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**„ACCIDENTS AT WORK AND WORK-RELATED HEALTH
PROBLEMS“**

THE SECOND QUARTER OF 2007

EPLANATORY NOTES

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Preface

Since 2000 the ad hoc modules have become a regular part of the Labour Force Sample Survey. The Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic organises these yearly surveys on the sample of the labour force survey in the 2nd quarter in compliance with the Eurostat's methodology. The ad hoc module on accidents at work and work-related health problems is carried out in households in the second quarter 2007 and was designed with full compliance with Commission regulation (EC) No 341/2006 concerning the specification of the 2007 ad hoc module. The data collection is carrying out from April to June 2007.

The focus of the LFS ad hoc module 2007 is to provide the complex and comparable dataset on the work-health problems that are not available through the administrative sources. The results, which will be collected by the realization of the ad hoc module, will make together with the results from the core LFS questionnaire valuable source that will be important for future analysis from the side of the labour market, give the picture of the current situation and bring information for the elaboration of the political and social programmes and strategies.

The target population is every person aged 15 and more with the previous employment experience living in the household selected dwelling, the separate questionnaire and explanatory notes for data collection were prepared.

The reference period is considered the 12 months period prior to the date of the interview (e.g. the interview takes place the 10 April 2007, the reference period lasts from the 11 April 2006 to the 10 April 2007, it means that the day of interview is covered into the reference period.).

The questionnaire „C“, which follows the main questionnaire „B“, is designed in 2 versions:

- (a) The version for the employed – is addressed to every person aged 15 and more, who in questionnaire „B“ fulfilled the block of the questions “The employed”
- (b) The version for the non-employed – is addressed to every person aged 15 and more, who in questionnaire „B“ fulfilled the block “The non- employed” and has the previous employment experience (B50=1)

Methodological notes for the employed aged 15 and more

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| C1 | |
| Target population | Employed aged 15 and over |
| Question | <p>Did you have an accidental injury during the last 12 months, at work or in the course of work?</p> <p>➤ Yes, one 1</p> <p>➤ Yes, more than one 2</p> <p>➤ No 3</p> |

The aim is known if the person has had an accident at work during the past 12 months (it is not important whether an accidental injury was accepted by employer or not).

Work-related accidental injury is a health damage that was caused by short-term, abrupt and violent influence of the outside effects during the fulfilment of working obligations. An accidental injury also includes road traffic accidents that occurred during the fulfilment of working tasks and tasks and obligations, accidents during the seminars, workshops, business trips or courses organised by employer in order to improve the employee's skills. The acute poisoning and wilful acts of other persons should be also included. However, deliberate self-inflicted injuries should be excluded.

Special cases:

As an accidental injuries at work or in the course of the work are considered the following kind of the accidents:

- ⇒ *Road accidents in the course of work,*
- ⇒ *Accidents caused by slips, falls, aggressions etc. in the public places (e.g. pavements, staircases, coach and railway stations, bus stops, airports, harbour) in the course of work při plnění pracovních úloh,*
- ⇒ *Accidents on board of any means of transport used in the course of work,*
- ⇒ *Accidents occurred during a mission done for work inside of premises of the enterprise*
- ⇒ *Accidents occurred in the course of work within the premises of another company that the one which employs the victim, or in a private individual in the course of work,*
- ⇒ *Accidents occurred during the lunchtime or other breaks inside of premises of the enterprise.*

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If the person went for a mission directly from home (without going first to his usual workplace), he/she already was on the mission when leaving home and consequently any accident should be included.

Other types of accidents that should be excluded:

- Accidents occurred in the course of travelling between home and workplace,
- Accidents occurred in the course of travelling between workplace and usual place of meal,
- Accidents occurred during the lunch time or other breaks outside of premises of the enterprise,
- Road traffic or transport accidents in the course of private activities,
- Home and leisure accidents.

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Occupational diseases, illnesses or health problems should be excluded. In some rare cases it is very difficult to distinguish whether a disease, illness or health problem was caused by occupation. Due to this fact it is recommended to treat atypical cases individually and sensitively.

