

## PD050: GET-TOGETHER WITH FRIENDS/FAMILY [RELATIVES] FOR A DRINK/MEAL AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH

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

**Variable type:** 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)

**In use (period):** Yes (Applicable for years: 2009 and from 2013)

**Series' differences:** No changes

### VALUES AND FORMAT

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

### FLAGS

- 1 Filled
- 1 Missing
- 3 Not applicable (Non-selected respondent (RB245 equal to 3))

### DESCRIPTION

Friends should be understood as people the respondent enjoys being with and with whom the respondent shares private matters.

The family, or relatives, should be understood in its widest meaning. It includes father/mother/children, siblings, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, nephews, nieces, families-in-law, etc.

To get together for a drink/meal: To get-together for a drink/meal means spending time eating and/or drinking with friends or family (relatives) at home or elsewhere (restaurant, pub, etc.). Getting together with friends for professional matters only is excluded.

The 'No - cannot afford it' answer for getting together for a drink/meal refers to the financial exclusion/deprivation.

The 'No - other reason' answer for this variable refers to another type of exclusion, namely the social exclusion.

This formulation is thought to be more adapted in a cross-national perspective because having friends at home is not the main way to have social relation in all countries. This variable aims to take into account the multi-cultural specificities as well as the financial and social aspects of deprivation.

Suggested question:

*Do you get-together with friends/family (relatives) for a drink/meal at least once a month?*