

Swiss-SEP 2.0 index

Report 1.07 - data prep

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1 Data sources

1.1 SNC - buildings

1.1.1 Eligible buildings

Origin buildings are defined as all buildings for which index is going to be calculated. These buildings need to:

1. Be present at least once in the **period of 2010-2014** in the SNC dataset.
2. Have valid 2010+ **building ID**.
3. Have valid 2010+ **geographical coordinates**.
4. Belong to category of 'normal' **residential buildings** (ie. no prisons, churches or nursing homes; see Appendix).

Buildings are selected from the `snc2_std_pers_90_00_14_all_206_full` dataset and processed as follows:

1. All buildings that have an ID and coordinates on any year from **2010** onward are selected
2. Submeter coordinates are rounded to 1m
3. **Newest** coordinates are always used when several are available under the same building ID
4. **Non-residential** buildings (see above) are excluded
5. Buildings having different ID but **same coordinates** are grouped together using synthetic 'GIS ID' (for instance 153 (sic!) different building IDs pointing to the same coordinates [on a caravan site?](#))

These coordinates become **n'hood centres** for network analysis and construction of an index.

1.1.2 Results

Distribution of years from which coordinates of a building are taken:

(SSEP 2.0 - 'origin' SNC buildings for network analysis)

Year of coordinates	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
10	9,550	0.62	0.62
11	10,426	0.68	1.30
12	13,118	0.85	2.15
13	22,880	1.49	3.63
14	1,484,614	96.37	100.00
Total	1,540,588	100.00	

Note the distinction between IDs (ie. small amount of buildings with different ID but same coordinates):

	Observations	
	total	distinct
buildid	1540588	1540588
gisid	1540588	1527177

1.2 SE

1.2.1 Eligible persons & households

Destination households are defined as all household that can provide information for calculation of the index. They need to be present in at least one Structural Survey (SE) during the period of 2012-2015. Surveys of 2010 and 2011 do not provide information about m2 area of the flat which is needed for calculation of standardised rent and were therefore excluded. Additionally, there are some reservations as to quality of the 2010 data.

In order to be included, SE personal record must (sequentially):

1. Link to household record.
2. Link to full SNC for buildid.¹
3. Link to valid coordinates (from ORIGINS dataset, see previous section).

Key variables² needed are then selected from each of the sources:

1. sncid, hhyid, age, sex, educ_agg, educ_curr, occup_isco, workstatus from the SEyy_pers_full dataset.
2. hhyid, hhstype, hhpos, hhpers, flatrooms, typeowner, rentnet from the SEyy_hh_full dataset (linked via hhyid)
3. buildid from the snc2_std_pers_90_00_14_all_206_full dataset (linked via sncid)
4. geox, geoy from the ORIGINS dataset (linked via buildid)

At next stage, individuals are excluded if:

1. Are younger than 19 at the time of SE.
2. Have one of the 'unusual' types of residence permit (Cross-border commuter (G), Short stay (L), Asylum seeker (N), People in need of protection (S), Person required to notify (Meldepflichtige), Diplomat/internat. official with diplomatic immunity, Internat. official without diplomatic immunity, Not classified elsewhere)
3. If individual participated in more than one SE, the latest record is kept.

For remaining individuals and their households, the following data are prepared:

1. Individuals are flagged if they work in **manual or unskilled occupations** (BUT only if they are in **paid employment** at the time of SE; see below).
2. Individuals are flagged if they have **no formal or have only compulsory education** AND are not currently pursuing any further education.
3. Households have their **crowding** (number of persons per room) calculated.
4. Households are flagged if they have **three to five rooms and are rented**.

¹Apart from 2015 SE data that are not yet included in the full SNC; egid identifier of the building was kindly provided by the SNC team

²Where 'yy' in the name stands for the year of the SE

1.2.2 Exclusions

Exclusion	Year			
	2012	2013	2014	2015
Start	270654	266803	272966	255969
Age <19	14791	14463	14184	12929
Permit	570	724	692	611
No household link	41319	40275	42175	35900
No building ID	38	7	4	3
Excluded building	1334	1297	1410	3962
End	227963	225224	229377	216104

The explanation of substantial amount of individuals not linked to households came from BfS:

The reference person has to fill out a form for all household members. As the FSO "calibrate" the structural survey using the information from STATPOP they decided to not include the information for the additional household members if the household structure (number of hh members, gender information) given on the SE household form didn't match the household information in STATPOP. This always applies for around 14% of the SE reference persons.

