

# **Update on the Publication of the Classification of Individual Consumption According to Purpose 2018 (COICOP 2018)**

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# COLCOP in general

- **Objective:** To provide an international reference framework for grouping household consumption expenditures on goods and services within homogeneous categories. The categories are based on the particular purpose that those goods and services are considered to fulfil
- Part of the International Family of Classifications (IFC) and one of the Classifications of Expenditure According to Purpose, along with Classification of the Functions of Government (COFOG, currently under revision\*), Classification of the Purposes of Non-Profit Institutions Serving Households (COPNI) and Classification of the Outlays of Producers According to Purpose (COPP)
- Integral part of the System of National Accounts (SNA), also used in other statistical areas: household budget surveys and analyses of living standards, consumer price indices, etc.

\* COFOG revision process will assess impact of revised COFOG on other classifications of expenditure according to purpose and make recommendation on whether they require revision as well

# Background of the revision process

In March 2018, at its forty-ninth session, the [Statistical Commission](#) endorsed the revised Classification of Individual Consumption According to Purpose (COICOP 2018) and recommended that countries use the classification as a statistical standard


- Revised COICOP was published on the UNSD website as a ‘white-cover’ version
- This document subsequently underwent an official editing process led by Eurostat, UNSD and a consultant (Mr. Norbert Rainer), resulting in the updated, pre-copy-edited publication
- Final version of COICOP 2018 publication will be provided when available

# Correspondence Tables

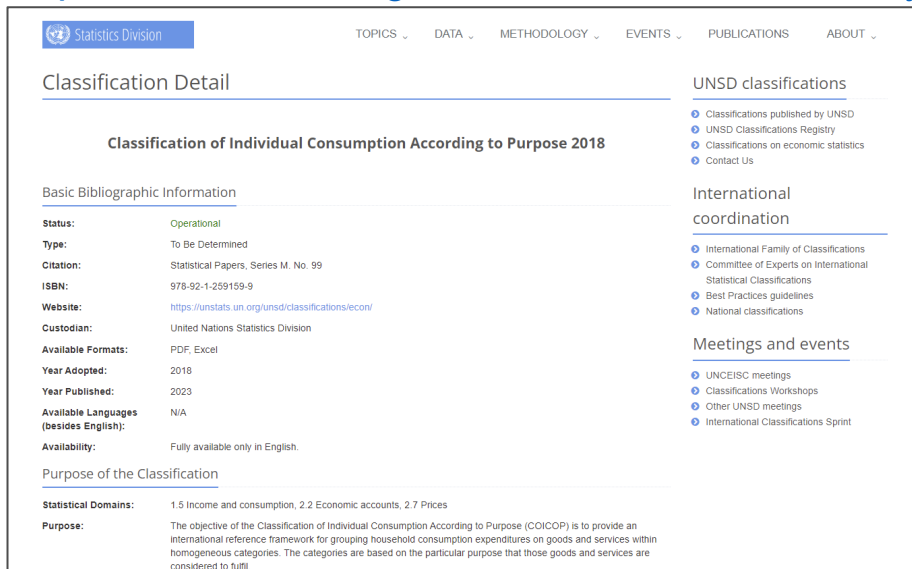
- Already finalised are the COICOP 2018-COICOP 1999 & ECOICOP-COICOP 2018 correspondence tables

COICOP 2018 Cod	COICOP 2018 Title	COICOP 1999 Cod	COICOP 1999 Title	Note/common content
01	Food and non-alcoholic beverages	-	-	
01.1	Food	01.1	Food	
01.1.1	Cereals and cereal products (ND)	01.1.1	Bread and cereals (ND)	
01.1.1.1	Cereals (ND)	01.1.1	Bread and cereals (ND)	
01.1.1.2	Flour of cereals (ND)	01.1.1	Bread and cereals (ND)	
01.1.1.3	Bread and bakery products (ND)	01.1.1	Bread and cereals (ND)	
01.1.1.4	Breakfast cereals (ND)	01.1.1	Bread and cereals (ND)	
01.1.1.5	Macaroni, noodles, couscous and similar pasta products (ND)	01.1.1	Bread and cereals (ND)	
01.1.1.9	Other milled cereal and grain products (ND)	01.1.1	Bread and cereals (ND)	
01.1.2	Live animals, and meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals (ND)	01.1.2	Meat (ND)	
01.1.2.1	Live land animals (ND)	01.1.2	Meat (ND)	
01.1.2.1	Live land animals (ND)	01.1.3	Fish and seafood (ND)	common content: -live snails and frogs
01.1.2.2	Meat, fresh, chilled or frozen (ND)	01.1.2	Meat (ND)	
01.1.2.2	Meat, fresh, chilled or frozen (ND)	01.1.3	Fish and seafood (ND)	common content: -fresh or chilled land snails and frogs
01.1.2.3	Meat, dried, salted, in brine or smoked (ND)	01.1.2	Meat (ND)	
01.1.2.4	Offal, blood and other parts of slaughtered animals, fresh, chilled or frozen, dried, salted, in brine or smoked (ND)	01.1.2	Meat (ND)	
01.1.2.5	Preparations of meat, offal, blood and other parts of slaughtered animals (ND)	01.1.2	Meat (ND)	

