

HB110: HOUSEHOLD TYPE

Topic and detailed topic: Person and household characteristics / Household composition - additional specific details

Variable type: Core Variable/Annual

Unit: Household

Reference period: Current

Mode of collection: Derived

In use (period): New, from 2021

Series' differences: No changes

VALUES AND FORMAT

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| 1 | One-person household |
| 2 | Lone parent with at least one child aged less than 25 |
| 3 | Lone parent with all children aged 25 or more |
| 4 | Couple without any child(ren) |
| 5 | Couple with at least one child aged less than 25 |
| 6 | Couple with all children aged 25 or more |
| 7 | Other type of household |

FLAGS

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| 1 | Filled |
| -1 | Missing |
| -7 | Not applicable (HB010 < 2021) |

DESCRIPTION

The household grid (R file variables - RG_Z#: GRID) provides basic information for constructing this variable. This variable was introduced as part of the list of standardised variables and will be implemented from 2021 onwards. Therefore, in those cases where the grid or the age of children is missing this variable should have the value missing and the flag '-1' should be filled.

Household type is defined by a private household composition, where:

- A 'couple' is defined as a pair of individuals considered as partners in terms of their actual living arrangements within the household, regardless of whether the relationship with the partner is legally registered (e.g., marriage or civil union) or a de facto relationship (cohabiting partners).
- The term 'child(ren)' refers to the presence of son(s) or daughter(s) in the household, either natural/adopted or stepson/stepdaughter.

'Natural/adopted son/daughter or stepson/stepdaughter' refers to a natural (biological), adopted or step member of the family (regardless of age or partnership/relationship status) who has usual residence in the household of at least one of the parents.

'Adoption' means taking and treating a biological child of other parents as one's own in so far as provided by the laws of the country whereby means of a judicial process the adopted child - whether related or not to the adopter - acquires the rights and status of a biological child born to the adopting parents.

'Stepson/stepdaughter' refers to a situation in which a stepparent treats the child of his/her partner as one's own in so far as provided by the laws of the country, without adopting it; and foster children and children-in-law are not covered by this category.

- A 'lone parent' is a parent not living with a (legal or de facto) partner in the same household who has most of the day-to-day responsibilities in raising the child or children.
- Other type of households are those which do not fall in any of the above categories.