Special cases:

- ⇒ *Person works in health service has a needle stick injury and develops an infectious as a consequence, the onset is accidental and it should be considered as accidental injury.*
- ⇒ *If construction worker injures his back as a consequence of a sudden movement, it should be considered as an accident. While if a back pain develops over one day when was carrying a heavy load, it should be seen as a non-accidental work related health problem.*

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| C2 | |
| Target group | C1= 1, 2 |
| Question | <p>State the type of the most recent accidental injury at work or in the course of work</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A road traffic accident 1 ➤ Accident other than road traffic accident 2 |

The aim is to know whether the most recent accidental injury at work was due to a road traffic accident or to some other type of accident. This separation is needed for comparison of ad hoc module results with administrative accidents statistics.

A road traffic accident is an accident or injury that was caused by a traffic accident during the fulfilment of working tasks and obligations in public roads, public or private car parks, while it is not important whether a victim was pedestrian, driver or passenger of any means of transport. The road traffic accident includes accidents in which the victim's main professional activity is related to the transport (e.g. lorry, bus or train driver) and accidents in which the victim was occasionally in the road traffic in the course of work (e.g. a manager going on his/her way to a business meeting outside of the enterprise, person on business trip etc.).

Code 1 includes all accidental injuries caused by traffic accident.

Code 2 includes all other types of accidents that occurred at workplace or in the course of the work. Code 2 should be used and applied also to accidents that are related to machines which are used outside of traffic and public roads or that occurred inside of the premises of the company on non-public roads within the factory area (e.g. during using of forklift trucks, bulldozers, tractors in farming fields, forestry-related machines in forest and etc.). If such a machine were on a public road at the time of the accident, it should, however, be coded with Code 1.

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| C3 | |
| Target group | C1= 1, 2 |
| Question | <p>Your most recent accidental injury occurred during your</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ First current job 1 ➤ Second current job 2 ➤ Job one year ago 3 ➤ Some other job 4 |

Through this question we collect information about job that caused the accident at work. The aim of this question is to be able to link the information about the accident with the characteristics of the corresponding job done when the accidental injury occurred, which are obtained by other variables of the core LFS questionnaire.

! Please notice

Codes 1, 2, 3 are clearly identifiable in the core LFS questionnaire, it means that “the first current job” (code 1) is identical with the main job described in the LFS questionnaire; “the second current job” (code 2) is identical with the second current job described in the LFS questionnaire and “the job one year ago” (code 3) is identical with the main job one year ago described with questions B81 and 82 in the LFS questionnaire.

Code 3 should be applied in case if an accidental injury occurred during the main job one year ago. In case that job in which a person worked one year ago is the same as the first current job of respondent, code 1 should be used.

Code 4 should be applied for cases that could not be coded with codes 1, 2 or 3, e.g. a person had an accidental injury in the second job one year ago; in the main job between the main job one year ago and the first current job, etc.

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| C4 | |
| Target group | C1= 1, 2 |
| Question | State when did you were able to start work again after the most recent accidental injury |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ No time off or in the same day as the accident occurred 1 ➤ In the day after the accident 2 ➤ From the second day the after the fifth day the accident 3 ➤ From the fifth day but before the fourteenth day after the accident 4 ➤ From the fourteenth day but before one month after the accident 5 ➤ From one month but before three months after the accident 6 ➤ From three months but before six months after the accident 7 ➤ From six months but before nine months after the accident 8 ➤ Nine months or later after the accident 9 ➤ I am still off work because I have not yet recovered from the accident 10 ➤ I expect never to work again because of the accident 11 |

The aim of the question is to know the number of calendar days during which the victim was unfit to work due to accident at work. All days when the person was unfit for work from day of accident until resumption of work have to be taken into the consideration (inability to work during the normal working days, bank holiday, Sundays, Saturdays, taking the holiday or day off from work etc.)

Only days lost strictly related to the inability to work resulting from the accidental injury have to be counted. Consequently, if a person has already recovered from the accidental injury but has not worked again at the day of interview, the codes 1 – 9 should be used and not code 10.

If a person has not already recovered from the accidental injury but she/he expects to resume work later, the code 10 should be applied. But if a person expects never to work again after the accidental injury, the code 11 should be used.

! Please notice

The day when a person has returned to work again even he/she was integrated to work gradually should be considered as the day when a person was able to start work.

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| C5 | |
| Target group | The employed aged 15 and over |
| Question | <p>Have you suffered by any health problem apart from accidental injury during the last 12 months that was caused or made worse by your current work or any work you have done in the past?</p> <p>➤ Yes, one 1</p> <p>➤ Yes, more than one 2</p> <p>➤ No 3</p> |

The aim of the question is to know if the person has an illness, disability or psychical or physical health problem that was occurred or made worse by any person's work (it means current or past that respondent could have performed not only during the reference period but also any time in the past) and from which he/she suffered during the past 12 months.

