

EU-Labour Force Survey  
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Setup for Importing the Anonymised Ad hoc Data Sets for 1999-2011

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**I. Overview**

The following information will help you to import the EU-LFS 1999-2011 ad hoc data. The data you received from Eurostat are formatted as comma separated values (csv). With the routines provided by GESIS's German Microdata Lab, these data can be converted into SPSS and Stata.

The routines to convert the data into SPSS consist of a year-specific setup and a universal label syntax:

Setup\_EULFS\_2011\_ah.sps

...

Setup\_EULFS\_1999\_ah.sps

Labels\_EULFS\_1983-2012.sps

The routines to convert the data into Stata consist of a year-specific macro and setup as well as a universal label Do-file:

Makro\_EULFS\_2011\_ah.do            Setup\_EULFS\_2011\_ah.do

...

Makro\_EULFS\_1999\_ah.do           Setup\_EULFS\_1999\_ah.do

Labels\_EULFS\_1983-2012.do

The routines achieve the following objectives:

- Transformation of EU-LFS ad hoc data from csv into sav (SPSS) and into dta (Stata)
- Recoding of alphanumeric variables into numeric variables
- Recoding of missing values
- Definition of variable and value labels (by executing the label syntax)

For a first check of the converted data, you can compare the number of cases per country with the number of cases listed in table 1a-c. Consistent numbers indicate that the execution of the setup was successful.

This document provides details on the ad hoc variables only. See the readme document of the yearly data for details on all other variables.

The topics of the ad hoc modules are the following:

- Employment of disabled people (2011)
- Reconciliation between work and family life (2010)
- Entry of young people into the labour market (2009)
- Labour market situation of migrants (2008)
- Work related accidents, health problems and hazardous exposure (2007)
- Transition from work into retirement (2006)
- Reconciliation between work and family life (2005)
- Work organisation and working time arrangements (2004)
- Lifelong learning (2003)
- Employment of disabled people (2002)
- Accidents at work and occupational diseases (1999)

## II. Explanatory notes on the recoding of missing values

Coding standard for missing values:

in SPSS	in Stata	Labels
-1	.a	"No answer"
-2	.b	"Not applicable"
-3	.c	"Not available"
-4	.d	"Not specified"
-5	.e	"No information delivered"
-9	.i	"Otherwise" in exceptional cases (only LEAVCLAS)

In SPSS these missing values are declared as user-missing values.

The Code -3/.c for "Not available" is assigned, if a variable has no valid cases in a country. Some of these variables have only system-missings (i.e. blanks) in the raw data of the respective country, others have only cases with "No answer" and/or "Not applicable".

### III. Notes on irregularities not mentioned in the Eurostat documentation

- AHM2009\_STOPDATE, AHM2009\_JOBSTART  
There is a small number of cases with invalid codes (e.g. 6, 8) in some countries. The meaning of these codes is unclear.
- AHM2009\_JOB DUR  
There is a small number of cases with unusual high values in some countries (considering that the target population are persons aged 15 to 34 years old).
- AHM2004\_SHIFT PAT  
In Finland there are some cases with the invalid code 5. The meaning of this code is unclear. Thus it remains unlabelled.

### IV. Documentations and classifications

Documentations provided by Eurostat:

- detailed documentation of the ad hoc modules:  
[http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/statistics\\_explained/index.php/EU\\_labour\\_force\\_survey\\_-\\_ad\\_hoc\\_modules](http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/statistics_explained/index.php/EU_labour_force_survey_-_ad_hoc_modules)

Classifications:

- ISCED classification (EDUCLEVEL, HATLEVEL):  
[http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page/portal/employment\\_unemployment\\_lfs/documents/ISCED\\_EN.pdf](http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page/portal/employment_unemployment_lfs/documents/ISCED_EN.pdf)
- other classifications used in the EU LFS:  
[http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/statistics\\_explained/index.php/EU\\_labour\\_force\\_survey\\_-\\_methodology#LFS\\_coding\\_lists\\_and\\_explanatory\\_notes\\_over\\_time](http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/statistics_explained/index.php/EU_labour_force_survey_-_methodology#LFS_coding_lists_and_explanatory_notes_over_time)

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Table 1a: Number of cases per country in the EU-Labour Force Survey 2007-2011, ad hoc data<sup>a</sup>

Country	N (without selection)				
	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
01 AT Austria	19.631	24.617	8.188	26.591	19.652
02 BE Belgium	22.937	24.476	24.615	25.244	26.578
03 BG Bulgaria	33.103	34.791	35.329	31.472	32.774
04 CH Switzerland	9.758	-	49.390	47.899	-
05 CY Cyprus	10.974	10.958	10.182	10.094	9.482
06 CZ Czech Republic	30.267	30.032	11.320	36.132	41.390
07 DE Germany	24.098	23.595	47.313	42.546	37.706
08 DK Denmark	29.390	33.280	29.476	28.748	30.514
09 EE Estonia	7.851	7.256	2.899	22.242	23.342
10 ES Spain	103.644	108.253	104.354	103.144	101.753
11 FI Finland	34.640	35.796	36.690	-	22.841
12 FR France	23.651	24.253	11.792	43.560	37.145
13 GR Greece	70.755	76.594	74.293	73.613	74.130
14 HR Croatia	9.347	9.940	-	-	11.481
15 HU Hungary	70.788	70.625	72.275	290.431	77.162
16 IE Ireland	59.361	64.815	70.937	54.774	85.133
17 IS Iceland	3.124	3.097	3.082	.-	3.083
18 IT Italy	163.578	165.842	164.242	169.775	171.496
19 LT Lithuania	16.531	17.044	16.266	15.441	17.511
20 LU Luxembourg	19.942	18.781	19.229	14.288	21.178
21 LV Latvia	8.727	9.111	10.183	9.408	3.679
22 MT Malta	6.582	5.341	1.760	-	-
23 NL Netherlands	64.820	41.392	72.464	83.965	80.671
24 NO Norway	14.508	17.518	5.246	19.955	16.038
25 PL Poland	65.868	67.311	13.671	43.212	36.179
26 PT Portugal	23.797	40.139	41.378	42.197	43.162
27 RO Romania	60.380	60.009	59.093	60.623	62.860
28 SE Sweden	29.756	36.674	12.775	49.314	39.548
29 SI Slovenia	15.470	15.894	16.121	16.294	17.011
30 SK Slovak Republic	26.203	26.057	26.324	27.559	27.698
31 UK United Kingdom	55.365	93.215	95.254	118.386	120.156
Σ	1.134.846	1.196.706	1.146.141	1.506.907	1.291.353

