

EU-SILC as from 2021

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Aims

- Simplifying and integrating (not done since 2003)
- Reinforcing quality and comparability
- Priorities (IESS): standardization, comparability, efficiency, timeliness, precision, longitudinal data, recurrent rolling modules

Vehicles

- IESS [Regulation \(EU\) 2019/1700](#)
- Common concepts [Commission Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2019/2181](#)
- Multiannual planning [Commission Delegated Regulation \(EU\) 2020/256](#)
- Quality reports [Commission Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2019/2180](#)
- SILC [Commission Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2019/2242](#)
- SILC list of variables [Commission Delegated Regulation \(EU\) 2020/258](#)
- More details in guidelines (*not regulated*)

Subjects

- Definitions and characteristics (units, scope, sample, collection)
- Variables (Nucleus + recurrent rolling modules)
- Quality reports
- Tracing rules (longitudinal)
- Imputation, substitution

Revision of EU-SILC – Areas of improvement

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In the framework of the modernization of social statistics, EU-SILC was revised to respond better to users' needs.

Revisions concern:

1. Content
2. Timeliness
3. Methodology
4. Longitudinal component

Content of revised EU-SILC

Annual core (nucleus)	3-yearly rolling module	6-yearly rolling module	Year
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Income Material deprivation 	Children	Living arrangements and conditions of children in separated and blended families (New policy needs 1)	1 (2021)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Economic activity Demography 	Health	Quality of Life	2 (2022)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Education Child care Housing costs 	Labour & Housing conditions	Intergenerational transmission of disadvantages & Housing difficulties / New policy needs 2	3 (2023)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health 	Children	Access to services	4 (2024)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quality of life Miscellaneous 	Health	New policy needs 3	5 (2025)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Technical variables 	Labour & Housing conditions	Over-indebtedness, consumption and wealth	6 (2026)

Content – 3-yearly rolling modules

Children

- Children material deprivation
- Unmet needs of childcare
- Health status and unmet needs for health care of children

Labour and housing

- Employment status
- Previous work experience
- Characteristics of current workplace and working conditions
- Housing costs and conditions
- Living environment

Health (of adults)

- Health status and disability (functional limitations)
- Health care (use of services and financial burden of health care)
- Health determinants/behaviours

Content – 6-yearly rolling modules

Over-indebtedness (cost of utilities, non-housing bills, other loans/credits, measures to alleviate impact of over-indebtedness),

consumption (main components),

wealth (real and financial assets)

Access to services (childcare, formal education and training, lifelong learning, health and home care)

Intergenerational transmission of disadvantages (socio-demographic characteristics of parents and characteristics of household, economic and living conditions in childhood), **and housing difficulties**

Quality of life (life satisfaction, mental well-being, social and cultural participation)

New policy needs (3 times over 6 years)

Content – Topics covered in ad hoc modules before 2021

2008	Over-indebtedness and financial exclusion
2010	Intra-household sharing of resources
2011, 2006	Intergenerational transmission of poverty/disadvantages
2012, 2007	Housing conditions
2013	Well-being
2015, 2006	Social (and cultural) participation
2015, 2014, 2009	Material deprivation
2016	Access to services
2017	Health and children's health
2018	Material deprivation, well-being and housing difficulties
2019	Intergenerational transmission of disadvantages, household composition and evolution of income
2020	Over-indebtedness, consumption and wealth, labour

- Implemented by annual Commission regulations on list of target secondary (module) variables

Content – *New policy needs module (2021)*

Living arrangements and conditions of children in separated and blended families

- time or attention deprivation
- availability of bedroom (also shared with siblings)
- custody situation
- type of family
- care of children not present in household

Timeliness

To respond to data needs for the European Semester (cycle of economic and fiscal policy coordination within the EU).

Revision concerns:

- By end of year N, receipt of microdata collected in year N.
 - Exceptionally, provisional microdata concerning income, submission of revised data by 28 February of year N+1.
 - By 31 October of year N+1, at the latest, submission of longitudinal weights.
- Earlier release of scientific use files (UDB)

Methodology - Precision requirements (1)

The new precision requirements will permit in particular:

- More breakdowns on longitudinal indicators
- More precise regional indicators (especially for NUTS 2 regions with more than 1 mio inhabitants)

