**General Household Survey 2018 – Variables**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Name of variable**  ***[explanation]*** | **Values/ coding** |
| **Province** | 1 Western Cape  2 Eastern Cape  3 Northern Cape  4 Free State  5 KwaZulu-Natal  6 North West  7 Gauteng  8 Mpumalanga  9 Limpopo |
| **Population group of head of household** | 1 African/Black  2 Coloured  3 Indian/Asian  4 White |
| **Sex of head of household** | 1 Male  2 Female |
| **Age of head of household** | Age in years |
| **Type of dwelling** | 1 Dwelling/house or brick/concrete block structure on a separate stand or yard or on farm  2 Traditional dwelling/hut/structure made of traditional materials  3 Flat or apartment in a block of flats  4 Cluster house in complex  5 Town house (semi-detached house in complex)  6 Semi-detached house  7 Dwelling/house/flat/room in backyard  8 Informal dwelling/shack in backyard  9 Informal dwelling/shack not in backyard, e.g. in an informal/squatter settlement or on farm  10 Room/flatlet on a property or a larger dwelling: servants' quarters/granny flat  11 Caravan/tent |
| **Wall material**  *[Wall material of main building of the household]* | 1 Bricks  2 Cement block/concrete  3 Corrugated iron/zinc  4 Wood  5 Mud  6 Other |
| **Roof material**  *[Roof material of main building of the household]* | 1 Tile  2 Cement block/concrete  3 Corrugated iron/zinc  4 Asbestos  5 Other |
| **Floor material**  *[Floor material of main building of the household]* | 1 Earth/sand  2 Dung  3 Wood/Planks  4 Parquet/Polished wood  5 Vinyl or asphalt strips  6 Ceramic tiles  7 Cement  8 Carpet  9 Other |
| **Total number of rooms**  *[Total number of rooms occupied by household members in main and other buildings]* | Number of rooms |
| **Ownership**  *[Type of ownership of household building]* | 1 Rented  2 Owned, but not yet paid off to bank/financial institution  3 Rented from other (incl municipality and social housing institutions)  4 Owned, but not yet paid off to private lender  5 Owned and fully paid off  6 Occupied rent-free  7 Other |
| **Monthly rent or mortgage**  *[Monthly rent or mortgage paid by household]* | 1 Less than R500  2 R501-R1 000  3 R1 001-R3 000  4 R3 001-R5 000  5 R5 001-R7 000  6 More than R7 000  7 Do not know  8 Not applicable |
| **Market value**  *[Market value of buildings]* | 1 Less than R50 000  2 R50 001-R250 000  3 R250 001-R500 000  4 R500 001-R1 000 000  5 R1 000 001-R1 500 000  6 R1 500 001-R2 000 000  7 R2 000 001-R3 000 000  8 More than R3 000 000  9 Do not know |
| **Time originally built**  *[Age of building/when it was originally built]* | 1 2014–2018 (0 - 5 years)  2 2009–2013 (6 - 10 years)  3 1999–2008 (11–20 years)  4 1989–1998 (21–30 years)  5 1979–1988 (31–40 years)  6 1969–1978 (41–50 years)  7 1949–1968 (51–60 years)  8 Prior to 1949 (Older than 70 years)  9 Do not know |
| **Water source** | 1 Piped (tap) water in dwelling  2 Piped (tap) water on site or in yard  3 Borehole on site  4 Rain-water tank on site  5 Neighbour's tap  6 Public/communal tap  7 Water-carrier/tanker  8 Water vendor  9 Borehole outside yard  10 Well, spring, stream, dam or pool  11 Other |
| **Access to Electricity** | 1 Yes  2 No |
| **Main source of electricity** | 1 In-house conventional meter  2 In-house pre-paid meter  3 Connected to other source which the household pays for (e.g. connected to neighbours’ line and paying neighbours)  4 Connected to other source which the household does not pay for (e.g. connected to neighbours’ line and not paying)  5 Other  6 Not applicable |
| **Main source for cooking**  *[Which energy source is mostly used for cooking]* | 1 Electricity from mains  2 Electricity from generator  3 Gas  4 Paraffin  5 Wood  6 Coal  7 Candles  8 Animal dung  9 Solar energy  10 Other  11 None |
| **Main source for lighting**  *[Which energy source is mostly used for lighting]* |
| **Main source for water heating**  *[Which energy source is mostly used for heating water]* |
| **Main source for heating rooms**  *[Which energy source is mostly used for heating rooms]* |
| Is the household affected by the following environmental problems: | 1 Yes  2 No |
| **Problem with waste removal** |
| **Problem with littering** |
| **Problem with water pollution** |
| **Problem with Air pollution** |
| **Problem with Noise** |
| **Cell phone**  *[Household owns a cell phone]* | 1 Yes  2 No |
| **Number cell phones**  *[Number of cell phones in working condition owned by household members]* | Number of cell phones  88 – not applicable (no cell phones) |
| Which of the following can the household members use to access internet: | 1 Yes  2 No |
| * **Internet connection at home** |
| * **Internet at library or community centre** |
| * **Internet at school/ university/ college** |
| * **Internet at workplace** |
| * **Intenet café within 2km** |
| * **Internet café over 2km away** |
| * **Internet via smartphone** |
| * **Internet via other mobile access services** |
| **Own a motor vehicle**  *[Do household members own a functioning motor vehicle]* | 1 Yes  2 No |
| **Number of vehicles**  *[Number of functioning motor vehicles in household}* | Number of motor vehicles  88: not applicable (no cars) |
| **Wealth status**  *[Would you say you and your household are at present:]* | 1 Wealthy  2 Very comfortable  3 Reasonably comfortable  4 Just getting along  5 Poor  6 Very poor |
| **Happiness status**  *[Are you happier, the same or less happy with life than you were ten years ago?]* | 1 Happier  2 The same  3 Less happy |
| Which of the following does the household own: | 1 Yes  2 No |
| * **TV** |
| * **DVD/Blu-Ray player** |
| * **Satellite TV** |
| * **Computer** |
| * **Vacuum cleaner** |
| * **Washing machine** |
| * **Refrigerator** |
| * **Electric stove** |
| * **Microwave oven** |
| * **Built-in kitchen sink** |
| * **Geyser providing hot water** |
| **Number of members in household** | number |
| **Number of members with Medical aid** | number |
| **Number of children under 5** | number |
| **Number of children under 17** | number |
| **Number of adults over 60** | number |
| **Number of household members with social grants** | number |
| **Number of economically active members** | number |
| **Settlement type**  *[In what kind of settlement is the household situated?]* | 1 Urban formal  2 Traditional  3 Farms |
| **Metro**  *[Is the household situated in a metropolitan area (e.g. Johannesburg or Pretoria, City of Cape Town, Buffalo City, Nelson Mandela Bay, etc.) or not]* | 1 Yes  2 No |