<sup>a</sup> see also "datafileinfo\_adhoc\_2011.csv", "datafileinfo\_adhoc\_2010.csv", "datafileinfo\_adhoc\_2009.csv", "datafileinfo\_adhoc\_2008.csv", and "datafileinfo\_adhoc\_2007.csv" on the DVD you received from Eurostat

Table 1b: Number of cases per country in the EU-Labour Force Survey 2002-2006, ad hoc data<sup>a</sup>

Country	N (without selection)				
	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
01 AT Austria	7.774	41.398	8.628	50.953	47.236
02 BE Belgium	27.843	27.592	27.739	27.565	27.834
03 BG Bulgaria	33.211	34.972	36.539	38.524	-
04 CH Switzerland	-	51.791	54.229	57.679	-
05 CY Cyprus	9.526	9.847	10.615	10.779	10.667
06 CZ Czech Republic	12.867	62.504	62.807	60.973	62.091
07 DE Germany	12.786	47.919	327.089	330.297	328.074
08 DK Denmark	14.740	14.932	15.445	15.471	16.081
09 EE Estonia	20.189	17.904	18.338	4.735	4.948
10 ES Spain	100.506	154.018	175.159	175.209	172.552
11 FI Finland	7.200	20.530	39.680	40.782	42.743
12 FR France	12.449	32.303 <sup>b</sup>	57.256	56.763	175.939
13 GR Greece	76.211	78.876	80.992	73.017	77.451
14 HR Croatia	-	-	-	-	-
15 HU Hungary	77.820	77.939	82.310	88.212	82.904
16 IE Ireland	10.812	91.174	86.545	101.500	105.569
17 IS Iceland	3.125	3.061	3.110	-	-
18 IT Italy	173.363	177.723	172.264	192.359	193.444
19 LT Lithuania	11.179	11.881	12.149	12.219	12.993
20 LU Luxembourg	21.270	22.506	21.189	16.394	13.429
21 LV Latvia	4.644	5.523	6.020	6.022	-
22 MT Malta	-	-	-	-	-
23 NL Netherlands	20.474	75.674	127.147	25.470	97.594
24 NO Norway	4.797	20.955	10.930	17.208	20.838
25 PL Poland	12.779	37.849	20.131	58.303	-
26 PT Portugal	45.166	47.870	50.714	46.385	45.617
27 RO Romania	64.924	67.738	68.596	41.556	41.757
28 SE Sweden	13.280	21.918	13.254	14.527	55.699
29 SI Slovenia	17.186	17.750	18.871	19.881	19.766
30 SK Slovak Republic	28.513	29.061	28.772	28.889	29.420
31 UK United Kingdom	120.651	123.141	125.610	130.417	136.156
Σ	965.285	1.426.349	1.762.128	1.742.089	1.820.802

<sup>a</sup> see also "datafileinfo\_adhoc\_2006.csv", "datafileinfo\_adhoc\_2005.csv", "datafileinfo\_adhoc\_2004.csv", "datafileinfo\_adhoc\_2003.csv", and "datafileinfo\_adhoc\_2002.csv" on the DVD you received from Eurostat

<sup>b</sup> This is the actual number of cases for the French ad hoc data of 2005, which is not consistent with the number of cases listed on the DVD from Eurostat.

Table 1c: Number of cases per country in the EU-Labour Force Survey 1999, ad hoc data<sup>a</sup>

	N (without selection)
	1999
01 AT Austria	-
02 BE Belgium	-
03 BG Bulgaria	-
04 CH Switzerland	-
05 CY Cyprus	-
06 CZ Czech Republic	-
07 DE Germany	-
08 DK Denmark	17.895
09 EE Estonia	-
10 ES Spain	196.532
11 FI Finland	27.665
12 FR France	-
13 GR Greece	82.921
14 HR Croatia	-
15 HU Hungary	87.541
16 IE Ireland	109.768
17 IS Iceland	-
18 IT Italy	200.384
19 LT Lithuania	-
20 LU Luxembourg	16.095
21 LV Latvia	-
22 MT Malta	-
23 NL Netherlands	-
24 NO Norway	-
25 PL Poland	-
26 PT Portugal	47.315
27 RO Romania	-
28 SE Sweden	17.909
29 SI Slovenia	-
30 SK Slovak Republic	-
31 UK United Kingdom	141.516
$\Sigma$	945.541

<sup>a</sup> see also "datafileinfo\_adhoc\_1999.csv" on the DVD you received from Eurostat