

SDG Goal 5

Gender equality

SDG Target 5.4

Recognize and value unpaid care and domestic work through the provision of public services, infrastructure and social protection policies and the promotion of shared responsibility within the household and the family as nationally appropriate

SDG Indicator 5.4.1

Proportion of time spent on unpaid domestic and care work, by sex, age and location

Time series

Time spent on unpaid domestic and care work

1. General information on the time series

- Date of national metadata: 11 September 2024
- National data: <http://sdg-indicators.de/5-4-1/>
- Definition: The time series measures the hours per day and the proportion of a person's total available time which is spent on unpaid domestic and care work.
- Disaggregation: age group; sex; degree of urbanisation

2. Comparability with the UN metadata

- Date of UN metadata: July 2024
- UN metadata: <https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/metadata/files/Metadata-05-04-01.pdf>
- The time series is compliant with the UN metadata.

3. Data description

- The data is based on a special evaluation from the time use survey, a voluntary survey conducted by the Federal Statistical Office in cooperation with the statistical offices of the Länder. The survey is a cluster sample with respondents of 10 years of age and older. The sample size is about 5,000 participants for the ZVE 2012/2013 and about 15,000 participants for the ZVE 2022. The participants keep a diary on three fixed days (two days during the week and one day at the weekend) with the main and secondary activities of the respective day. The survey is carried out over a period of 12 months, for the ZVE 2012/2013 from August 1, 2012 to July 31, 2013 and for the ZVE 2022 from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022. The data obtained are extrapolated to all private households using the microcensus.

4. Access to data source

- Not available.

5. Metadata on source data

- Quality Report – Time Use Survey (only available in German):
<https://www.destatis.de/DE/Methoden/Qualitaet/Qualitaetsberichte/Einkommen-Konsum-Lebensbedingungen/zeitverwendungserhebung-2012-2013.pdf>

6. Timeliness and frequency

- Timeliness: Not available.
- Frequency: Approximately every ten years

7. Calculation method

- Unit of measurement: Percentage; Houres per day
- Calculation:

$$\text{Proportion of time spent on unpaid domestic and care work} = \frac{\text{Unpaid domestic and care work [h/d]}}{24 \text{ [h/d]}} \cdot 100 [\%]$$