Note: Additionally older records of persons that participated in more than one SE were excluded.

Duplicates in terms of sncid

copies	observations	surplus
1	885591	0
2	13074	6537
3	3	2

1.2.3 Results

Distribution of SE individuals over years:

(SSEP 2.0 - 'destination' SE 2012-15 data for SwissSEP 2.0)

Survey year	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
2012	222,305	24.92	24.92
2013	224,516	25.17	50.08
2014	229,204	25.69	75.78
2015	216,104	24.22	100.00
Total	892,129	100.00	

Note the distinction between individuals, households, buildings and gisid, ie. individual and two spatial resolutions:

	Observations	
	total	distinct
sncid	892129	892129
hhid	892129	892129
buildid	892129	581256
gisid	892129	575955

1.2.4 Limitations

1. Major limitation is that, compared to SEP 1.0, there is no way to define **head of the household** - all respondents (see exclusions) of the SE are then used, irrespectively of their position in household.
2. 2014 SE dataset is **missing information on 'Sozioprofessionelle Kategorie'** (variable sopc). It has been also signalled by BfS that this variable was of poor quality in 2010-2013 years. Therefore, it is not possible to identify individuals in manual and unskilled occupations in the same way as during

construction of original index. That was mitigated by using the **ISCO-08 codes** of occupations to define manual and unskilled workers and farmers. Individuals whose occupations belong to one of the major groups 7, 8 & 9 (for manual and unskilled) and 6 (farmers) were selected.³ Note that occupation codes are available only for people in **paid employment** so the denominator for calculating 'employment' domain was adapted and all individuals that were not in paid employment were excluded. Also - small proportion of people eligible for calculations based on ISCO codes had them missing. Again, they were included in the study but had their profession information replaced to missing and again the denominator was adjusted to reflect that.

3. There is significant amount of individuals in SE data with **no link to household SE file** and all these records were excluded.

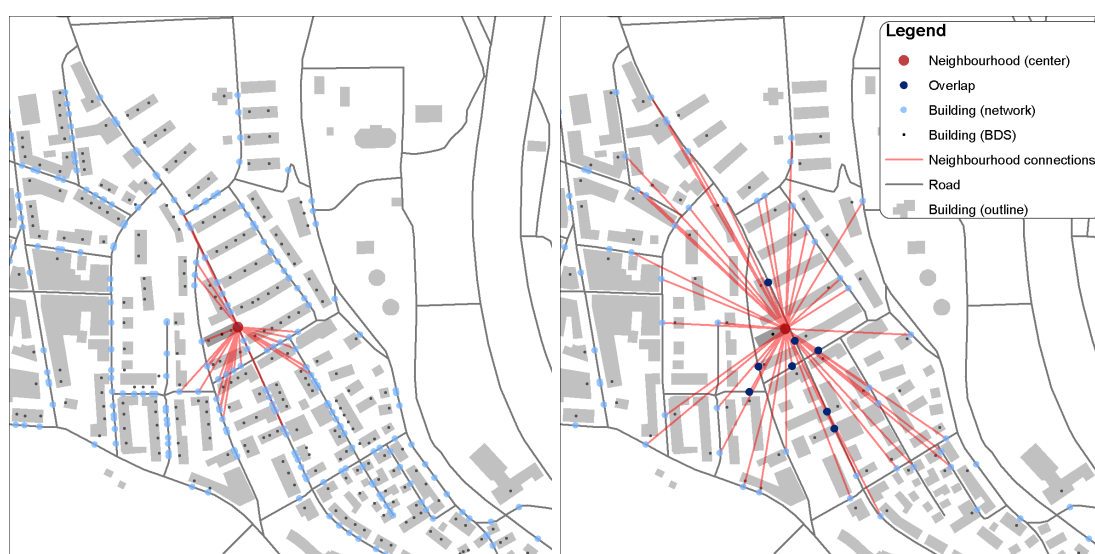
³Additionally, sensitivity analyses were done with more strict selection of ISCO codes (major groups 8 & 9 only) as well as by converting ISCO-08 codes to **ISEI-08 codes** to obtain continuous measure of 'International Socio-Economic Index of occupational status' and calculating summary of these values in n'hood