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The fact that a person had a health problem caused or made worse by his/her work during the last 12 months does not mean that his/her health problem have to occur during the reference period.

Special cases:

⇒ *An answer on question C5 will be positive if a health problem was caused by a person's previous job that the person performed 2 years ago and its consequences have lasted.*

Health problem is a health damage that could restrict a person in some way. Any complaint that was caused before or during the reference period as a consequence of respondent's work and person suffered with it during the reference period should be taken into the consideration. For identification of a work-related health problem is not important whether a person is able to perform a work or not. In connection with the number of the health problems, the code 1 or 2 should be applied.

In some special cases, such as infectious diseases, like a common cold or flu, could be for respondent difficult to identify where or when exactly (e.g. at home or at work) occurred the transmission of the causative infection agent (bacteria, virus etc.) In such diseases the advice to the respondent is to think whether the nature of his/her work is such that it would have be caused the disease. It means that in this work it would be more probable to have such a disease in comparison to the everyday life.

| C6 | |
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| Target group | C5= 1, 2 |
| Question | <p>State the type of your most serious health complaint caused or made worse by work?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Bone, joint or muscle problem which mainly affects neck, shoulders, arms or hands 1 ➤ Bone, joint or muscle problem which mainly affects hips, legs or feet 2 ➤ Bone, joint or muscle problem which mainly affects back 3 ➤ Breathing or lung problem 4 ➤ Skin problem 5 ➤ Hearing problem 6 ➤ Stress, depression or anxiety 7 ➤ Headache and/or eyestrain 8 ➤ Heart disease or attack; or other problems in the circulatory system 9 ➤ Infectious disease (virus, bacteria or other type infection) 10 ➤ Other type of complaint (please, state the type) 11 |

Through this question we collect the information on type of the most serious complaint caused or made worse by work and by which a person suffered during the reference period.

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If a person suffered from more than one work-related health problem during the reference period, only the most serious should be chosen for this and followed variables. In this assessment there should be no distinction between complaints caused by the work and those made worse by work, only seriousness of the complaint and its negative impact on ability to work should be taken to the consideration.

Code 11 – Other type of complaint includes rest of the health problems and diseases in case that previous codes should not be applied.

The coding of some special cases:

The health problems and diseases (e.g. arthritis, rheumatism, cancer) for which there is no specific code should be code, if possible, according to the anatomical location.

There is no specific code for health problems connected with the digestive or urinary system. Therefore, if a health problem relates to infectious disease (virus, bacteria or other type infection), the code 10 should be applied. If digestive or urinary health problem is not infectious or respondent does not know to state whether a health problem is considered as infection or was caused by e.g. virus, bacteria, the code 11 should be used.

The health problems linked with vocal cord caused by infectious disease should be coded by code 10. If health problem linked with vocal cord is not infectious or respondent does not know to state whether a health problem is considered as infection or was caused by e.g. virus, bacteria, the code 11 should be used instead of the code 4.

The code 10 “Infectious disease (virus, bacteria or other type infection)” should be applied for all health problems and diseases that have infectious character whichever anatomical location of infection (e.g. infections of eyes, skin etc.). If a person is not sure whether a health problem is infectious health problem, the code of appropriate anatomical location of health problem is recommended to use.

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| C7 | |
| Target group | C5= 1, 2 |
| Question | <p>Your most serious health complaint occurred during your</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Main current job 1 ➤ Second current job 2 ➤ Job one year ago 3 ➤ Some other job 4 |

The aim of the question is to provide the information on employment that a respondent caused or made worse his/her most serious complaint and to allow connecting information on health problems and diseases with data on employment during that the complaint had occurred and which is identified in LFS core questionnaire.

! Please notice

Codes 1, 2, 3 are clearly identifiable in the core LFS questionnaire, it means that “the first current job” (code 1) is identical with the main job described in the LFS questionnaire; “the second current job” (code 2) is identical with the second current job described in the LFS questionnaire and “the job one year ago” (code 3) is identical with the main job one year ago described with questions B81 and 82 in the LFS questionnaire.

