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The HGEN file provides a set of time-consistent variables generated from the SOEP household questionnaire. It only includes households who participated in the respective year.

Up to Wave G, "old" households already known to the SOEP were surveyed at the old address with a "green" questionnaire; old households that had moved and new households received a "blue" questionnaire. While a number of questions in the blue questionnaire surveyed information for the first time (e.g. living space in square meters), this information was only asked for again in the green questionnaire in case of changes. Otherwise, the information collected in the previous wave was still valid. The variables described in the following are in part status variables in this sense: Information collected once is carried forward to subsequent waves if no address change has taken place since the previous wave. This is the case for: HGCNSTYRMIN, HGCNSTYRMAX, HGCONDIT (for Wave B to G), HG-SIZE, HGROOM, HGEQPKIT, HGEQPSHW, HGEQPIWC, HGEQPHEA, HGEQPTER, HGEQPBAS, HGEQPGAR, HGEQPWAT, HGEQPALM, HGEQPSOL, HGEQPAIR, HG-MOVEYR, HGACQUIS, HGSUBSID, HGRSUBS, HGREDUC and HGSEVAL (for Wave C to G). Furthermore, identical information is recorded in the green and blue questionnaire in separate variables (e.g. housing tenure as owner or tenant). The corresponding status variables are therefore just a compilation of these more dispersed pieces of information. Since only one common questionnaire has been used since Wave H rather than the former "blue" and "green" versions, the necessity for the aforementioned status variables disappears. However, this user-friendly redundance is maintained for reasons of consistency.

In addition, we impute missing values of the variables HGROOM, HGSIZE, HGRENT, HGHEAT, HGUTIL and HGHINC to ensure the completeness of the dataset and facilitate its usage. Details of the imputation process can be found in the description of the respective variable.

Since Wave BG, new migration samples (M3, M4, M5, and later M6) have been added. These samples provide less household information in some waves which explains the high incidence of missing values (=-5). In some waves, missing values in the HGEN variables of the samples M3-M6 are not imputed.

2 Sample Information

hid - Current Wave HH Number

19	6
27	25
35	10
43	3
51	9
60	29
78	3
86	2
94	39
108	4
116	15
124	23
132	14
140	7
159	36

	(66906 rows omitted)	449034
6506000		1
6506070		1
6506140		1
6506630		1
6506740		1
6506850		1
6507180		1
6507490		1
6507510		1
6507600		1
6507720		1
6507740		1
6508020		1
6508100		1
6508230		1

cid - Original Houshold Number, Case ID

19 27 35 43 51 60 78 86 94 108 116 124 132 140 159 6506000 6506070 6506140 650630 6506740	(56585 rows omitted)	9 50 10 3 9 93 3 2 39 4 15 23 16 7 36 448940 1 1 1 1 1 1
6506740 6506850		1 1
6507180		1
6507490		1
6507510		1
6507600 6507720		1
6507720		1
6508020		1
6508100		1

6508230

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syear -	Survey	Year
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1984		5921
1985		5322
1986		5090
1987		5026
1988		4814
1989		4690
1990		6819
1991		6699
1992		6665
1993		6637
1994		6795
1995		6968
1996		6894
1997		6810
1998		7668
	(9 rows omitted)	104761
2008		11058
2009		
		11889
2010		15414
2010 2011		15414 16819
2010 2011 2012		15414 16819 16508
2010 2011 2012 2013		15414 16819 16508 18093
2010 2011 2012 2013 2014		15414 16819 16508 18093 16037
2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015		15414 16819 16508 18093 16037 15991
2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016		15414 16819 16508 18093 16037 15991 17775
2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017		15414 16819 16508 18093 16037 15991 17775 19701
2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018		15414 16819 16508 18093 16037 15991 17775 19701 18682
2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019		15414 16819 16508 18093 16037 15991 17775 19701 18682 19030
2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020		15414 16819 16508 18093 16037 15991 17775 19701 18682 19030 20183
2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019		15414 16819 16508 18093 16037 15991 17775 19701 18682 19030

3 General Housing Information

hgacquis - Means Of Acquiring Dwelling

1	Bought From Owner	38320
2	Inheritance, Gift	24286
3	Bought, Built New	40952
4	Got Back From Public Property	6
-1	No answer	75255
-2	Does not apply	236580
-3	Not valid	0

-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	33875
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: all

If a household did not provide any information on HGACQUIS, the information from previous waves is carried forward under the condition that a change of address or ownership status (HGOWNER) has not taken place.

In Wave A to Wave G, HGACQUIS was asked only if a household was new to the SOEP or if it had changed its address. From Wave H to Wave R, HGACQUIS was also asked if a change in ownership status had taken place in the last year. Since Wave S, HGACQUIS is only asked if a change in ownership status has taken place. In consequence, households new to the SOEP without a change in ownership in the last year, do not state any information on HGACQUIS anymore. Furthermore, since Wave S, the category "Bought New or Built" is no longer included in the household questionnaire but is carried forward from last years. Given these changes in the categories and the sample that provides information for HGACQUIS, we recommend not to compare the shares of the different categories of HGACQUIS over time.

"Returned to private ownership" was surveyed only in Wave I in East Germany and is carried forward.

For more information, contact: Carsten Schröder, <cschroeder@diw.de>

	57630
	1
	7547
	54247
	121696
	56602
	1212
	1572
	1359
	1020
	611
	968
	842
	1348
	31007
(34 rows omitted)	68395
	503
	416
	391
	309
	184
	142
	62
	(34 rows omitted)

hgcnstyrmin - Earliest Possible Construction Year of Dwelling

-1	No answer	21065
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	20145
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 1984–2013, 2015–2016

HGCNSTYRMIN provides the lower limit of the time period in which the household's building was constructed. HGCNSTYRMAX provides the upper limit. E.g. if a household's HGC-NSTYRMIN is 1984 and HGCNSTYRMAX is 1990, the building was built between 1984 and 1990.

Households new to the SOEP and households who have moved since the last interview are asked for the time period of construction of the building they live in. With this information HGCNSTYRMIN and HGCNSTYRMAX are constructed. For old households the variables are carried forward from the last years. Since Wave X, households are also asked for the exact construction year. In these cases, HGCNSTYRMIN and HGCNSYTRMAX contain the same value. If a building was built before 1919, HGCNSTYRMIN contains a zero and HGCNSTYRMAX 1919.

In Wave BE, the question about the construction year was not included in the SOEP. All information for HGCNSTYRMIN and HGCNSTYRMAX derives from the previous year.

HGCNSTRMIN and HGCNSTRMAX replace CNSTYR\$\$ that has previously been distributed in \$HGEN files. The latter was a categorial variable grouping about one decade each into one category. Hence, with the last category having a flexible upper limitation and being split up regularily, sorting was ambiguous in some cases. For example, a household responding in Wave L that his house has been built "1981 or later" was not unambiguously assignable to either "1981-1990" or "1990 or later". Using HGCNSTRYRMIN and HGCNSTYRMAX, changing questions can be far better described.

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hgcnstyrmax – Latest Possible Construction Year of Dwelling

1910	1
1917	6546
1918	51084
1948	61794
1971	121696
1972	2292
1973	1212
1974	1572
1975	1359
1976	1020
1977	611
1978	968
1979	842
1980	43659
1981	932

	(34 rows omitted)	110054
2016		529
2017		430
2018		428
2019		354
2020		277
2021		170
2022		234
-1	No answer	21065
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	20145
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: 1984-2013, 2015-2016

HGCNSTYRMAX provides the upper limit of the time period in which the household's building was constructed. The generation of HGCNSTYRMAX is analogous to HGCNSTYRMIN.

