Background

- HETUS = Harmonised Time Use Surveys
- Gentlemen’s agreement between Eurostat and participating countries
- Regulation (EU) 2019/1700 (TUS remains voluntary)
- HETUS Data Delivery Guidelines (2023)
HETUS 2020
State of play
## Participating countries* in HETUS 2020 round

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*15 EU Member States, 1 EFTA, 4 EU Candidate Countries
HETUS 2030

A glimpse into the future
New developments

WORKING GROUP INCOME AND LIVING CONDITIONS
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(WG ILC - TUS)

Capturing unpaid work in HETUS
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Activity Coding List (ACL)

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Proposal for a light HETUS
Our objectives

- Better distinction of different forms of work along the two dimensions:
  - paid/ unpaid work, and
  - productive/ non-productive work
- the latter would requiring a better distinction between
  - the provision of goods and
  - provision of services.
- Result: a better alignment with National Accounts and ICATUS.

- A light TUS could lead to
  - better response rates and lower costs for the NSIs.
  - higher periodicity and more countries willing to conduct a survey.
- Yet, a light survey (limited in scope and less policy informing) should be a complement and not a substitute for the full survey.
- Additionally, a light HETUS based on a revised classification of activities, sensitive to gender differences in remunerated and non-remunerated work, would allow more timely monitoring of unpaid work and policies on gender equality.
# Activity Coding in HETUS ACL 2018

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Revision of HETUS 2018 ACL

• Major changes to 1-digit level categories (divisions):
  • 3: Household and Family Care renamed to **Unpaid Domestic Services and Caregiving Services for Household and Family Members**
    • includes only domestic and care services, i.e. unpaid, non-productive work
  • 4: Voluntary Work and Meetings renamed to **Unpaid Voluntary Work**
    • 41: Organisational Work is renamed to **Community and Organisation-based Work**
    • 42: Informal Help to Other Households renamed to **Voluntary Work for Other Households**
  • 9: Travel by Purpose
    • proposal to spread over the codes

• A new division (1-digit level):
  • **Production of Goods for Own Final Use** – aligned to ICATUS major division 2
    • Collects activities spread across several ACL divisions
A proposal for a light HETUS

Light questionnaires (household & individual)

- Fixed number of questions to assure better cross-country comparability
- Core variables (based on EU Regulations): HH grid, age, sex, country of residence, GALI, main activity status, educational attainment, net current monthly HH income.

Light diary

- Around 25 activities + contextual information (with whom, ICT use, location)
- Fixed, rather than a minimum, set of activities to be agreed with the WG ILC/TUS.
- Focus on paid and unpaid work, distinguishing between paid/unpaid production of services and goods.
Thank you

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Structure of the light diary

- Paid work
- Unpaid work for household and family members
  - Unpaid productive work: production of goods for own final use
  - Unpaid work outside the central SNA production boundary (but in the satellite accounts): domestic and care-giving services for household and family members.
- Unpaid voluntary help to other households - distinction between services leading to production of goods (inside SNA production boundary) and services not leading to production of goods (outside the SNA).
- Non-work activities
  - Education
  - Leisure, hobbies, sport, community participation, socialising and communication.
  - Personal care, sleeping, eating.
- Travel
Sample size (left ax.) vs. nr. of HH/population (right ax.)