

## PB200: CONSENSUAL UNION

**Topic and detailed topic:** Person and household characteristics / Demography

**Variable type:** Annual

**Unit:** All current household members aged 16 and over

**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 the first year of the EU-SILC data collection

**Series' differences:** No changes

### VALUES AND FORMAT

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| 1 | Yes, on a legal basis      |
| 2 | Yes, without a legal basis |
| 3 | No                         |

### FLAGS

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| 1  | Collected via survey/interview          |
| 2  | Collected from administrative data      |
| 3  | Imputed                                 |
| 4  | Not possible to establish a main source |
| -1 | Missing                                 |

### DESCRIPTION

Marital status is the conjugal status of each individual in relation to the marriage laws of the country (i.e., de jure status). It therefore does not necessarily correspond with the actual situation of the household in terms of co-habitation, arrangements, etc.

Some countries have a legal framework for registering partnerships.