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hgcondit - Condition Of House

1	In A Good Condition	224553
2	Some Renovations	96672
3	Full Renovations	12684
4	Dilapidated	499
-1	No answer	1317
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	23597
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	89952

Waves: 1984-2015

Respondent's subjective assessment of the condition of the building. In the West German sub-samples from Wave B to Wave G, the information on HGCONDIT was collected only for new households and for households with a residential move since the previous year (households with "blue" questionnaires). For households who had not moved ("green" questionnaire), the information collected in previous years was carried forward. The wording in the questionnaire was changed in the first wave of the East German sub-sample (Wave G) to better capture the rundown condition of some residential buildings in East Germany. Since Wave H the wording is identical for the entire SOEP-sample in East and West Germany. HGCONDIT was not surveyed between 2016 and 2018 (Waves BG to BI). *For more information, contact:* Carsten Schröder, <cschroeder@diw.de>

hgreval – Rent Of Dwelling Vs Comparable Dwellings

1	Very Inexpensive	12957
2	Inexpensive	39152
3	Reasonable	67492
4	Slightly Expensive	27088
5	Too Expensive	5335
-1	No answer	1643
-2	Does not apply	125873
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	169734

Waves: 1984-2002, 2005-2014

Subjective assessment by respondent (household head). This variable was not surveyed in Wave T and Wave U. The corresponding information from the previous year is not carried forward longitudinally due to the possibility of changes in rent and income, residential moves, and change in the person responding.

Since Wave BF, HGREVAL is not asked and information is neither carried backward nor forward.

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hgnuts1 – NUTS-Systematic-1 (Federal State)

1	Baden-Wuerttemberg	53485
2	Bavaria	65537
3	Berlin	19678
4	Brandenburg	17353
5	Bremen	3826
6	Hamburg	8165
7	Hesse	31880
8	Mecklenburg-West Pomerania	10099
9	Lower Saxony	39906
10	North Rhine-Westphalia	92662
11	Rhineland-Palatinate	21351
12	Saarland	3994
13	Saxony	28037
14	Saxony-Anhalt	16369
15	Schleswig-Holstein	14606
16	Thuringia	16400
-1	No answer	5
-2	Does not apply	5921
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0

- 0 -6 Ouestionnaire Version With Modified Filter 0
- -7 Only available in less restricted edition
- -8 Question not part of the survey program this year

NUTS ("Nomenclature of Statistical Territorial Units") URL is a hierarchical system for dividing up the economic territory of the European Union. It was introduced by Eurostat more than 30 years ago in order to provide a single uniform breakdown of territorial units for the production of regional statistics. NUTS 1 especially contains the major socio-economic regions for analyzing regional Community problems. It subdivides the European Union by now into 97 regions, whereas in Germany there are equivalent to the German Federal States 16 regions. Before Wave Q, Rhineland-Palatinate and Saarland were defined as one region. For more information, contact: Jan Goebel (Tel. +49-30-89789-377), <jgoebel@diw.de>

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hgnuts1_ew - NUTS-Systematic-1 (East-West Version)

21 22	West-Germany East-Germany	335412 107936
-1	No answer	5
-2	Does not apply	5921
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

4 Equipment of the Dwelling

hgroom – Number Of Rooms Larger Than 6 Sq M

0		14
1		17740
1.5		6
2		72386
2.5		10
3		134968
3.5		4
4		92249
4.5		1
5		58964
6		36030
7		17566
8		8914
9		3672
10		1772
	(18 rows omitted)	1312
45		3

50		1
51		11
60		19
80		20
82		12
93		1
-1	No answer	3599
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: all

Up to Wave R (except for Wave O), HGROOM was collected only in the first interview with new households. In case a household had moved or (from Wave H onwards) whether a household's housing unit size changed due to renovations or additions (up to Wave G, these households filled out a "green" questionnaire). In Wave O, the information had been asked again in order to correct for mistakes that may have occurred in carrying forward or in the process of imputation. From Wave S onwards, the question on the number of rooms has been asked to all households annually.

For old households still residing at their old address and neither having moved nor renovated their dwelling, the information on the number of rooms is carried forward as a status variable in order to provide valid current information. Analogously, the information is carried back to fill gaps if a households missed to state the number of rooms in the first year(s) they moved to a new housing.

In case, the information on the number of rooms is still missing, it is imputed simultaneously with other variables using Stata's chained imputation procedure. Imputed values are not carried forward. For information on the imputation procedure, see the description of HGRENT.

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hgeqpbas - Dwelling Has Basement

1	N.	406560
I	Yes	406568
2	No	30815
-1	No answer	11392
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	499
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: all

The variable indicates whether a household has a cellar or storage areas. It was introduced in Wave A (1984). Before Wave V, HGEQPBAS was collected only from new households and households who have moved since the previous interview. For this reason, in case no address change has taken place, the information for HGEQPBAS is carried forward from the previous years. Exceptions are Waves H and O, when all households were surveyed. In Wave BJ (2019), HGEQPBAS was only collected from samples M3, M4, and M5, but information is carried forward for other samples if households have not moved.

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hgeqpfhea - Equipment: Floor Heating

1	Yes	45491
2	No	184803
-1	No answer	9844
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	499
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	208637

Waves: Since 2009

The variable indicates whether a household has a floor heating (full or partial). It was introdcued in Wave Z (2009). In Wave BJ (2019), HGEQPFHEA was only collected from samples M3, M4, and M5, but information is carried forward for other samples if households have not moved.

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hgeqpfire - Dwelling Has Fireplace or Ceramic Tiled Stove

1	Yes	6498
1		
2	No	20068
-1	No Answer	224
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Answer improbable	0
-4	Inadmissible multiple response	0
-5	Not included in this version of the questionnaire	7004
-6	Version of questionnaire with modified filtering	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	415480

Waves: Since 2020

The variable indicates whether a household has a fireplace or ceramic tiled stove. It was introduced in Wave BK (2020).

hgeqpgar - Dwelling Has Garden

1	Yes	252320
2	No	182252
-1	No answer	14202
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	500
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: all

The variable indicates whether a household has (access to) a yard or garden. It was introduced in Wave A (1984). Before Wave V, HGEQPGAR was collected only from new households and households who have moved since the previous interview. For this reason, in case no address change has taken place, the information for HGEQPGAR is carried forward from the previous years. Exceptions are Waves H and O, when all households were surveyed. In Wave BJ (2019), HGEQPGAR was only collected from samples M3, M4, and M5, but information is carried forward for other samples if households have not moved. *For more information, contact:* Carsten Schröder, <cschroeder@diw.de>

hgeqphea - Dwelling Has Central, Floor Heat

1	Yes	290997
2	No	26768
-1	No answer	6922
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	94985
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	29602

Waves: 1984-2014

The variable indicates whether a household has a central heating. It was introduced in wave A (1984). Only in Wave H, Wave O, and from Wave V onwards, HGEQPHEA is asked from every household. In previous years, the variable was only collected from new households and households who had moved since the previous interview. For this reason, in case no address change has taken place, the information for HGEQPHEA is carried forward from the previous years. Additionally, from Wave G onwards the information is updated if the household has stated that it modernized its heating since January of the previous year. In Wave BF (2015), HGEQPHEA was not collected. Since wave BG (2016), HGEQPHEA is only collected from samples M3, M4, and M5.

