



Families and Generations Survey

Description

The Families and Generations Survey has the aim of providing statistical information on the current situation and the evolution of families as well as information on relations between the generations. The data collected are used as the basis for monitoring developments and as input for more detailed analysis. They therefore contribute to the targeted focusing of family and generation politics in Switzerland.

Available since: 2013

Statistical basis and survey units:

Persons in the permanent resident population living in private households aged between 15 and 79.

Features registered:

- Household composition
- Partnership; previous partnerships
- Children; interruption of professional activity/modification of employment level after child's birth; departure of the child from parental home, contact frequency and spatial distance from children; care and custody
- Desire to have children; contraception
- Division of childcare between the partners
- Use of extra-family childcare
- Grandchildren; care and contact frequency with grandchildren
- Division of housework between the partners
- Practical support in personal environment (assistance to people with health impairment, help with housework)
- Family of origin; migration; departure from parental home; contact frequency and spatial distance from parents; country of birth and education of parents
- Labour situation; wish to change employment level; partner's labour situation, education
- Financial situation; maintenance contributions; material support
- Health and well-being
- Religion, values and attitudes

Methodology

Degree of regionalisation:

Switzerland, major regions and certain cantons that have enlarged their cantonal sample.

Periodicity:

Every 5 years

Reference period:

January - December

Statistical quality of data:

Revision:

Legal bases

Federal Act of 22 June 2007 on the Federal Population Census (CC 431.112)

Ordinance of 19 December 2008 on the Federal Population Census (CC 431.112.1)

Ordinance of 30 June 1993 on the Conduct of Federal Statistical Surveys (CC 431.012.1)

Organization

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