

RB100: SAMPLE PERSON OR CO-RESIDENT

Topic and detailed topic: Technical items / Identification

Variable type: Annual

Unit: All current household members (of any age)

Reference period: Constant

Mode of collection: Frame or interviewer

In use (period): Yes, since 2005, in 2021

Series' differences: 2021 (reference period changed to constant, former household members are no longer considered as unit, and age limit used to define sample persons increased to 16 years)

VALUES AND FORMAT

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| 1 | Sample person |
| 2 | Co-resident |

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| 1 | Filled |
| -1 | Missing |

DESCRIPTION

Sample persons: means a member of the private household in the initial sample who is at least 16 years old at the end of the income reference period.

Initial sample: Refers to the sample of households or persons at the time it is selected for inclusion in EU-SILC.

Age limit used to define sample persons: In the case of a four-year panel, this age limit shall not be 16 year or higher at the end of the income reference period. In countries with a four-year panel using a sample of addresses or of households, all household members aged 16 and over in the initial sample shall be sample persons.

In countries with a four-year panel using a sample of persons, this shall involve the selection of at least one such person per household. For an initial sample of persons, the term applies only to the individuals selected (normally one per sample household).

Co-residents or non-sample persons means a current household member other than a sample person.

Sample household means a private household containing at least one sample person.

Implementation

For countries selecting a sample of households (addresses) and using the Eurostat integrated design, each sub-sample will be a panel and it will be followed over the course of four years.

In the first wave of each four-year panel, all household members aged 16 and over will be a **sample person**. Household members aged less than 16 will be **co-residents**.

In the second wave and so forth, the co-residents will be those household members that are aged less than 16 (at the moment of the sample selection) plus household members who joined a sample household after the first wave.