



Household Finance and Consumption Network

HFCS USER DATABASE – list of updates

UDB 4.0	Released in July 2023 Initial release
UDB 3.3	Released in July 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Data for Ireland, Cyprus and France have been revised - Variables DOCOUTIL (Amount spent on utilities, annual) and DOCREDITNOTAPPL (Not applying for credit due to perceived credit constraint) added - A revision was made in the computation of income ratio derived variables - Individual country revisions were made for DHREGION (Region), RA0300_B (age in brackets) and RA0040 (country of birth)
UDB 2.5	Released in July 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Survey weights (HW0010) have been revised for France - Survey weights (HW0010) and replicate weights (WRxxxx) have been revised for Cyprus
UDB 4.0 (early dissemination)	Released in February 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - First release of wave 2021 (fourth wave) data - This version only includes data for a restricted set of countries: Belgium, Finland, Hungary, Latvia and Slovenia
UDB 3.2	Released in June 2021 Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wave 2017 (third wave) data from Spain is now included in the UDB (corresponding to the updated statistical tables on the HFCN website). - Variable DHREGION (national coding) was added to the derived variables file (D-file) for AT, CY, DE, EE, GR, FI, FR, HU, IE, IT, LT, LU, LV, SI, SK. The data labels for the codes can be found in the document UDB2. - Variable HA0100 - financially knowledgeable person was added

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Missing values of NACE and ISCO codes for the variables PE0350, PE0370, PE0450, PE0470 were corrected. - Variables HD030x corrected for Belgium, minor discrepancies for other variables due to an update of the anonymization procedure - Other technical corrections (e.g. values -1/-2 appearing in some implicates now properly coded)
UDB 3.1	<p>Released in June 2020</p> <p>Updates (only for All countries and Other countries –files):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Variables in the pensions section (PF****) have been revised for Hungary - Survey weights (HW0100) have been revised for Ireland. As weights were used as inputs to the imputation model, the revision of weights has a minimal effect also on imputed values of other variables.
UDB 2.4	<p>Released in March 2020</p> <p>Updates (only for All countries and Other countries-files):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Data from Spain now has reference year 2014 (values of balance sheet variables reported at the time of interview, fieldwork period was between September 2014 and March 2015). The Spanish data set referring to year 2011 that was in UDB 2.3 has been moved to UDB 1.5. - Following variables have been revised for Portugal, due to improvements in the imputation methodology: HD0801, HD0802, HD0803, HD0900, HB2801, HB2802, HB2803, HB2900 and PF0920. - Variables HNI0700 and HNI0800 have been revised for Belgium. In addition, small changes in other variables are observed due to the random rounding process.
UDB 1.5	<p>Released in March 2020</p> <p>Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Data from Spain now has reference year 2011. The Spanish data set referring to year 2008 is in UDB 1.5 with country code (SA0100) E1.
UDB 2.3	<p>Released in February 2019</p> <p>Updates (only for All countries and Other countries-files):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Revised values for Malta for PE0100b, PE0200, PE0300, PE0400, PE0500, PE0600, PE0700, PE0800, PE0810, PE1000, PE1100 in P-file, and HD0801, HD0802 and HD0900 in H-file. Although the revisions on self-employment business variables and self-employment income have an impact on the aggregates,

	<p>those made on employee income and labour status variables were minimal.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gross income variables were re-estimated in Poland. The following variables were modified: HG0110, HG0210, HG0310, HG0410, HG0510, and HG0610 in the H-file, and PG0110, PG0210, PG0310, PG0410, and PG0510 in the P-file. - Revised values for Finland for HW0010, HB2410, HB2501-HB2503, HB2601a-HB2603a, HC0501a, HC0502a, HD0801, HD0802, HD1010, HD1300, HD1330, HG0110, HG0210, HG0310, HG0410, HG0510, HG0610. The replicate weights were also modified. - A correction was made in the computation of the following derived variables: DA2103, DA2104, DA2105, DA2106, DA2107, DA2108, DA2109, affecting also DA2100, DA3001, DN3001, DHAQ01, DHAQ01EA, DHNQ01, DHNQ01EA. A check for missing values -1/-2 has been added for the financial assets, and they do not participate in the aggregation anymore. In the UDB 2.2, these -1/-2 values were not read as missing values, but wrongly as reported values.
UDB 1.4.1	<p>Released in February 2019</p> <p>Updates (only for All countries and Other countries-files):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Revised values for Malta for PG0210 in P-file, and HB0100, HD0801 in H-file.
UDB 2.2	<p>Released in November 2017</p> <p>Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Italy: Small revisions of values for several debt variables; values for HI0600 corrected due to coding error. - Estonia: Values of HD1400 and HD1420 corrected for two households.
UDB 1.4	<p>Released in November 2017</p> <p>Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Portugal: Values for variable HB0100 added.
UDB 2.1	<p>Released in April 2017</p> <p>Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Correct values for following non-core variables added (for countries concerned): RNA0200 (FR, IT, LU); PNA0700 and PNA0710 (ES, FR, PT); PNE1900 (ES, FR); PNF0701-03 (FR).

UDB 1.3	<p>Released in April 2017</p> <p>Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Correct values for following non-core variables added (for countries concerned): RNA0200 (FR, IT, LU); PNA0700 and PNA0710 (ES, FR, PT). - Corrected values of HD0601a-f, HD0602a-f and HD0603a-f for Portugal.
UDB 2.0	<p>Released in December 2016</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - First release of the second wave data.
UDB 1.2	<p>Released in December 2016</p> <p>Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Corrections to the data in Finland, using revised methods for certain asset components and correcting some errors. The following H-file variables were affected: HB0500, HB0900, HD1320G, HB2400, HB2900, HD0100, and HD0900. - Update of variables PF0920 and PF0930 for Italy, due to a small error detected in the first-wave data. - Update for Malta of information on panel households based on second wave interviews. Values of self-employed businesses were estimated based on second wave data for some households with self-employed members who did not report any values in the first-wave interview. Liabilities of panel households that were reported to be taken before 2010 were included in the first-wave data. Some variables that were imputed in the first wave, but collected in the second wave were corrected, if the collected and imputed values were very different. - In the Netherlands, missing observations of the value of accounts in voluntary pension schemes were re-imputed with an improved imputation methodology. The amount still owed for additional mortgages on the household main residence were corrected, due to an error detected in data processing. The impact of this correction was small. - In Portugal, the weights and their replicates were recalculated using the revised series for the population statistics, which became available after the release of the Census in 2011.
UDB 1.1	<p>Released in February 2015</p> <p>Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Update of the W-file for France, correction of the missing last replicate weights - Update of the flags for "PF0930 monthly contributions to

	<p>voluntary pension schemes” for IT and FI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Update of the variable “HNB0920 if you rented a house/flat like your house/flat, about how much rent do you think you would have to pay for a year?” for GR and IT and its flags for IT - Inclusion of a derived variable “DHIDH1 Reference person (Canberra definition)” - Removal of the panel variables RA0020, RA0030 and RA0040 (and their associated flags) - Removal of duplicated members in 10 households in Belgium for SA0010 in (1, 53, 114, 379, 1124, 1170, 1732, 1794, 1997, 2244) - Update of documentation for i) inclusion of DHIDH1 Reference person (Canberra definition) and ii) DL2200 Payments for Non-Collateralised Debt (Flow) defined as $DL2200 = \text{Sum of } (HC100x) + HC1200$ (HC0110 - leasing payments have been excluded from the definition; the calculated values did not include them before)
UDB 1.0	<p>Released in April 2013</p> <p>Initial release</p>