# Websites

- The pre-copy edited publication, final structure and COICOP 2018 - COICOP 1999 correspondence table are available at:  <https://unstats.un.org/unsd/classifications/Econ>

- International Family of Classifications  
<https://unstats.un.org/unsd/classifications/Family/Detail/2094>



The screenshot shows the 'Classification Detail' page for the 'Classification of Individual Consumption According to Purpose 2018'. The page is divided into several sections:

- Basic Bibliographic Information:**
  - Status: Operational
  - Type: To Be Determined
  - Citation: Statistical Papers, Series M, No. 99
  - ISBN: 978-92-1-259159-9
  - Website: <https://unstats.un.org/unsd/classifications/econ/>
  - Custodian: United Nations Statistics Division
  - Available Formats: PDF, Excel
  - Year Adopted: 2018
  - Year Published: 2023
  - Available Languages (besides English): N/A
  - Availability: Fully available only in English.
- Purpose of the Classification:**
  - Statistical Domains: 1.5 Income and consumption, 2.2 Economic accounts, 2.7 Prices
  - Purpose: The objective of the Classification of Individual Consumption According to Purpose (COICOP) is to provide an international reference framework for grouping household consumption expenditures on goods and services within homogeneous categories. The categories are based on the particular purpose that those goods and services are considered to fulfill.
- UNSD classifications:**
  - Classifications published by UNSD
  - UNSD Classifications Registry
  - Classifications on economic statistics
  - Contact Us
- International coordination:**
  - International Family of Classifications
  - Committee of Experts on International Statistical Classifications
  - Best Practices guidelines
  - National classifications
- Meetings and events:**
  - UNCEISC meetings
  - Classifications Workshops
  - Other UNSD meetings
  - International Classifications Sprint

## COICOP 2018

### COICOP 2018

★ New

The COICOP 2018 publication has undergone a final review and is being prepared for publication. The complete structure and pre-copy editing version of the manual are available below. The final version of the publication will be provided when available. Also available below are the COICOP 2018-COICOP 1999 correspondence table and related cover note.

Final structure (Excel) [En](#)

Manual (PDF) [En](#)

Correspondence table (Excel)  
[En](#)

Cover note (PDF) [En](#)

# Major changes in COICOP 2018 compared to COICOP 1999 1/4

Introduction of a subclass at 4<sup>th</sup> level (five digits)

- Most countries were collecting data at more detailed level & were in favor during consultation
- ECOICOP and other regional classifications already using 5<sup>th</sup> digit
- Easier correspondence with CPC Ver 2.1 & facilitates separation of goods & services

Level	COICOP 1999	COICOP 2018
Division	14	15
Group	58	63
Class	157	186
Subclass	-	338
(Optional) Food products	-	269

# Major changes in COICOP 2018 compared to COICOP 1999 2/4

- Improved correspondence between COICOP and other classifications.
  - COICOP 2018 and CPC Ver. 2.1
  - Division 06 'Health' and the International Classification for Health Accounts (ICHA)
  - Division 10 'Education Services' and the International Standard Classification of Education (ISCED 2011)
- Extended revision of COICOP 1999 divisions 08 'Communication', 09 'Recreation, Sport and Culture' and 10 'Education Services'
- Split of COICOP 1999 division 12 'Miscellaneous goods and services' into COICOP 2018 division 12 'Insurance and financial services and division 13 'Personal care, social protection and miscellaneous goods and services'

# Major changes in COICOP 2018 compared to COICOP 1999 3/4

COICOP 1999	COICOP 2018
01 Food and non-alcoholic beverages	01 Food and non-alcoholic beverages
02 Alcoholic beverages, tobacco and narcotics	02 Alcoholic beverages, tobacco and narcotics
03 Clothing and footwear	03 Clothing and footwear
04 Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	04 Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels
05 Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	05 Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance
06 Health	06 Health
07 Transport	07 Transport
08 Communication	08 <b>Information and</b> communication
09 Recreation and culture	09 Recreation, <b>sport</b> and culture
10 Education	10 Education <b>services</b>
11 Restaurants and hotels	11 Restaurants and <b>accommodation services</b>
12 Miscellaneous goods and services	<b>12 Insurance and financial services</b>
	<b>13 Personal care, social protection and miscellaneous goods and services</b>
13 Individual consumption expenditure of non-profit institutions serving households (NPISHs)	14 Individual consumption expenditure of Non-profit Institutions Serving Households
14 Individual consumption expenditure of general government	15 Individual consumption expenditure of general government



# Major changes in COICOP 2018 compared to COICOP 1999 4/4

- COICOP 2018 distinguishes between goods and services wherever possible; and new classes and subclasses for services such as repair, maintenance, installation and rental of products have been created systematically



However, in specific contexts expenditures on services and expenditures on goods cannot be separately identified (cf. division 11 'Restaurants and accommodation services')

- For analytical purposes, the distinction among products on the basis of whether they are durable (D), semi-durable (SD) or non-durable goods (ND) or services (S) is retained

# Thank you



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