

**HS190: Crime, violence or vandalism in the area**

<b>Domain/Area</b>	Social exclusion/Physical and social environment
<b>Transmission type</b>	Regular
<b>Reference period</b>	Current
<b>Unit</b>	Household
<b>Mode of collection</b>	Household respondent
<b>Values</b>	1 Yes 2 No
<b>Flags</b>	1 Filled -1 Missing

**Description**

Format of the question: *Do you have any of the following problems related to the place where you live: crime, violence and vandalism in the local area?*

The objective is to assess whether the respondent feels 'crime, violence or vandalism' to be a problem for the household (not the fact of whether they are bothered by the problem). No common standards as to what constitutes a problem are defined.

A reference to the area (situated close to the place where you live) should be clearly indicated both in the national questionnaires and in the national interviewers' guidelines.

A clear definition is to be provided for defining 'Crime': Translation of the word 'crime' is to be carefully checked as it has a different meaning in different languages.

A clear footnote will be provided for defining 'crime'. Crime is to be defined as a deviant behaviour that violates prevailing norms, specifically, cultural standards prescribing how humans ought to behave normally. A legalistic approach is not to be used (this is not defined as any blameworthy act or oversight banned by law and penalised by the State).

Examples are only to be given in the interviewers' guidelines and can include thefts, illegal activities.

This question should be included as an item under a single question.