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hgeqpinsul - Equipment: Thermal Insulation

1	Yes	75339
2	No	44184
-1	No answer	10410
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	15944
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	303397

Waves: Since 2015

The variable indicates whether a household has thermal insulation (e.g., on the facade, roof, basement ceiling). It was introduced in Wave BF (2015). In Wave BJ (2019), HGEQINSUL was not collected, but information is carried forward from previous years if households have not moved.

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hgeqpiwc - Dwelling Has Indoor Toilet

1	Yes	202210
2	No	4371
-1	No answer	2056
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	240637

Waves: 1984-2008

The variable indicates whether a household has a toilet in the flat. It was introduced in Wave A (1984). Only in Wave H, Wave O, and from Wave V to Wave Y, HGEQPIWC is asked from every household. In previous years, the variable was only collected from new households and households who had moved since the previous interview. For this reason, in case no address change has taken place, the information for HGEQPIWC is carried forward from the previous years. Additionally, from Wave B onwards, the information is updated if the household has stated that it modernized its bathroom since January of the previous year. In a second step, the information of the variable HGEQPSHW is used to replace missing and inconsistent values of HGEQPIWC. For every household with HGEQPSHW=1, HGE-QPIWC is set to 1. Since Wave Z, HGEQPWC is not asked. Since Wave BA, the information is neither carried backward nor forward.

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hgeqpkit - Dwelling Has Kitchen

1	Yes	282602
2	No	3187
-1	No answer	1571
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	161914

Waves: 1984-2013

The variable indicates whether a household has a kitchen. It was introduced in Wave A (1984). Only in Wave H, Wave O, and from Wave V onwards, HGEQPKIT is asked from every household. In previous years, the variable was only collected from new households and households who had moved since the previous interview. For this reason, in case no address change has taken place, the information for HGEQPKIT is carried forward from previous years. Additionally, from Wave B on, the information is updated if the household has stated that it modernized its kitchen since January of the previous year. Since Wave BE, HGEQPKIT is neither asked nor carried forward.

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hgeqplif - Dwelling Has An Elevator

1	Yes	23026
2	No	207405
-1	No answer	9707
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	499
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	208637

Waves: Since 2009

The variable indicates whether a household has an elevator of lift inside the building. It was introduced in Wave Z (2009). In Wave BJ (2019), HGEQPLIF was only collected from samples M3, M4, and M5, but information is carried forward for other samples if households have not moved.

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hgeqpmglass - Equipment: at Least Double Glazing

1 Yes

112632

2	No	8520
-1	No answer	8781
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	15944
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	303397

Waves: Since 2015

The variable indicates whether a household has windows with at least double glazing. It was introduced in Wave BF (2015). In Wave BJ (2019), HGEQPMGLASS was not collected, but information is carried forward from previous years if households have not moved. *For more information, contact:* Carsten Schröder, <cschroeder@diw.de>

hgeqpnobar – Equipment: Barrier Free Furnishing

1 2	Yes No	25468 144437
-1	No answer	9602
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	500
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	269267

Waves: Since 2013

The variable indicates whether a household has home furnishings that are accessible for the elderly or disabled. It was introduced in Wave BD (2013). In Wave BJ (2019), HGEQPNOBAR was only collected from samples M3, M4, and M5, but information is carried forward for other samples if households have not moved.

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hgeqpnrj – Dwelling Has Alternative Energy Source

1	Y	8330
I	Yes	0330
2	No	206968
-1	No answer	9395
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	15944
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0

Waves: Since 2009

The variable indicates whether a household has other alternative energy sources besides solar collectors or a solar energy system (e.g., geothermal heat pump). It was introduced in Wave Z (2009). In Wave BJ (2019), HGEQPNRJ was not collected, but information is carried forward from previous years if households have not moved.

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hgeqppark – Equipment: Garage/ Parking Space

1	Yes	88857
2	No	47250
-1	No answer	9269
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	501
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	303397

Waves: Since 2015

The variable indicates whether a household has a garage or parking space. It was introduced in Wave BF (2015). In Wave BJ (2019), HGEQPPARK was only collected from samples M3, M4, and M5, but information is carried forward for other samples if households have not moved.

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hgeqpshw – Dwelling Has Indoor Bath, Shower

Yes	280620
No	4860
No answer	1880
Does not apply	0
Not valid	0
Forbidden Multiple Response	0
Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
Only available in less restricted edition	0
Question not part of the survey program this year	161914
	No No answer Does not apply Not valid Forbidden Multiple Response Not Included In Questionnaire Version Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter Only available in less restricted edition

Waves: 1984-2013

The variable indicates whether a household has a bath or shower in the flat. It was introduced in Wave A (1984). Only in Wave H, Wave O, and from Wave V onwards, HGEQPSHW is asked from every household. In previous years, the variable was only collected from new households and households who had moved since the previous interview. For this reason, in

case no address change has taken place, the information for HGEQPSHW is carried forward from the previous years. Additionally, from Wave B onwards, the information is updated if the household has stated that it modernized its bathroom since January of the previous year. Since Wave BE, HGEQPSHW is not asked anymore. Since Wave BF, the information is not carried forward.

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hgeqpsol – Dwelling Has Solar System

1	Yes	23226
2	No	214786
-1	No answer	9428
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	15944
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	185890

Waves: Since 2007

The variable indicates whether a household has a solar collector or solar energy system. It was introduced in Wave X (2007). In Wave BJ (2019), HGEQPSOL was not collected, but information is carried forward from previous years if households have not moved. *For more information, contact:* Carsten Schröder, <cschroeder@diw.de>

hgeqptel - Dwelling Has Telefone

-		
I	Yes	265719
2	No	6768
-1	No answer	4603
-2	Does not apply	4640
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	7083
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	160461

Waves: Since 1990 (east) or 1991 (west) to 2008, 2010-2015

The variable indicates whether a household has a telephone. It was introduced in Wave G (1990. The question has varied over the years. In some years, households were asked very generally if they had a "telephone". In other years they were asked more specifically for a "landline telephone" and a "cellphone". HGEQPTEL is set to 1 if a household stated that it had a telephone, landline telephone, or cellphone. Additionally, the information from HBRUTTO (HTEL) is used to complete missing information. In Wave N, Wave P, and Wave Z, the household questionnaire did not ask about the possession of a telephone and HBRUTTO is the only source of data. For Wave K, no information is available.

Since Wave BG, HGEQPTEL is no longer asked in the household questionnaire (except for the samples M3 and M4 as HGEQPTEL was asked in the migration household questionaire). For this reason, it is no longer provided since Wave BG for any other samples than M3 and M4.

