

worked, it should be possible to detect and even to correct implausible answers, since part-time work will rarely exceed 35 hours, while full-time work will usually start at about 30 hours.

**Employee:** Employees are defined as persons who work for a public or private employer and who receive compensation in the form of wages, salaries, fees, gratuities, payment by results or payment in kind. Non-conscripted members of the armed forces are also included.

An employee is usually working for an outside employer, but a son or daughter, for example, who is working in a parent's firm and receives a regular wage is classified as an employee.

A woman looking after children in her own home is classified as an employee if she is paid to do this by the local authority (or any other public administration) and if she does not take any decision affecting the enterprise (e.g., schedules or number of children). She is classified as self-employed if she undertakes such work privately.

Apprentices or trainees receiving remuneration should be considered as employees.

Priests (of any kind of religion) are considered as employees.

Persons who are simultaneously working in their own professional practice and for a public or private employer (e.g., doctors with their own practice and working in a hospital) should be classified according to the where they work the greater number of hours.

It does not include:

- **Self-employed** means persons who work in their own business, professional practice or farm to earn a profit.
- **Family worker** means persons who help another member of the family run an agricultural holding or other business, provided they are not considered as employees.
- **Retirement, early retirement** means persons who have left their work for reasons of age. Early retirement due to enough seniority is also to be included.
- Pupil, student, further training, unpaid work experience.
- Permanently disabled and/or unfit to work.
- Compulsory military community or service.
- Fulfilling domestic tasks and care responsibilities.
- Other inactive persons.

Note: The total number of months recorded for the respondent in PL073+ PL074+ PL075+ PL076+ PL080+ PL085+ PL086+ PL087+ PL087+PL089+ PL090 cannot exceed 12.