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<i>Statement provided by:</i> Central Statistical Bureau of Latvia	
<i>Statement:</i> Latvia appreciates the work done by Intersecretariat Working Group on Household Surveys. Latvia fully acknowledges that the levels of statistical development and availability of other data sources vary across the countries, but especially in the light of COVID-19 pandemic statistical community is aware that traditional household surveys are facing serious challenges. Latvia welcomes preparation of the vision paper Towards a collective vision of the “new normal” for household surveys. Latvia notes that wide surveys under umbrella of different international organizations are still designed mainly on using CAPI and that limits resilience of shocks in the future, therefore this aspect should be given extra thought in the further work.	
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