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hgeqpter - Dwelling Has Balcony, Terrace

1	Yes	327478
2	No	107194
-1	No answer	14103
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	499
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: all

The variable indicates whether a household has a balcony, terrace, or porch. It was introduced in Wave A (1984), Before Wave V, HGEQPTER was collected only from new households and households who have moved since the previous interview. For this reason, in case no address change has taken place, the information for HGEQPTER is carried forward from the previous years. Exceptions are Waves H and O, when all households were surveyed. In Wave BJ (2019), HGEQPTER was only collected from samples M3, M4, and M5, but information is carried forward for other samples if households have not moved. *For more information, contact:* Carsten Schröder, <cschroeder@diw.de>

hgeqpwat - Dwelling Has Water, Bioler

1	Yes	246907
2	No	3103
-1	No answer	1847
-2	Does not apply	4640
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	192777

Waves: Since 1990 (east) or 1991 (west) to 2013

The variable indicates whether a household has warm water or a boiler. It was introduced in Wave G (1990). Except for Wave H, Wave O, and from Wave V onwards, HGEQPWAT has been collected only from new households and households who have moved since the previous interview. For this reason, in case no address change has taken place, the information for HGEQPWAT is carried forward from the previous years. Since Wave BE, HGEQPWAT is not asked and since Wave BF, the information is neither carried backward nor forward. *For more information, contact:* Carsten Schröder, <cschroeder@diw.de>

hgeqpair - Dwelling Has Air Conditioner

1	Yes	5870	
2	No	232112	
-1	No answer	9458	
-2	Does not apply	0	
-3	Not valid	0	
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0	
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	15944	
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0	
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0	
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	185890	

Waves: Since 2007

The variable indicates whether a household has an air conditioner (controlled ventilation system). It was introduced in Wave X (2007). In Wave BJ (2019), HGEQPAIR was not collected, but information is carried forward from previous years if households have not moved. *For more information, contact:* Carsten Schröder, <cschroeder@diw.de>

hgeqpalm - Dwelling Has Alarm System

1	Yes	19286
2	No	258270
-1	No answer	21064
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	499
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	150155

Waves: Since 2004

The variable indicates whether a household has an alarm system. It was introduced in Wave U (2004). In Wave BJ (2019), HGEQPALM was only collected from samples M3, M4, and M5, but information is carried forward for other samples if households have not moved. *For more information, contact:* Carsten Schröder, <cschroeder@diw.de>

5 Costs of Living, Size, and Rooms (Imputed Variables)

hgrent - Amount Of Rent Minus Heating Costs

0		34
1		7
2		4
3		8
4		5
5		21
6		12
7		13
8		18
9		27
10		63
11		32
12		62
13		68
14		62
	(1990 rows omitted)	236770
5915		1
6000		2
6700		2
7318		1
12300		1
51790		1
56493		1
-1	No answer	467
-2	Does not apply	198774
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	12818
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: all

HGRENT is a measure of gross rent, i.e. it equal to the base rent plus utility costs (HGUTIL) but does not include heating (HGHEAT), electricity costs (HGELECTR) and additional gas costs (HGGAS). HGRENT is converted into Euro values for all waves including those prior to Wave S.

The questions for HGRENT and utility costs have changed considerably since the first SOEP questionnaire in Wave A. From Waves A to Wave G, the amount of rent stated by the households in SOEP is in principle the desired concept of gross rent, i.e. basic rent excluding heating and electricity costs but including utility costs. However, in these waves the information on utility costs was not collected.

From Wave H onwards, households simply state the amount of rent they pay. Following this question, it is asked whether heating and utility costs are included in that amount of rent and what the exact costs for heating and utilities eventually are (in the latter case only if they are included).

In Wave BE and Wave BF, the questionnaire design was different to all other waves. In a first step, households were asked for their overall monthly housing costs (sum of base rent, heating costs, additional utility costs, electricity and gas). In a second step, they stated the respective expenses. In order to obtain RENT\$\$, heating, gas, and electricity costs have

to be deducted from these overall monthly housing costs. In Wave BE, some households state monthly housing costs that presumably do not include all possible expenses. They might do so because they do not know all their expenses or because they misunderstood the question. We attribute the drop of rent from Wave BD to Wave BE and Wave BF to the different questionnaire design and do no longer adjust the values as we did in data release v31. Therefore, the average rent of Wave BE (data release v31) is about 10 Euros lower in data release v32 and v33 than it was in v31. Both, in Wave BE and Wave BF, implausible values of rent (e.g. if utility costs are above total living costs) have been set to missing to be imputed in the following step.

The questionnaire design in Wave BG was set back to the format of Wave BD.

Missing values of HGRENT are treated as follows: In a first step, past values of the two last years are carried forward and adjusted for inflation given that the household still lives at the same address and the dwelling's size has remained the same. The type of rent (heat-ing/utility costs included or not) is then also carried forward. In a second step, if HGRENT is still missing, values of the two subsequent years are carried backwards in the same manner. In a third step, the remaining missing values of HGRENT are imputed by Stata's chained imputation procedure. Imputed values are not carried forward.

General Information on the Imputation Procedure Since data release v31, missing values of HGROOM, HGSIZE, HGRENT, HGHEAT, HGUTIL, and HGELECTR are imputed with Stata's chained imputation procedure (mi impute chained). We impute separately for each wave, for East and West and for owners and tenants. The regression specifications vary between these groups but in general they include:

- For owner:
 - HGROOM, HGSIZE, HGCONDIT, HGCNSTYRMAX
 - Number of persons in household
 - Household net income as stated in questionnaire
 - Type of dwelling (family house, apartment, etc.)
- For tenants:
 - HGROOM, HGSIZE, HGRENT, HGHEAT, HGUTIL, HGELECTR, HGCON-DIT, HGCNSTYRMAX, HGEQPHEA, HGEQPFHEA, HGEQPTER, HGEQP-GAR, HGEQPSOL, HGEQPAIR, HGCNSTYRMAX, HGREVAL, HGREDUC
 - HGSIZE squared
 - Number of persons in household
 - Household net income as stated in questionnaire
 - Type of dwelling (family house, apartment, etc., \$\$wum1)
 - Type of tenant
 - Dummy: HGHEAT included in HGRENT (Wave G to Wave BD)
 - Dummy: HGUTIL included in HGRENT (Wave H to Wave BD)
 - Dummy: HGUTIL partly included in HGRENT (Wave H to Wave BD)
 - Dummy: HGHEAT includes electricity costs (since Wave BE)
 - Dummy: household pays only utility costs (since Wave BE)
 - Household has children younger than 16

In addition, the regression of HGRENT contains HGRSUBS, a dummy for children under 16, information on the residential area (\$\$wum3) and BIK regions. The regression of HGHEAT includes a dummy for children under 16. The regression of HGUTIL includes HGEQPLIF and omits HGRENT, HGCONDIT, the type of dwelling and the dummy for

HGRENT is not normalized across households before imputation and may include heating and utility costs or not. Solely partially included utility costs are subtracted. We use dummies for HGHEAT/HGUTIL included in HGRENT to account for the different types of rent. Note that these dummies are also imputed if they are missing. If HGUTIL contains a partial amount, it is set to missing and then also imputed.

Residents of homes (HGOWNER==5) are excluded from the imputation. Values larger than four times the 99th percentile in one of the target variables are also excluded.

For all six target variables, the predictive mean matching imputation method is applied. We use 175 iterations as burn-in period. Furthermore, we only distribute one imputed value for each observation.

Gross warm rent including electricity (Bruttowarmmiete inkl. Strom) could be computed from this data as follows: HGRENT + HGHEAT + HGELECTR.

HGRENT is set missing (=-5) for all M3 and M4 respondents although the migration household questionnaire surveyed rent information. However, the surveyed information for M3 and M4 is not comparable with the information for the other samples as information on HGHEAT, HGUTIL, HGELECTR, etc. is not surveyed.

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hgrentinfo – Pays Rent and/or Utilities

1	Pays Rent	81379
2	Pays Utility Costs, but No Rent	2729
3	Does Not Pay either Rent or Utilities	1767
-1	No answer	374
-2	Does not apply	62847
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	12818
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	287360

Waves: Since 2014

HGRENTINFO is a filter question for housing costs. It was introduced in Wave BE and replaces NORENT\$\$ in \$HGEN files.

