

PL111A: ECONOMIC ACTIVITY OF THE LOCAL UNIT FOR THE MAIN JOB

Topic and detailed topic: Labour market participation / Elementary job characteristics

Variable type: Core variable/Annual

Unit: All current household members aged 16 years and over or selected respondent (where applicable)

Reference period: Current

Mode of collection: Personal interview (proxy as an exception for persons temporarily away or in incapacity) or registers

In use (period): Yes, since 2008 (split as A and B from 2021)

Series' differences: Yes, 2009 (with the changes of PL030 to PL031) and 2021 with the change of PL031 to PL032

VALUES AND FORMAT

NACE Rev.2 Code (2 digits / See Annex: NACE – Statistical Classification of Economic Activities)⁵⁶

FLAGS

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| 1 | Collected via survey/interview |
| 2 | Collected from administrative data |
| 3 | Imputed |
| 4 | Not possible to establish a source |
| -1 | Missing |
| -2 | Not applicable (PL032 not equal to 1) |
| -3 | Not applicable (Non-selected respondent (RB245 equal to 3)) |
| -7 | Not applicable (PB010 < 2021) |

DESCRIPTION

This variable is part of the standardised variable list of social variables. From the 2008 operation onwards, the classification NACE Rev.2 should be used⁵⁷.

The variable is defined according to the Statistical Classification of Economic Activities (Nomenclature statistique des activités économiques dans la Communauté européenne, NACE) Rev. 2. It determines the economic sector or kind of economic activity of the local unit in which the person's job is located.

The local unit is an enterprise or part thereof (e. g. a workshop, factory, warehouse, office, mine or depot) situated in a geographically identified place. At or from this place economic activity is carried out for which one or more persons work (even if only part-time) for one and the same enterprise (Council Regulation n°696/93).

The variable refers to the main job of a person in employment.

The term job is used in reference to employment. One job is a set of tasks and duties performed for a single economic unit. Persons may have one or several jobs. For employees, each contract can be considered as a separate set of tasks and duties, and consequently as a separate job. Those in self-employment will have as many jobs as the economic units they own or co-own, irrespective of the number of clients served. In cases of multiple job-holding, the main job is that with the longest hours usually worked, as defined in the international statistical standards on working time.

The category 'not applicable' covers persons not in employment included in Flag '-2'.

⁵⁶ <https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/nace>

⁵⁷ Agreement during the Living Conditions Working Group meeting in June 2008 and Commission Regulation (EC) N° 973/2007 of 20 August 2007 amending certain EC Regulations on specific statistical domains implementing the statistical classification of economic activities NACE Revision 2.