1.3 Road network

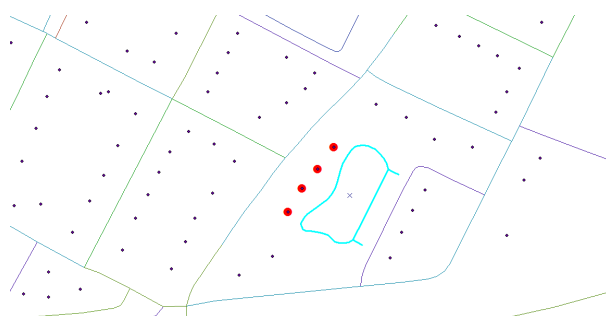
1.3.1 Setup

1. Network analyses were done using updated version of **swissTLM3D** data (1.5 version as compared to 1.0 version in the previous edition).
2. Network analyses were done using ArcGIS 10.5 (previously - ArcGIS 10.2).
3. Network analyses took all SNC buildings as ORIGINS and calculated 50 closest DESTINATIONS from the SE dataset.⁴
4. Threshold for n'hood construction was set up to be maximum 20 km (measured along the road network).⁵
5. As in the 1.0 index, separate n'hoods were created using rented, 3-5 bedroom flats as DESTINATIONS.

Schematic representation of n'hood 'search' comparing the use of all buildings to use of sample buildings could be visualized as follow:'



Small *ad hoc* corrections of the **swissTLM3D** dataset were necessary in cases where unconnected segments of the road network were found. This features were then removed:



1.3.2 Results - buildings

Vast majority of the SNC buildings (ORIGINS) have network connections to 50 SE buildings (DESTINATIONS)⁶.

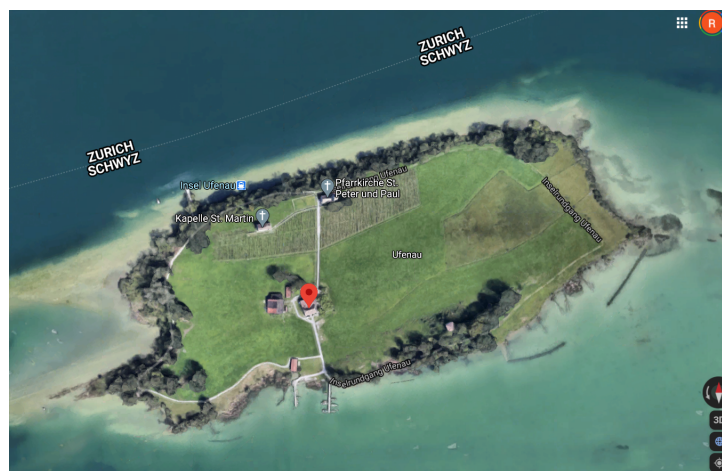
⁴In that logic, the n'hood is either constructed from one SE household and 49 SE neighbours OR 50 SE neighbours if the n'hood centre is not the SE household

⁵That was based on preliminary checks with data, results of previous analyses & common sense rationale (hard to say it's n'hood if households are more than 20km apart...)

⁶Keep in mind this results will get even better when we move from buildings to households

b_maxdest	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
1	2	0.00	0.00
26	29	0.00	0.00
41	2	0.00	0.00
44	8	0.00	0.00
45	2	0.00	0.00
49	1	0.00	0.00
50	1,527,131	100.00	100.00
Total	1,527,175	100.00	

The two cases of buildings with no neighbours are legitimate and really have no neighbours on the (highway restricted) road network: one of the buildings is located on [Ufenau Island](#), Lake Zurich; and the other - right next to highway, [on the shore of Thunersee](#). These two buildings were excluded from the analyses and have no index.