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hgnorent - Does Not Pay Rent

1	Pays No Rent	12732
-1	No answer	442
-2	Does not apply	423257
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	12843
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0

-7	Only available in less	restricted edition
'	only available in 1655	

-8 Question not part of the survey program this year 0

Waves: 1984–2013

HGNORENT marks tenants who do not a pay rent. Until Wave BD, it was a filter question for all housing costs such that non-rent paying tenants were not asked for HGHEAT, HGUTIL and HGELECTR. In Wave BE, the filter question was rephrased and tenants were asked for their utility costs even if they stated not to pay a rent. To maintain consistency over time, we set HGNORENT to 1 for all tenants who only pay utility costs. RENTINFO\$\$ contains the information of the new filter question.

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0		5
1		10
2		1
3		7
4		10
5		18
6		8
7		7
8		18
9		12
10		170
11		25
12		53
13		45
14		64
	(321 rows omitted)	116001
580		1
690		1
700		1
828		1
840		1
950		1
960		1
-1	No answer	2281
-2	Does not apply	97188
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	12818
-6 7	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	220526

hgelectr - Costs of Electricity (gen)

Waves: Since 2010

Costs for electricity (excluding arising expenses for heating if applicable) have been collected starting from Wave BA if tenants pay a rent. From Wave BE onwards, they have been collected from all tenants. In Wave BF, total electricity costs were explicitly asked for so that costs for heating and warm water were substracted to generate HGELECTR that year. Furthermore, due to changes in the questionaire design in Wave BF, HGELECTR is neither carried backward nor forward. See HGHEAT for further explanations on housing costs in Wave BF.

Missing values of HGELECTR are treated as follows: In a first step, past values of the two last years are carried forward and adjusted for inflation given that the household still lives at the same address, the dwelling's size has remained the same and the rent has not changed considerably. In a second step, if HGELECTR is still missing, values of the two subsequent years are carried backwards in the same manner. In a third step, the remaining missing values of HGELECTR are imputed by Stata's chained imputation procedure. Imputed values are not carried forward. We do not impute HGELECTR for years before Wave BA. For more information on the imputation procedure, see the see the description of HGRENT. *For more information, contact:* Carsten Schröder, <cschroeder@diw.de>

hgelectrinfo - Reason for Missing Electricty Costs

1	Electricity Costs Unknown	3
2	Electricity Costs Included in Heating Costs	282
3	No Electricity Costs	3554
-1	No answer	278
-2	Does not apply	128872
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	12934
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	303351

HGELECTRINFO was introduced in Wave BE and indicates why HGELECTR is missing. If a household stated that it did not know its electricity costs, we impute HGELECTR and set HGELECTRINFO to -2.

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hggas – Costs of Gas (EUR)

0	40	
1	1	
3	1	
4	1	
5	9	
6	6	
7	10	
8	13	
9	12	
10	15	

11		6
12		7
13		7
14		3
15		16
	(115 rows omitted)	783
210		1
213		1
220		1
234		1
250		5
300		3
550		1
-1	No answer	9694
-2	Does not apply	5400
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	287360
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	145877

HGGAS states the monthly costs for gas not used for heating in Euros. HGGAS was only collected in 2014 (wave BE). Missing values of HGGAS are not imputed due to the low number of households which state gas costs.

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hggasinfo - Reason for Missing Gas Costs

1	Gas Costs Unknown	1051
2	Electricity Costs Included in Heating Costs	1545
3	No Gas Costs	5392
-1	No answer	8
-2	Does not apply	8041
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	287360
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	145877

HGGASINFO has only been asked in Wave BE and indicates why a household did not state additional gas costs that were not included in the heating costs.

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hgheat - Costs Of Warm Water, Gen

0		450
0		458
1		20
2		24
3		19
4		23
5		155
6		78
6.5		1
7		181
8		96
9		111
10		773
11		145
12		430
13		204
	(459 rows omitted)	226088
972		2
999		2
1040		1
1125		1
2200		1
8080		1
-1	No answer	8185
-2	Does not apply	188213
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	24061
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0
-285	Question not part of the survey program this year	1
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Waves: Since 1986

HGHEAT contains the heating costs of tenants. It is collected since Wave C. Until Wave BD, only tenants who stated to pay a rent were asked. Since Wave BE, every tenant was asked. Heating costs are reported in Euro for all years.

In Wave BF, HGHEAT has not been asked for directly. Instead, respondents stated their costs for different energy sources (district heating, gas, liquefied gas, electricity, heating oil, coal, wood, biomass, solar, and geothermal heat) and whether they use them for heating, warm water, cooking, and/or electronic devices respectively (if applicable). To generate HGHEAT, costs for cooking and electricity costs other than heating have been excluded by regressing the usage-dummies and controlling for household-specific (number of people living in the household, type of tenant) and dwelling-specific variables (number of rooms, size of the dwelling, construction year, living environment). The shares for heating and warm water were then added to generate HGHEAT. Due to changes in the questionaire design, firstly, HGHEAT is lower in Wave BF than it has been in previous and following years and secondly, HGHEAT from Wave BF is neither carried backward nor forward. In file HGEN, only HGHEAT is distributed. All energy cost variables can be found in the dataset BFH. Missing values of HGHEAT are treated as follows: In a first step, past values of the two last years are carried forward and adjusted for inflation given that the household still lives at

the same address, the dwelling's size has remained the same and the rent has not changed considerably. In a second step, if HGHEAT is still missing, values of the two subsequent years are carried backwards in the same manner. In a third step, the remaining missing values of HGHEAT are imputed by Stata's chained imputation procedure. Imputed values are not carried forward. In contrast to previous versions of the SOEP, we do not impute HGHEAT for Wave A and Wave B anymore, since data release v32. For more information on the imputation see the see the description of HGRENT.

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hgheatinfo – Reason for Missing Heating Costs

1	Heating Costs Unknown	20
I	5	20
3	No Heating Costs	6050
-1	No answer	296
-2	Does not apply	126622
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	12935
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	303351

Waves: Since 2014

HGHEATINFO was introduced in Wave BE and indicates why HGHEAT is missing. If a household stated that it did not know its heating costs, we imputed HGHEAT and set HGHEATINFO to -2.

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1900		1
1901		34
1902		11
1903		7
1904		18
1905		4
1906		24
1907		97
1908		8
1909		47
1910		19
1911		18
1912		69
1913		22
1914		33
	(101 rows omitted)	399964
2016		10315
2017		8338

hgmoveyr - Year Moved Into Dwelling

2018		6685
2019		5307
2020		2510
2021		2023
2022		1169
-1	No answer	12551
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: all

HGMOVEYR contains the year of moving into the household of the person who answers the household questionnaire. For old households at their old address data is carried forward for up to two years. For new households in SOEP and for old households that have moved the variable is based on newly collected data. In case the information is missing and an old household has moved that year or the previous year, HGMOVEYR is given the value of the year of the respective wave.

The carrying forward of data entails the possibility that the year of moving into the new dwelling may lie before the year of birth of the oldest household member.

