel.

EU-SILC survey is based on a two-stage stratified sampling of households from a frame of sampling which has been created on the basis of the results of the 2001 population census and covers completely the reference population.

There are two levels of area stratification in the sampling design.

- i) The first level is the geographical stratification based on the division of the total country area into thirteen (13) standard administrative regions corresponding to the European NUTS II level. The two major city agglomerations of Greater Athens area and Greater Thessalonica area constitute two separate major geographical strata.
- ii) The second level of stratification entails grouping municipalities and communes within each NUTS II Regions by degree of urbanization. i.e. according to their population size. The scaling of urbanization was finally designed in four groups:
 - >= 30.000 inhabitants
 - 5.000-29.999 inhabitants
 - 1.000-4.999 inhabitants
 - 0-999 inhabitants

Sample selection schemes

i) In this stage, from any ultimate stratum (crossing of Region with the degree of urbanization). -say

stratum h, nh primary units were drawn; where the number nh of draws was approximately proportional to the population size Xh of the stratum (number of households according to the 2001 population census).

ii) In this stage from each primary sampling unit (selected area) the sample of ultimate units (households) is selected. Actually, in the second stage we draw a sample of dwellings. However, in most cases, there is one to one relation between household and dwelling. If the selected dwelling consists of one or more households, then all of them are interviewed.

Sample size

In 2010, the survey was conducted on a final sample of 7,005 households and on 17,611 members of those households, 14,788 of them are aged 16 years and over. The average is calculated at 2.51 members per household.

Weightings

For the estimation of the characteristics of the survey. the data of each person and household of the sample were multiplied by a reductive factor. The reductive factor results as product of the following three factors (weights):

- a. The reverse probability of choice of individual, that coincides with the reverse probability of household.
- b. Reverse of the percentage of response of households inside the strata.
- c. A corrective factor. which is determined in a way that:
- i) The estimation of persons by gender and age groups that will result by geographic region coincides with the corresponding number, which was calculated with projection for the survey reference period and was based on vital statistics (2001 population census, births. deaths. immigration).
- ii) the estimation of households by size order (1. 2. 3. 4 or 5+ members) and by tenure status coincides with the reference year that was calculated with projection that was based on the longitudinal tendency of the 1991 and 2001 population censuses

Equalised income

According to the methodology for measuring poverty, the poverty line is calculated with its relative concept (poor in relation to others) and it is defined at 60% of the median total equivalised disposable income of the household, using modified OECD equivalised scale.

'Equivalent size' refers to the OECD modified scale, which gives a weight of 1.0 to the first adult., 0.5 to other persons aged 14 or over who are living in the household and 0.3 to each child aged under 14

Total equivalised disposable income of the household is considered the total net income (that is, income after deducting taxes and social contributions) received by all household members.

More specifically the income components included in the survey are:

- · Income from work
- Income from property
- Social transfers and pensions
- · Monetary transfers from other households and
- Imputed income from the use of company car.

Income components, such as imputed rent from ownership-occupancy, indirect social transfers, income in kind and loan interest, are possible to influence significantly the results and are not included.

Equivalent available individual income is considered the total available income of household after being divided by the equivalent size of household. The equivalent size of household is calculated according to the modified scale of OECD.

It is pointed out that, in the distribution per person it is suggested that each member of the household possesses the same income that corresponds to the equivalised disposable income. This means that each member of the household enjoys the same level of living. Consequently, in the distribution per person, the income that is attributed to each person does not represent wages, but an indicator of level of living.

The total available income of the household is calculated as the sum of incomes of the household's members (income from salaried services, from self-employment, pensions, benefits of unemployment income from motionless fortune, familial benefits, regular pecuniary transfers etc) that is to say, the total of net earnings coming from all the sources of income after the abstraction of by any benefits to

other households. To this sum the tax should also be added pertaining to also the tax that what potentially was returned and concerned the liquidation of incomes of the previous year.

Equivalence scale

Equivalent size refers to the OECD modified scale which gives a weight of 1.0 to the first adult, 0.5 to other persons aged 14 or over who are living in the household and 0.3 to each child aged under 14. Example: The income of household with two adults and two children under 14 years is divided with a weight 1+0.5+2*0.3= 2.1, for household with two adults with 1.5, for household with 2 adults and 2 children of age of 14 years and more with 2.5, etc.