Most recent developments

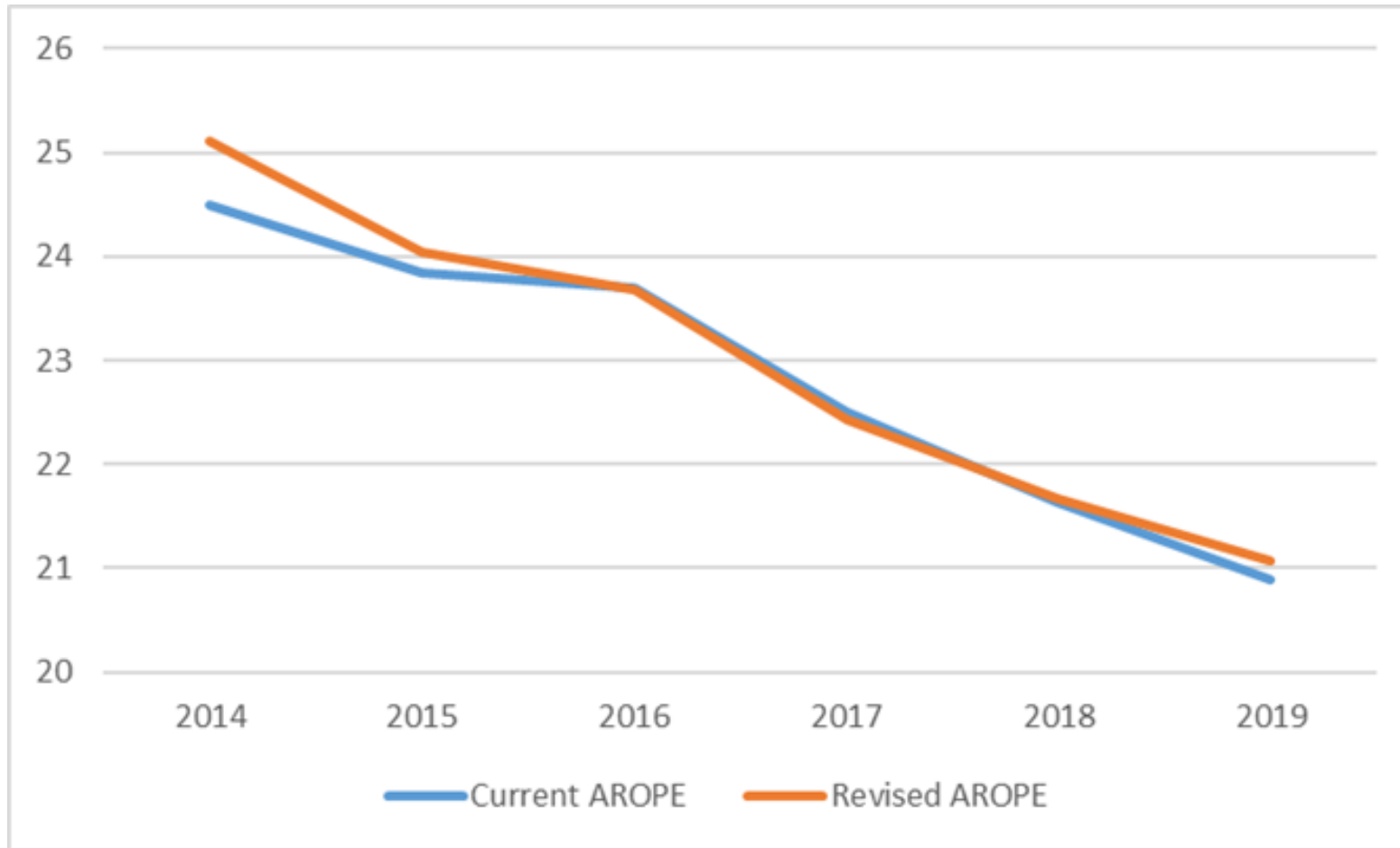
Revision of headline indicator AROPE People at risk of poverty or social exclusion (1)

Member States agreed in Indicator Subgroup (ISG) of Social Policy Committee (SPC) :

- people at risk of poverty (AROP) “monetary poverty” -> no change
- severe material and social deprivation (SMSD) instead of SMD-> with enforced **lack of 7 items out of 13** (before: 4 out of 9)
- people living in a household with low work intensity (LWI) “quasi-jobless households” -> **upper age limit** changed from 59 to **64 years**

Revision of headline indicator AROPE People at risk of poverty or social exclusion (2)

Impact of components' revision on AROPE over most recent years



Response to changing socio-economic situation due COVID-19 crisis (1)

- Covid-19 optional variables in 2020 and 2021 (not part of revision of EU-SILC)
- Ad hoc methodology activities implemented: Recommendations for data collection and classification for Covid-19 related benefits.

Voluntary module on impact of COVID-19 in 2021 (1)

- HI012: Change in income as an impact of COVID-19
- HY150: Financial support from the COVID-19 related support schemes
- HY155: Amount received as financial support from the COVID-19 related support schemes
- HD225: Distance learning courses/school during COVID-19 restrictions

Voluntary module on impact of COVID-19 in 2021 (2)

- PL220: Working from home during pandemic
- PH051: Unmet need for medical examination or treatment due COVID-19 crisis
- PH071: Unmet need for dental examination or treatment due COVID-19 crisis
- PMH010: Mental health affected by COVID-19 crisis

Thank you



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