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0		5
1		266
2		476
3		181
4		127
5		669
6		186
7		299
8		316
9		150
10		2531
11		172
12		780
13		254
14		208
	(401 rows omitted)	186332
880		1
900		6
930		1
940		1
950		1
1150		1

Ì	hautil	- Other	Monthly	/ Utility	/ Costs
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1400		1
-1	No answer	7810
-2	Does not apply	183868
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	26950
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	37682

hgutilinfo - Reason for Missing Additional Utility Costs

1	Utility Costs Unknown	31
3	No Other Additional Utility Costs	16482
-1	No answer	290
-2	Does not apply	132176
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	12935
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	287360

hgseval - Adequacy Of Living Space In Housing Unit

1	Much Too Small	12754
2	A Bit Too Small	67293
3	Just Right	312172
4	A Bit Too Large	45189
5	Much Too Large	5976
-1	No answer	5890
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: all

Subjective assessment by respondent (household head). From Wave C to Wave G, the information on HGSEVAL was only collected for new households or households that had moved (households with "blue" questionnaires) and immobile households whose HGSIZE had changed. In these Waves, HGSEVAL is carried forward from previous years. *For more information, contact:* Carsten Schröder, <cschroeder@diw.de>

1		3
5		1
6		16
7		1
8		21
9		41
10		146
11		56
12		369
13		59
14		174
15		430
16		387
17		107
18		324
	(343 rows omitted)	443122
700		1
720		1
754		1
800		1
838		2
900		2
938		1
-1	No answer	4008
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: all

Up to Wave R (except for Wave O), HGSIZE was collected only in the first interview with new households. In case a household had moved or whether a household's housing unit size had changed due to renovations or additions (up to Wave G, these households filled out a "green" questionnaire). From Wave S onwards, the question on the size of the housing unit has been posed to all households annually. For households still residing at their old address and neither having moved nor renovated their dwelling, the information on the size of the housing unit is carried forward as a status variable in order to provide valid current information. Analogously, the information is carried back to fill gaps if households missed to state the size of the housing in the first year after moving.

In the case the information on the size of the housing unit is still missing, it is imputed simultaneously with other variables using Stata's chained imputation procedure. Imputed values are not carried forward. For information on the imputation procedure, see the description of HGRENT.

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hgf2rent - Detailed Imputation Flag, Rent Minus Heating Costs

0	Not imputed	366219
1	Reported Rent Corrected for Imputed Heat	33408
2	Reported Rent Corrected for Imputed Util	35852
3	Reported Rent Corrected for Imputed Electr	709
4	Reported Rent Corrected for Heat and Util	3755
5	Reported Rent Corrected for Heat and Electr	2542
6	Reported Rent Corrected for Util and Electr	34
7	Reported Rent Corrected for Heat, Util and Electr	35
8	Reported Rent, at least one Sub-Aggregate Imputed	4005
9	Rent Imp., Sub-Aggregates Not Imputed	842
10	Rent Imp. and Corrected For Imp. Heat	723
11	Rent Imp. and Corrected For Imp. Util	507
12	Rent Imp. and Corrected For Imp. Electr	12
13	Rent Imp. and Corrected For Imp. Heat and Util	215
14	Rent Imp. and Corrected For Imp. Heat and Electr	301
15	Rent Imp. and Corrected For Imp. Util and Electr	31
16	Rent Imp. and Corrected For Imp. Heat, Util and Electr	26
17	Rent Imp. & at least one Imp. Sub-Aggregates	58
-1	No answer	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
, -8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0
0	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: all

HGF2RENT indicates whether or not HGRENT has been imputed (=1) by Stata's chained imputation procedure.

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hgfelectr – Imputation Flag, Costs of Electricity

0	Not imputed	219870
1	Imputed by PMM	5355
2	Electricity Costs from Previous or Subsequent Years	3523
-1	No answer	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	220526

HGFELECTR indicates whether HGELECTR value has been imputed (=1) by Stata's chained imputation procedure or whether it has been carried for- or backwards (=2) from past/subsequent waves.

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hgfheat – Imputation Flag, Costs Of Heating And Warm Water

Not imputed	387994
Imputed by PMM	27954
Electricity Costs from Previous or Subsequent Years	22083
No answer	0
Does not apply	0
Not valid	0
Forbidden Multiple Response	0
Not Included In Questionnaire Version	11243
Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
Only available in less restricted edition	0
Question not part of the survey program this year	0
	Electricity Costs from Previous or Subsequent Years No answer Does not apply Not valid Forbidden Multiple Response Not Included In Questionnaire Version Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter Only available in less restricted edition

Waves: Since 1986

HGFHEAT indicates whether HGHEAT has been imputed (=1) by Stata's chained imputation procedure or whether it has been carried for- or backwards (=2) from past/subsequent waves.

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hgfrent - Imputation Flag, Amount Of Rent Minus Heating Costs

0	Not imputed Rent and/or Sub-Aggregate Imputed by PMM	366419 63254
2	Rent and/or Sub-Aggregate from Previous or Subsequent Years	16961
3	Rent and/or Sub-Aggregate From Prev./Subs. Years and/or PMM	2640
-1	No answer	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: all

HGFRENT indicates whether HGRENT or expenses added or subtracted to HGRENT has been imputed (=1) by Stata's chained imputation procedure, whether HGRENT itself or expenses added or subtracted to HGRENT was carried for- or backwards (=2) from past/subsequent waves or whether HGRENT is the result of a mixture of imputed and past/subsequent waves' values. The fourth category marks households who very likely did not include all utility costs in their overall housing costs in Wave BE (the question from which HGRENT is generated). We identified these households by their longitudinal information on housing costs and did not subtract HGHEAT and/or HGELECTR to obtain their HGRENT. HGF2RENT contains more detailed information about which imputed expenses were added or subtracted. *For more information, contact:* Carsten Schröder, <cschroeder@diw.de>

hgfroom – Imputation Flag, Number Of Rooms Lager Than 6 Sq M

0	Netimented	445000
0	Not imputed	445808
1	Imputed	3466
-1	No answer	0
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: all

HGFROOM indicates whether or not HGROOM has been imputed (=1) by Stata's chained imputation procedure.

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hgfsize - Imputation Flag, Size Of Housing

507 767
767
0
0
0
0
0
0
0
0

Waves: all

HGFSIZE indicates whether or not HGSIZE has been imputed (=1) by Stata's chained imputation procedure.

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hgfutil - Imputation Flag, Other Monthly Utility Costs

0	Not imputed	294460
1	Imputed by PMM	85824
2	Electricity Costs from Previous or Subsequent Years	17176
-1	No answer	0

-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	14132
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	37682

Waves: Since 1991

HGFUTIL indicates whether HGUTIL value has been imputed (=1) by Stata's chained imputation procedure or whether it has been carried for- or backwards (=2) from past/subsequent waves.

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6 Subsidization of Housing Costs

hgosubs – Amount Of Subsidies Last Year

1	Yes	13048
2	No	80190
-1	No answer	1225
-2	Does not apply	108728
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	246083

Waves: 2000-2014

Statement by respondent. HGOSUBS contains information on cash housing subsidies received by owners from the government during the year prior to the interview. Wave W was the last wave house owners could apply for the 8-years-long financial support such that since Wave BF, HGOSUBS is not asked any longer. Information is not carried forward.

Please note: The old variable \$FOERD (available until SOEP data release v25 in \$HGEN) is discarded. Homeowner subsidies in Germany have been subject to major revisions and fluctuations over time. The corresponding question in SOEP was in some waves only posed to new households and those that have moved, in some waves it was not surveyed at all. For these reasons, the question for government housing subsidies was changed in Wave Q to cover direct subsidies received the previous year. HGSUBSID and HGOSUBS replace the old variable \$FOERD.

