

## HS110: DO YOU HAVE A CAR

**Topic and detailed topic:** Living conditions, including material deprivation, housing, living environment, access to services / Material deprivation

**Variable type:** Annual

**Unit:** Household

**Reference period:** Current

**Mode of collection:** Household respondent

**In use (period):** Yes, since first year of EU-SILC data collection

**Series' differences:** No changes

### VALUES AND FORMAT

- 1 Yes
- 2 No, cannot afford
- 3 No, other reason

### FLAGS

- 1 Filled
- 1 Missing

### DESCRIPTION

The variable records whether the household has a car or whether the household does not have a car because it cannot afford it (enforced lack) or for other reasons. 'Enforced lack' implies that the item is something that the household would like to have but cannot afford.

Possessing the item does not necessarily imply ownership: the item may be rented, leased, provided on loan, or shared with other households. If the item is shared between households, the answer is 'YES' if there is adequate/easy access (i.e., household can use the durable whenever it wants) and 'NO' otherwise.

In the case of owning a car, the household is considered to possess it if any member possesses it.

A company car or van which is available to the household for private use counts as possessing the item. A car or van provided ONLY for professional purposes, should not be considered as possessing the item.

Motorcycles are excluded.

Suggested question:

*Does your household have a car/van for private use?*

*If you do not have a car/van:*

- (a) Would you like to have it but cannot afford it, or*
- (b) Do you not have one for other reasons e.g. you do not want it or need it.*