Dependent children

Dependent children are considered all the children o until the age of 16 years and the children aged 16-24 who are economic inactive (pupil, students, soldiers etc)

Indicators

Main indicators

- 1. At-risk-of-poverty rate (after social transfers)
 - 1a. At-risk-of-poverty rate by age and gender
 - 1b. At-risk-of-poverty rate by most frequent activity status and gender
 - 1c. At-risk-of-poverty rate by household type
 - 1d. At-risk-of-poverty rate by accommodation tenure status
 - 1e. At-risk-of-poverty rate by work intensity of the household
 - 1f. At-risk-of-poverty threshold (illustrative values)
- 2. Relative median at-risk-of-poverty gap, by age and gender

Secondary indicators

- 3. Dispersion around the at-risk-of-poverty threshold
- 4. At-risk-of-poverty rate anchored at a moment in time
- 5. At-risk-of-poverty rate before social transfers by age and gender
- 6. Mean equivalised disposable income

Indicators for Europe 2020 strategy

Indicators' definition

1. At-risk-of-poverty rate after social transfers.

The 'at-risk-of poverty rate (after social transfers)" is calculated as the percentage of persons (over the total population) with an equivalised disposable income below the 'at-risk of-poverty threshold' (i.e. the equivalised disposable income of each person is compared with the at-risk-of-poverty threshold).

2. Relative median at-risk-of-poverty gap, by age and gender

The difference between the median equivalised disposable income of persons below the at risk of poverty threshold and the at-risk of poverty threshold itself, expressed as a percentage of the at-risk-of-poverty threshold. Gender and age breakdown and total.

3. Dispersion around the at-risk-of-poverty threshold

The percentage of persons, over the total population, with an equivalised disposable income below 40%, 50% and 70% of the national median equivalised disposable income.

4. At-risk-of-poverty rate anchored at a moment in time

For a given year 't', the 'at-risk-of-poverty rate anchored at a moment in time is defined as the percentage of the population whose equivalised total disposable income in that given year is below a risk-of-poverty threshold calculated in the standard way for the earlier year 't-3' and then up-rated for inflation

- 5. At-risk-of-poverty rate before social transfers by age and gender
- 5.1. At-risk-of-poverty rate before social transfers by age and gender (except old-age and survivors benefits)

The 'at-risk-of-poverty rate before social transfers except old-age and survivors' benefits' shows the percentage of persons (over the total population) having an equivalised disposable income before social transfers except old-age and survivors' benefits below the national 'atrisk- of-poverty threshold'

5.2. At-risk-of-poverty rate before social transfers by age and gender (including old-age and survivors benefits)

The 'at-risk-of-poverty rate before social transfers including old-age and survivors' benefits' shows the percentage of persons (over the total population) having an equivalised disposable income before

social transfers including old-age and survivors' benefits below the national 'at-risk-of-poverty threshold'.

Social benefits include the social assistance (i.e. the allowance of social solidarity for pensioners – EKAS, a lump sum amount for assistance to poor households in mountainous and disadvantageous areas, allowances to children under 16 years old who live in poor households, allowances to repatriations, refugees, released from prison, drug-addicts, alcoholics, allowances to long-standings unemployed aged 45-65, benefits to households that faced an earthquake, flood etc.) and allowances such as family, unemployment, sickness, disability/invalidity benefits /allowances, as well as the education allowances.

6. Mean equivalised disposable income

The equivalised disposable income is defined as the mean of the equivalised disposable income of each person.

7. Indicators for Europe 2020 strategy

People at risk of poverty or social exclusion (union of the three sub-indicators below)

- (1) People at-risk-of-poverty after social transfers
- (2) Severely materially deprived people

This indicator is defined as the percentage of population with an enforced lack of at least four out of nine material deprivation items in the 'economic strain and durables' dimension.

The nine items considered are:

- Arrears on mortgage or rent payments, utility bills, hire purchase instalments or other loan payments;
- Capacity to afford paying for one week's annual holiday away from home
- Capacity to afford a meal with meat, chicken, fish (or vegetarian equivalent) every second day
- Capacity to face unexpected financial expenses
- Household cannot afford a telephone (including mobile phone)
- Household cannot afford a colour TV;
- Household cannot afford a washing machine;
- Household cannot afford a car and
- Ability of the household to pay for keeping its home adequately warm.

(3) People living in households with very low work intensity

Share of population aged 0-59 living in households where the working age members worked less than 20% of their total work potential during the past year. The work intensity of the household is defined as the ratio between on the one hand, the number of months that all working age household members have been working during the income reference year and on the other hand, the total number of months that could theoretically have been worked by the same household members in the same period. When the respondent declares himself as part-time worker, the number of worked hours per week is taken into account for the months with part-time work, on the basis of the situation for number of worked hours at the time of interview. A working age person is defined as a person aged 18-59, not being a student aged 18-24. The households which consist only of children, of students aged less then 25 and/or people aged 60 or more are totally excluded from the indicator computation.

Eurozone's member states

Eurozone (17 member states): Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Estonia, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Portugal, Slovenia, Slovakia, Spain, Finland

Eurozone (16 member states): Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Portugal, Slovenia, Slovakia, Spain, Finland

Eurozone (12 member states): Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxemb Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, Finland

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