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hgreduc - I	Dwelling At A	Reduced Prize
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1	Yes	19634
2	No	210728

-1	No answer	21177
-2	Does not apply	181700
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	4792
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	11243

Waves: 1986-2002 (west), 1990 & 1992-2002 (east), since 2008 (both)

HGREDUC states whether the flat is offered by the owner at a reduced rent. Information is carried forward from previous waves for old households residing at their old address. For newly surveyed households and for old households that have moved, newly collected data is used. From Wave T to Wave X, this information was not collected. It is carried forward from Wave S for households who have not moved and whose stated amount of rent vary only slightly. The new information from Wave Y is then carried backward for households with the same characteristics if HGREDUC is still missing after carrying forward from Wave S. *For more information, contact:* Carsten Schröder, <cschroeder@diw.de>

hgrsubs - Government Subsidized Housing

-		22622
I	Yes, With Due Diligence	22622
2	Yes, With Run Out Due Diligence	4896
3	No	222358
-1	No answer	5989
-2	Does not apply	183862
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	9547
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: Since 1984 (west), 1990 & since 1994 (east)

HGRSUBS states whether the rent is subsidized by government. Up to Wave K (1994), the question was asked only to new households and households who had moved since last year. For the remaining households, the information is carried forward from previous waves. East German households were asked for the first time in Wave J (1993).

The second response category, which indicates expired subsidization, was added in Wave L (1995). In Wave BG (2016), the category was removed. In Germany, rent subsidization is typically set up as a system of subsidized loans to real estate investors and an obligation to offer below market rents. The obligation expires after one to several decades. In principle, there is the possibility that households say to live in a subsidized flat, although subsidization has expired.

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hgen

hgsubsid – Government Subsidizes Housing Payments

1	Yes	5274
2	No	8767
-1	No answer	11769
-2	Does not apply	66348
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	21422
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	335694

Waves: 1984-1999 (west), 1994-1999 (east)

Statement by respondent. HGSUBSID contains information on government subsidies at the time the housing was built or bought. From Wave B to Wave N, this was only asked to new households or in case an old household had moved. Information is then carried forward. In Wave O and Wave P, the question was again posed to the whole population. *For more information, contact:* Carsten Schröder, <cschroeder@diw.de>

7 Typology of Household

hgowner - Tenant Or Owner Of Dwelling

1		105570
I	Owner	185570
2	Main Tenant	244352
3	Sub-Tenant	11262
4	Tenant	116
5	Living In A Home or Shared Accommodation	3128
-1	No answer	54
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	4792
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: all

Up to Wave H, the information for HGOWNER was collected in separate questionnaires for "old" and first-time respondents, respectively ("blue" and "green" questionnaires). In all waves and for each household with the original value of -1 ("no answer"), codes are set to =1 and =4 if at least one owner- or tenant-specific item is given. Code 4 is also used if a change in ownership (from owner to tenant) has taken place but no original information for HGOWNER was given. Code 5 ('resident of a home or institutional living facility') has only been assigned by interviewers during fieldwork since Wave P.

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hgtyp1hh - Household Typology, One Digit

	110010
	110912
Couple Without Children	125222
Single Parent	36422
Couple With Children LE 16	99489
Couple With Children GT 16	38600
Couple With Children LE And GT 16	24446
Multiple Generation-HH	5039
Other Combination	8590
No answer	554
Does not apply	0
Not valid	0
Forbidden Multiple Response	0
Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
Only available in less restricted edition	0
Question not part of the survey program this year	0
	Couple With Children LE 16 Couple With Children GT 16 Couple With Children LE And GT 16 Multiple Generation-HH Other Combination No answer Does not apply Not valid Forbidden Multiple Response Not Included In Questionnaire Version Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter Only available in less restricted edition

Waves: all

HGTYP1HH is an aggregation of HGTYP2HH. For further information on HGTYP1HH, please refer to to HGTYP2HH.

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hgtyp2hh - Household Typology, Two Digit

11	1-Person HH LE 35 Y.	29494
12	1-Person HH 35- LT 60 Y.	33839
13	1-Person HH GE 60 Y.	47579
21	Couple Without Children	125222
31	Single Parent,1 Child, LE 16	11272
32	Single Parent,2 Or More Children, LE 16	7033
33	Single Parent,1 Children, GT 16	10952
34	Single Parent,2 Or More Children, GT 16	2710
35	Single Parent, 2 Children, LE and GT 16	2452
36	Single Parent, 3 Or More Children, LE and GT 16	2003
41	Couple, 1 Child, LE 16	36355
42	Couple, 2 Children, LE 16	42286
43	Couple, 3 Or More Children, LE 16	20848
51	Couple, 1 Child, GT 16	25459
52	Couple, 2 Children, GT 16	11018
53	Couple, 3 Or More Children, GT 16	2123
61	Couple, 2 Children, LE and GT 16	11236
62	Couple, 3 Or More Children, LE and GT 16	13210
71	3-Generation-HH	4524
72	4-Generation-HH	34
73	GrandParents-GrandChildren-HH	481
81	Other Combination Without K. LE 16	8587

82	Other Combination With K. LE 16	3
-1	No answer	554
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: all

Generated variable created by combining the relationships of all persons living in the household to the head of household (Variable STELL_H in the file PBRUTTO) at the time of the survey. With data release v26 the data production process switched to a standardized procedure for all Waves to ensure longitudinal consistency, resulting in minor changes compared with older distributions. HGTYP1HH is an aggregation of HGTYP2HH and corresponds to the first digit of the two-digit code of HGTYP2HH. Single households are differentiated in HGTYP2HH according to age. The following abbreviations are used in the labels: LE=less or equal, LT=less than, GE=greater or equal, GT=greater than, u.m. = and more, 1-P-HH/1-Pers.-HH = one-person household, K. = children, Alleinerz. = single parent, J. = years, HH = Haushalt, sonst. = sonstige.

Help for old friends: Starting with data distribution v26, the category "(88) Other combination" has been further differentiated into (81) households without vs. (82) those with children (up to the age of 16). Starting with distribution v36, the differentiation by gender of single households has been removed.

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8 Household Income

hghinc – Monthly Household Net Income (EUR)

0		142
1		13
5		1
8		2
10		3
12		2
20		1
26		5
28		1
31		2
34		1
35		1
40		1
49		1
50		4
	(6058 rows omitted)	424772
400000		1
600800		1

999999		1
1700000		1
2000000		1
-1	No answer	22439
-2	Does not apply	301
-3	Not valid	1575
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0
-400		1
-3000		1

This variable contains the current monthly net household income asked for in the household questionnaire, always provided in Euros which was introduced in January 2002 (1 Euro = 1.95583 DM). Income is reported by the respondent (head of household). *For more information. contact:* Jan Goebel (Tel. +49-30-89789-377), <igoebel@diw.de>

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0		121
1		15
5		1
8		1
10		4
12		2
20		1
28		1
34		1
35		1
40		1
50		4
51		1
60		1
70		3
	(5951 rows omitted)	384615
250000		1
300000		2
400000		1
600800		1
999999		1
1700000		1
2000000		1
-1	No answer	12
-2	Does not apply	64481
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0

Multiple imputation procedures provide a way to deal with missing values on the variable Current Monthly Net Household Income by using information about components and determinants of the household income and replacing item-nonresponse with multiply imputed data. The first five imputations are available within the HGEN dataset: the variables HGI1HINC-HGI5HINC.