Similarly, buildings with n'hoods not meeting the 50 households threshold size will be flagged.

Few areas where less than 50 buildings were found in the n'hood (respecting 20km road network distance) were located in sparsely populated areas such as: [Gondo](#) (close to Simplon Pass) or [Avers](#) (Grisons) villages.

Building with the biggest (89!) number of SE households is located in [Lausanne](#) and is in fact pretty big.

1.3.3 Results - households

The n'hood structure of connectivity between SNC buildings & SE households changes (for better! ;) when we move from buildings to households. Keep in mind - there might be more than one SE household in a certain building and if we take that into account household n'hoods can get smaller than building n'hoods. Number of buildings (within 20km):

(SSEP 2.0 - household n'hood aggregated stats)

Variable	n	Mean	S.D.	Quantiles				
				Min	.25	Mdn	.75	Max
tot_bb	1527173	39	8	1	34	41	45	50

Number of households (within 20km):

Variable	n	Mean	S.D.	Quantiles				
				Min	.25	Mdn	.75	Max
tot_hh	1527173	51	1	28	50	50	51	91

Average distance [in meters] to the building where furthest SE household is located (within 20km):

----- Quantiles -----

Variable	n	Mean	S.D.	Min	.25	Mdn	.75	Max
max_dist	1527173	700	879	0	288	418	709	19997

1.3.4 Results - households, rent

As expected, results are slightly worse when we limit network analyses to 3-5 bedroom rented flats only.

Number of rented buildings (within 20km):

(SSEP 2.0 - household n'hood aggregated stats - rent)

Variable	n	Mean	S.D.	Quantiles				
				Min	.25	Mdn	.75	Max
tot_bb_rnt	1527173	35	8	1	31	36	41	50

Number of rented households (within 20km):

Variable	n	Mean	S.D.	Quantiles				
				Min	.25	Mdn	.75	Max
tot_hh_rnt	1527173	51	2	6	50	50	51	101

Average distance [in meters] to the building where furthest rented SE household is located (within 20km):

Variable	n	Mean	S.D.	Quantiles				
				Min	.25	Mdn	.75	Max
max_dist_rnt	1527173	1650	2051	0	492	890	2144	20000

1.4 Swiss Household Panel

1.4.1 Setup

Combined waves I, II and III of the Swiss Household Panel (SHP) dataset were used to validate the index

1. SHP households were included if:
 - (a) they provided questionnaire in 2013
 - (b) had complete information regarding the address
 - (c) address was successfully geocoded⁷
2. Same variables that were used in Table 2 of original publication are extracted⁸
3. Each geocoded household was spatially linked to the closest building from the ORIGINS dataset

1.4.2 Variables

(SSEP 2.0 - SHP '13 data for validation)

Contains data from data/SHP.dta

obs: 8,357
vars: 11

SSEP 2.0 - SHP '13 data for validation
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variable name	storage type	display format	value label	variable label
filter13	byte	%8.0g	FILTER13	Identification of the survey
idhous13	long	%12.0g	IDHOUS13	Identification number of household
nbpers13	byte	%8.0g	NBPERS13	Number of persons in household
h13i20ac	byte	%24.0g	H13I20AC	Savings min. 500 SFr monthly
h13i21ac	byte	%28.0g	H13I21AC	Reason why no savings min. 500 Sfrs monthly
h13i22	byte	%8.0g	H13I22	Savings into 3rd pillar
h13i23	byte	%28.0g	H13I23	Reasons why no savings into 3rd pillar
h13i50	byte	%47.0g	H13I50	Income: Assessment of income and expenses
h13i51	byte	%8.0g	H13I51	Financial situation manageable
h13i76a	byte	%38.0g	H13I76A	Financial help: health insurance
i13eqon	long	%12.0g	I13EQON	Yearly household income equivalised, OECD, net

Sorted by:

Note: Dataset has changed since last saved.

