Unpaid care and domestic work: valuation, and policy making use

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Mexican context: Total population and annual average rate of growth 1895-2010



Source: Population and Housing Census 2010. INEGI.

Sex distribution of population, 2010



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Source: Population and Housing Census 2010. INEGI.

Population structure, 1990, 2000 and 2010



National Survey of Occupation and Employment

Objective

• To gather statistical information on: 1) occupational characteristics of the national population; and 2) other demographic and economic variables that allow a more thorough understanding of labor supply and demand characteristics.

Geographic coverage

- National
- States
- 32 cities self-represented

Sample size

• Quarterly sample size is 120 260 dwellings.

Temporality

- Monthly
- Quarterly

Sex distribution of Economically Active Population



Sex distribution of employed population by economic sector of activity, II-2014





Sex distribution of employed population by economic sector, II-2014





Sex distribution of employed population by educational level, II-2014





Sex distribution of employed population by status in employment, II-2014





Sex distribution of freelance workers by area and business size, II-2014





National Time Use Survey

Objective

• To capture time spent by persons 12 years and older on their daily activities and to provide the necessary statistical information inputs to measure all forms of work of individuals, including both: 1) paid and 2) unpaid work in the household.

Geographic coverage

- National.
- Localities with less than 2 500 inhabitants and four regions.

Sample size

• 17 000 dwellings.

National Time Use Survey

Classifications

• International Classification of Activities for Time Use Statistics (ICATUS)

Thematic coverage

- Cooking, making drinks, setting and serving tables.
- Cleaning and upkeep of dwelling and surroundings.
- Care of textiles: sorting, mending, washing, ironing and ordering clothes and linen.
- Shopping for goods and non-personal services: capital goods, household appliances, equipment, food and various household supplies.
- Household management: planning, supervising, paying bills, etc.
- Physical care of the sick, disabled, elderly household members: washing, dressing, feeding and helping.
- Community services and help to other households.

National Time Use Surveys

In gender statistics, time use surveys provide numeric evidence about differences in participation of women and men on:

- paid work;
- domestic work;
- family care, including child and adult care;
- personal care and;
- leisure activities.

Comparative analysis of survey data shows not only changes in how people spend their time but also, different patterns of time use associated with gender, which provides clear evidence of the roles played by women and men in family and social life.

National Time Use Surveys at INEGI

- In 1996, 1998, and 2002, the National Institute of Geography and Statistics (INEGI) carried out time use modules as part of the National Household Income and Expenditure Survey (ENIGH).
- In 2009 INEGI conducted the National Survey of Time Use as a special independent survey.



Sex distribution of weekly time use for population 15 years and older, by kind of activity, 2002-2009



Sex distribution of weekly time use disaggregated by age group and kind of activity, 2009



Distribution of weekly time use, disaggregated by sex, educational level, and kind of activity, 2009



Sex distribution of weekly time use for population 15 years and over, by kind of activity, 2002-2009



Sex distribution of weekly time use for population 15 years and over, by kind of activity, 2009



Source: Databases of Time Use Surveys 2002, 2009 INEGI.



National Time Use Survey

Some signs of improvement:

- From 2002 to 2009, participation of study time in total time allocation was reversed in terms of sex: while in 2002 men had greater participation, women's participation was bigger in 2009.
- For the same period, women changed their distribution of time:
 - Decrease on time spent in domestic work, from 23.8 to 18.8%.
 - Increase on:
 - 1. time spent on paid work from 10.2 to 11.8%;
 - 2. study time, that also increased slightly, from 2.7 to 3.2%.

National Accounts System Satellite Account of Unpaid Household Work

Objective

- Economic valuation of unpaid work that household members perform in activities to generate services that allow to meet their needs.
- Allows the evaluation of the contribution of households to the national economy, by giving a value to the production of household services not included in standard measurement of GDP.



Satellite Account of Unpaid Household Work in Mexico

Methodology

• Defines unpaid work of households, as time spent on housework and care, provided by household members to produce services for consumption within the household, without obtaining a payment or remuneration, hence outside of GDP measurement.



Satellite Account of Unpaid Household Work

International recommendations:

- National Accounts System
 - UN, IMF, WB, OECD, EUROSTAT
- Household Production and Consumption Proposal for a Methodology of Household Satellite Accounts, 2003
 – EUROSTAT
- Manual on the measurement of volunteer work, 2008
 ILO



Satellite Account of Unpaid Household Work

Requires two inputs for assessing unpaid household work:

- To measure time spend on unpaid work: National Time Use Survey generates two sets of data: number of hours of unpaid work and the individuals who perform it.
- To determine the cost per hour spent on unpaid care and domestic work: National Occupation and Employment Survey provides gross values from average earnings by economic activity, according to the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS).



Delimitation of activities

Satellite Account INCLUDES	Satellite Account EXCLUDES
Services for own final use made with unpaid work.	Production of goods for final self-use
 Cleaning and upkeep of dwelling and surroundings 	 Production of agricultural goods
 Cooking, making drinks, setting and serving tables 	 Self-building of dwelling
Care of durable goods of household members	Self-consumption goods
• Physical care of children: washing, dressing, feeding. Teaching, training and instruction of own children	Self-use services
 Physical care of the sick, disabled, elderly household members: washing, dressing, feeding, helping 	 Services of dwellings
 Travel related to care of children, the sick, elderly and disabled in the household 	Domestic services
Community services and volunteer work	
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Delimitation of activities

Includes: Household's activities defined as productive, if it can be delegated to somebody else or provides a product or service that can be exchanged in the market, like provision of:



Excludes: **Personal activities** that usually cannot be delegated, and **Secondary activities**, only the hours expended in the principal activity were valued.



Satellite Account of Unpaid Household Work

Valuation methods:

- Replacement cost for individual function: the cost of hiring specific workers for activities carried out with unpaid household work (opportunity cost).
- **Hybrid**: this approach uses pay to domestic worker to value the activities normally performed by a housewife and, for other activities, uses the replacement cost of each individual function.



Methodological framework





Sex distribution of hours devoted to unpaid household work, 2003- 2012



INEGI. Satellite Account of Unpaid Work of Households in Mexico 2012. Preliminary data. Base year 2008.

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Sex distribution of unpaid household work hours, by kind of activity, 2012



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Sex distribution of unpaid household work value relative to GDP by valuation method, 2012





Share in GDP of the gross economic value of unpaid household work, by hybrid method of assessment, 2012





Sex distribution of unpaid household work by hybrid method of assessment, 2012





Sex distribution of unpaid household work value, 2008-2012





Sex distribution of unpaid household work value, by kind of activity, 2012







Thank you !

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