Code 3 should be applied in case if a complaint occurred during the main job one year ago. In case that job in which a person worked one year ago is the same as the first current job of respondent, code 1 should be used.

Code 4 should be applied for cases that could not be coded with codes 1, 2 or 3, e.g. a person had a complaint in the second main job one year ago; in the main job between the main job one year ago and the first current job, etc.

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| C8 | |
| Target group | C5= 1, 2 |
| Question | <p>State the total number of days off work during the last 12 months due to your most serious health complaint caused or made worse by work</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Less than one day 1 ➤ At least one day but less than four days 2 ➤ At least four days but less than fourteen days 3 ➤ At least fourteen days but less than one month 4 ➤ At least one months but less than three months 5 ➤ At least three months but less than six months 6 ➤ At least six months but less than nine months 7 ➤ At least nine months 8 ➤ I expect never to work again because of my most serious health complaint 9 |

While the question C5 is oriented on the identification of the health problem caused or made worse by work, the aim of the question C8 is to know whether the most serious health problem limited a respondent so he/she was unfit to work.

The aim of the question is to provide information on the total number of calendar days which the victim was unfit to work because of the most serious health problem during the reference period. Because we are asking about the whole reference period, it is essential to take into account the potential period of unemployment or working inactivity during which the person was unfit to work or unable to apply for a job as well.

To obtain the quality data on the total number of the days lost have to be taken to the consideration that variable covers only the absences during which a respondent was unfit to work, occurred during the reference period and which are strictly related to the most serious health complaint. All the calendar days of reference period, during which a person was unable to work, have to be included. It means the all days lost because of the main health complaint e.g. normal working days including Sundays, Saturdays, bank holidays etc.

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- If a person was unfit to work due to his/her most serious health problem before the reference period, only the absences during the reference period should be counted into the total number.
- If a person had several absences from work due to the most serious health complaint during the reference period, they have to be cumulated (It should be noted, that there is different approach in comparison with question C4, where the aim is to know the number of days lost from day of occurrence of the work related accidental injury to day of resumption of work. On the other hand the through the question C5, we are interested in the cumulated number of days lost caused by the most serious health problem over the whole reference period.)
- Rest of the absences from work during the reference period due to e.g. other person's health problems, work related accidental injury, holidays, spare time etc. should be not taken

into the consideration.

Code 1 „less than one day off” should be applied, if a person was able to work even though he/she had a health problem (it means that a person had a health problem but it was not so serious that he/she was unfit to work and he/she have to take a day off).

If a person due to the most serious health problem has not recovered at the day of interview but expects to resume work later, then the absence should be counted until the date of interview (within the time limit of the reference period). One of the codes 1 - 8 should be used.

Finally, when a person expects, at the date of the interview, never to work again due to the most serious health complaint, the code 9 should be applied.

| C9 | |
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| Target group | C5=1, 2 |
| Question | Does your most serious health complaint limit your ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities either at work or outside the work? |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Yes, considerably 1 ➤ Yes, in some extent 2 ➤ No 3 |

The aim of the question is to obtain the information how and what extent the respondent’s most serious health complaint caused or made worse by work limits the person’s ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities.

| C10 | |
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| Target group | The employed aged 15 and over |
| Question | Would you say that at your workplace you have particular exposure to selected factors that can adversely affect your mental well-being? |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Yes, mainly to harassment, bullying or discrimination 1 ➤ Yes, mainly to violence or threat of violence 2 ➤ Yes, mainly to time pressure or overload of work 3 ➤ No, I do not have an exposure to any selected factors 4 |

Code 1 - harassment, bullying or discrimination refer to intentional use of the power or position against another person (or group of persons) that can be reasonably considered as unpleasant, insulting or unsuitable with intention to degrade the human dignity or to build unfriendly, degrading or frightening workplace. The harassment, bullying and discrimination can results in the harm to physical, mental, spiritual, moral or social development.

Code 2 – violence or threat of violence refers to physical force against another person that results in physical, sexual or psychological harm. Both real experiences of such a feeling of the threat of such actions are covered by code 2.

Code 3 - includes persons who are overloaded or who are working under the time pressure. Time pressure and overload of work refer to demands concerning either the time during which the work needs to be executed or demands concerning the amount of work to be executed and these demands going beyond the abilities and resources of the person.

Code 4 should be used in case, if the interviewee was not facing any of the above-mentioned circumstances, that could adversely affect his/her mental well-being.