1.4.3 Surveys & geocoding status

(SSEP 2.0 - SHP '13 data for validation)

Identification of the survey	Geocoding status		Total
	no	yes	
SHP_II (sample 2004)	37	1,451	1,488
	2.49	97.51	100.00
	17.96	17.80	17.81
SHP_I (sample 1999)	91	2,790	2,881
	3.16	96.84	100.00
	44.17	34.23	34.47
SHP_III (sample 2013)	78	3,910	3,988
	1.96	98.04	100.00
	37.86	47.97	47.72
Total	206	8,151	8,357
	2.46	97.54	100.00
	100.00	100.00	100.00

⁷Geocoding was primarily done using Google Maps; unsuccessful attempts were checked against HERE maps and map.geo.admin.ch.

⁸Note that 'Savings min. 500 SFr monthly' has changed - it used to refer to '100 CHF'

1.5 SNC - mortality

1.5.1 Dataset - SNC complete

Firstly, association of Swiss-SEP with mortality will be assessed using two models based on complete SNC: 'age & sex' and 'semi adjusted' (additionally taking into account: nationality, civil status, language region & level of urbanization). Setup for the analyses in this scenario:

1. Individuals who are recorded in (at least one of the) 2012 - 2018 Censuses are included
2. Individuals below age 30 on the 1.1.2012 are excluded
3. Date of entry is either 1.1.2012 or earliest census if individual was not recorded in 2012
4. Individuals who died on or before 12.31.2011 are excluded (unless the death was cancelled in the dataset)
5. For individuals having information on one of the covariates recorded in several censuses the latest one is used
6. Individuals with missing civil status were excluded
7. Rhaeto-Romansch language region was merged to German
8. Individuals with no link to the index were excluded

last_census_seen — Date of last census seen

		Freq.	Percent	Valid	Cum.
Valid	31.12.2012	97123	1.85	1.85	1.85
	31.12.2013	99640	1.90	1.90	3.75
	31.12.2014	99477	1.90	1.90	5.64
	31.12.2015	98866	1.88	1.88	7.53
	31.12.2016	101768	1.94	1.94	9.47
	31.12.2017	105503	2.01	2.01	11.48
	31.12.2018	4646712	88.52	88.52	100.00
	Total	5249089	100.00	100.00	

	Observations	
	total	distinct
mortid	304162	304162
gisid	5249089	1426073

1.5.2 Dataset - SNC SE

Secondly, only individuals who participated in one of the SE surveys (2012-15) will be used in order to develop 'fully adjusted' model taking into account additionally education and occupation (note the details provided in the SE section!).

(SSEP 2.0 - SNC 2012-2015 data for mortality analyses - SE overlap)

Survey year	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
2012	177,556	25.48	25.48
2013	176,007	25.26	50.75
2014	177,380	25.46	76.21
2015	165,766	23.79	100.00
Total	696,709	100.00	

2 Appendix

2.1 Non-residential buildings

'Non-residential' buildings that were excluded from calculation of the index.

Orig. building class	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
1211 - Hotel, motel	4,906	17.69	17.69
1220 - Office building	3,982	14.36	32.05
1130 - Communities, home for the aged,	3,946	14.23	46.28
1251 - Factory, industrial building	2,898	10.45	56.73
1212 - Short-term dwelling, youth hoste	2,208	7.96	64.69
1271 - Farm, agricultural building, gre	1,805	6.51	71.20
1230 - Wholesale, retail, shopping mall	1,721	6.21	77.40
1274 - Prison, barrack, bus stop, publi	1,707	6.16	83.56
1264 - Hospital, nursing home, institut	1,473	5.31	88.87
1263 - School building, college, univer	1,443	5.20	94.07
1261 - Cinema, theatre, concert hall, a	455	1.64	95.71
1272 - Church, chapel, morgue	356	1.28	97.00
1242 - Parking ramp, parking garage	306	1.10	98.10
1241 - Railway station, airport	182	0.66	98.76
1265 - Sports hall, gym, tennis court	148	0.53	99.29
1252 - Storage building, warehouse, sil	141	0.51	99.80
1262 - Museum, library	55	0.20	100.00
1273 - Monument, memorial	1	0.00	100.00
Total	27,733	100.00	