The imputations were calculated using multiple imputations by chained equations. Up to Wave BB the program ICE of Stata which was written by Patrick Royston (see Royston 2004, 2005a, 2005b) and which is based on the program MICE in S-Plus and R was used. Since Wave BC the Stata command mi impute is used. The missing observations are assumed to be missing at random. We set the number of imputations m=10 and get 10 multiple imputed values for IHINC\$\$. For a discussion on the choice of m, see Rubin (Wave D) and Royston (Wave U).

The dataset MIHINC contains the complete imputation results and is separately available. To be compatible with methods for analyzing multiply imputed data, MIHINC is constructed in the so called stacked or MIM Dataset Format. It contains the following variables: HHN-RAKT, SVYYEAR, MJ, MI, IHINC and IMPFLAG. For all household from Wave L to Wave BD, there are ten imputed values for the current household income. MJ identifies the individual dataset to which each observation belongs while MI identifies the observations within each individual dataset. To distinguish between the original data containing missing values and the imputed values, the dummy variable IMPFLAG is added. In the \$HGEN files five of these imputed incomes are stored in the conventional wide format.

The number of iterations carried out in each prediction model was specified to be 500. For East and West Germany, imputations were done separately. Furthermore, the option for predicted mean matching was chosen which means that for each missing observation on income, the particular non-missing observation is found whose prediction on observed data is closest. This closest observation is used to impute the missing value.

Most important variables for modelling the current household net income consist in the household net income of the previous year, in basic information about the household and changes in its composition as well as all relevant income components received.

####The complete list of the variables used for modelling

- Description of household:
 - size, number of children, sample
 - head of household: not German, age, sex
 - changes in household composition between years: births, deaths, persons entering or leaving the household or being temporarily absent
- Financial Situation:
 - Monthly household income previous year
 - Income from employment
 - Pensions
 - Sum of personal incomes (e.g. Support from the "Arbeitsamt", Maternity benefit, Alimony, etc.)
 - Household related incomes (e.g. Child allowance, Housing assistance, Social assistance, Unemployment benefit, Assets, etc.)

- Number of persons not attended survey (PUNR, partial unit nonresponse)
- Cross-sectional weights

####Analyzing multiply imputed data

For analyzing multiple imputed data, you do not necessarily need special methods, however such tools exits and simplify the use of multiply imputed data. Below is given a short overview of some useful tools for various statistical packages. These tools estimate the parameters of a regression model by combining the estimates across the several replicates of imputation. Point estimates from multiple imputations are then the arithmetic mean of the several point estimates obtained from analysis on each imputed data. Standard errors are obtained by combining the average of the squared standard errors of the several (m) estimates with the within- and between-imputation variance.

- Stata provides various built-in functionality called mi.
- Within SAS, the MIANALYZE procedure combines the results of the analyses of imputations and generates valid statistical inferences: http://support.sas.com/rnd/app/stat/procedures/mianalyze.html
- IVEware is a set of routines that can be launched from SAS or run independently using data from many sources. You can use the IVEware module regress to perform multiple imputation analysis.

Royston, Patrick (2004): Multiple imputation of missing values. In: Stata Journal 4(3): 227-241. Royston, Patrick (2005a): Multiple imputation of missing values: update. In: Stata Journal 5(2): 188-201. Royston, Patrick (2005b): Multiple imputation of missing values: Update of ice. In: Stata Journal 5(4): 527-536. Rubin, D.B. (1987): Multiple imputation for non-response in surveys. New York.

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0		125
1		15
5		1
8		1
10		3
12		3
20		1
28		1
34		1
35		1
40		1
50		4
51		1
60		1
70		2
	(5951 rows omitted)	384612
250000	. ,	1

hgi2hinc - 2.	Imputed	Monthly	Net	Household	Income	(EUR)	[2/5]
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300000		2
400000		1
600800		1
999999		1
1700000		1
2000000		1
-1	No answer	12
-2	Does not apply	64481
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

hgi3hinc – 3. Imputed Monthly Net Household Income (EUR) [3/5]

0 1 5 8 10 12 20 28 34 35 40		119 13 1 3 2 1 1 1 1 1
40 50		4
51		1
60		1
70		2
	(5951 rows omitted)	384621
250000 300000		1 2
400000		2
600800		1
999999		1
1700000		1
2000000		1
-1	No answer	12
-2	Does not apply	64481
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

0		124
1		15
5		2
8		1
10		3
12		2
20		1
28		2
34		1
35		1
40		1
50		7
51		1
60		1
70		2
	(5951 rows omitted)	384608
250000	, ,	2
300000		2
400000		1
600800		1
999999		1
1700000		1
2000000		1
-1	No answer	12
-2	Does not apply	64481
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0
0		

hgi4hinc – 4. Imputed Monthly Net Household Income (EUR) [4/5]

hgi5hinc – 5. Imputed Monthly Net Household Income (EUR) [5/5]

0	124	
1	14	
5	1	
8	1	
10	3	
12	3	
20	1	
28	1	
34	1	
35	1	
40	1	
50	5	

51		1
60		1
70		2
	(5951 rows omitted)	384613
250000		1
300000		2
400000		1
600800		1
999999		1
1700000		1
2000000		1
-1	No answer	12
-2	Does not apply	64481
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

hgfhinc - Imputation Flag, Monthly Net Household Income

0	Not imputed	427747
1	Imputed	21517
-1	No answer	3
-2	Does not apply	7
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

HGFHINC is a dummy variable indicating whether an observation was missing on HGH-INC and was therefore imputed or not.

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9 Time and Method of Interview

iyear - Household Related Survey Year

2017	18771
2018	19033
2019	19454
2020	19255
2021	13882
2022	21205

2023		511
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	337163

imonth - Month Of Interview

1	January	25743
2	February	101252
3	March	102222
4	April	60476
5	Мау	39693
6	June	31967
7	July	24339
8	August	18615
9	September	14804
10	October	12455
11	November	10347
12	December	7323
-1	No answer	37
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	1
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: all

The month of participation in the survey is generated using data from the household questionnaire. Missing information is filled in using data from the HBRUTTOL file. Interviews that took place in the month of December, and prior to the 20th of that month, were recoded to -3.

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hghmode - Interview Method

100	With Interviewer Assistance	4460
110	Oral Interview	101706
120	Written Ques. Interviewer	67047
131	Written Ques. No Interviewer	6176
132	Oral And Written	7396
133	Proxy	12
134	Third Person Present	1334
135	No Third Person Present	9175
140	CAPI - Since 1998 (0)	179151
150	CAWI Since 2014 (BE)	12303
160	CATI since 2021	1144

170	CASI since 2021	255
210	Written, By Mail	44093
220	Telephone Interview	3166
230	CAPI by Phone	11845
-1	No answer	11
-2	Does not apply	0
-3	Not valid	0
-4	Forbidden Multiple Response	0
-5	Not Included In Questionnaire Version	0
-6	Questionnaire Version With Modified Filter	0
-7	Only available in less restricted edition	0
-8	Question not part of the survey program this year	0

Waves: all

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inputdataset - Source dataset

ahgen		5921
bahgen		15414
bbhgen		16819
bchgen		16508
bdhgen		18093
behgen		16037
bfhgen		15991
bghgen		17775
bhgen		5322
bhhgen		19701
bihgen		18682
bjhgen		19030
bkhgen		20183
blhgen		13611
bmhgen		20904
	(9 rows omitted)	53235
lhgen		6968
mhgen		6894
nhgen		6810
ohgen		7668
phgen		7388
qhgen		13249
rhgen		11947
shgen		12692
thgen		12061
uhgen		11796
vhgen		11440
whgen		12499
xhgen		11689

yhgen	11058
zhgen	11889