Explanatory Document on the Published Data

Name (please insert survey name)

Survey of Household Income and Expenditure

Sector:

Household surveys

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Directorate and contact person

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Purpose and historical reference

Purpose:

1. Calculating average of annual income and expenditure of the household and the individual and identifying the relationship of the various social and demographic variables of the households such as gender, educational level, profession and other variables and their impact on the household's income and expenditures.
2. Studying the distribution of households and individuals according to income and expenditure categories and analyze the factors associated with that distribution.
3. Providing data on income and expenditure for the purpose of calculating poverty indicators, identifying characteristics of the poor and preparing poverty maps.
4. Provide weights data (scales) that reflect the relative importance of consumer expenditures items and that are used in preparing the consumer price index.
5. Provide a part of the data needed for the national accounts related to final consumption and income of the households sector.
6. Provide updated and comprehensive data on some important health indicators such as disability, chronic diseases, health insurance and other indicators.
7. Providing comprehensive and recent data on some important educational indicators such as education enrollment and educational services availability in terms of authority supervising the educational institution, the distance between the housing and the educational institution and overcrowding in the classroom.

Historical reference (please indicate the year the survey started)

The survey was conducted in 1966

Users and Applications:

Users: economic and social experts and researchers in expenditure methods, demographic and and levels of income and prices and relevancy of income to different levels.

Applications: economic and social planning and development of policies, and the evaluation of economic and social development programs including those designed to address the problem of poverty.

Source (please write all data resources)

Data is collected every 2-3 years.

Authorized organization to collect and publish data

Department of Statistics, as per law no. 12/2012.

1. Contents

1-1 Content description

This survey provides detailed data on:

Housing characteristics

Demographic characteristics of population

Expenditure on food and non-food goods and differnet services

Household income from different income sources

2-1 Statistical definitions:

Current income of household: means all cash and in-kind incomes that is characterized of being repeated. In this survey, the data of current income were collected for each of household individuals who dwelt or had the intention to dwell with the household for a time period equal or more than (6) months It is worth noting that the at the time of collection of current income data for household Payment principle is adopted i.e. ?

Household Expenditure: is the expenditure of any of household member regarding goods and services, whether these were related to the household as a whole such as the housing rent and the water and electricity consumption amounts, or related to some household members such as cloths, personal stuff, and children purchases.

3-1 variables

Current income from all income sources for household and members , expenditure on food and non-food goods for household and members , and amounts of consumption of food stuffs.

4-1 Classifications (basis of details in the tables)

The published tables depend on the dissemination of data by household and individual expenditure and income, classified by governorate, urban and rural for Jordanians and at the level of the Kingdom in general for non-Jordanians.

2- Time

2-1 reference period (during which the data is collected)

The survey was conducted throughout the whole months of the year from 01/08/2017 to 31/07/2018.

2-2 date of dissemination

Survey data are disseminated in march 2019.

3-2 commitment to date of dissemination

march 2019

4-2 periodicity

From 2-3 years

5-2 availability of time series (mention available time series of this survey)

There is a time series for 1997, 1992, 2002, 2006, 2008, 2010, 2013 ,2017.

3- Accuracy

3-1 overall accuracy (very high if all items in checklist are implemented, high if two thirds are implemented, medium if less than half the items are implemented)

Very high

3-2 sources of inaccuracy

Errors of lack of inspection

3-3 available accuracy measures

Descriptive accuracy measures

4- Comparability

4-1 comparability over time (ability to compare data with previously published data)

This data is comparable with the data produced previously (excluding expenditure data) due to the difference in using the survey methodology while continuing to use the application of international standards. ?

4-2comparability with other statistics (ability to compare data with figures in other surveys, and with other countries)

The data is comparable with other statistics, which use the same international standards and classifications relative to employment and unemployment.

5- Data accessibility

5-1 publication formats (how can the user access the data, e.g. DOS website, paper copies, etc..)

The data is published in electronic format on DOS website. (http://www.dos.gov.jo/)