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If a person states more than one factor then he/she should indicate which of these factors considers as the main factor from the point of view of adverse effects on his/her mental well-being.

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| C11 | |
| Target group | The employed aged 15 and over |
| Question | <p>Would you say that at your workplace you have particular exposure to selected factors that can adversely affect your physical health?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Yes, mainly to chemicals, dusts, fumes, smoke or gases 1 ➤ Yes, mainly to noise or vibrations 2 ➤ Yes, mainly to difficult work postures, work movements or handling of heavy loads 3 ➤ Yes, mainly to risk of accident 4 ➤ No, I do not have an exposure to any selected factors 5 |

Particular exposure refers to an exposure, which is clearly more frequent or more intensive, than what people experience in general day-to-day life.

Code 1 covers exposures that refer to handling, touching, inhalation etc. agents such as chemicals, dust, fumes and etc.

Code 3 should be used in case, if the interviewee states that his work is excessively physical strenuous on movement, condition, work postures, handling of heavy loads and etc.

Code 5 should be used in case, if the interviewee was not facing any of the above-mentioned circumstances that could adversely affect his/her physical health.

! Please notice

If a person states more than one factor then he/she should indicate which of these factors considers as the main factor from the point of view of adverse effects on his/her physical health.

Methodological notes for the non-employed aged 15 and more with previous employment experiences

| C1 | |
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| Target group | The non-employed aged 15 and over |
| Question | Did you have an accidental injury during the last 12 months, at work or in the course of work? |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Yes, one 1 ➤ Yes, more than one 2 ➤ No 3 ➤ No, I do not have a job more than one year 4 |

See the question C1 in the explanatory notes for employed

Code 4 should be used if person has no job during the reference period.

| C2 | |
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| Target group | C1= 1, 2 |
| Question | State the type of the most recent accidental injury at work or in the course of work |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A road traffic accident 1 ➤ An accident other than traffic road 2 |

See the question C2 in the explanatory notes for employed

| C3 | |
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| Target group | C1= 1, 2 |
| Question | Your most recent accidental injury occurred during your |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The last job 1 ➤ Job one year ago 2 ➤ Some other job 3 |

The aim of the question is to obtain the information on the accidental injury and to link the information about the accident with the characteristics of the corresponding job done when the accidental injury occurred.

! Please notice

Codes 1 and 2 are clearly identifiable in the core LFS questionnaire, it means that “the last job” (code 1) is identical with the last job described in the LFS questionnaire; “job one year ago” (code 2) is identical with the main job one year ago described with questions B81 and

82 in the LFS questionnaire.

Code 2 should be applied in case if an accidental injury occurred during the main job one year ago. In case that job in which a person worked one year ago is the same as the last job of respondent, code 1 should be used.

Code 3 should be applied for cases that could not be coded with codes 1 or 2, e.g. a person had an accidental injury in the additional job one year ago; in the main job between the main job one year ago and the last job, etc.

| C4 | |
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| Target group | C1= 1, 2 |
| Question | State when did you were able to start work again after the most recent accidental injury |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ No time off or in the same day as the accident occurred 1 ➤ In the day after the accident 2 ➤ From the second day the after the fifth day the accident 3 ➤ From the fifth day but before the fourteenth day after the accident 4 ➤ From the fourteenth day but before one month after the accident 5 ➤ From one month but before three months after the accident 6 ➤ From three months but before six months after the accident 7 ➤ From six months but before nine months after the accident 8 ➤ Nine months or later after the accident 9 ➤ I am still off work because I have not yet recovered after the accident 10 ➤ I expect never to work again because of the accident 11 |

See the question C4 in the explanatory notes for employed

If a person has not already recovered from the accidental injury but she/he expects to resume work later, the code 10 should be applied. But if a person expects never to work again after the accidental injury, the code 11 should be used.

| C5 | |
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| Target group | The non-employed aged 15 and over |
| Question | Have you suffered by any health problem apart from accidental injury during the last 12 months that was caused or made worse by any of your previous jobs you have done in the past? |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Yes, one 1 ➤ Yes, more than one 2 ➤ No 3 |

See the question C5 in the explanatory notes for employed

| C6 | |
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| Target group | C5= 1, 2 |
| Question | State the type of your most serious health complaint caused or made worse by work? |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Bone, joint or muscle problem which mainly affects neck, shoulders, arms or hands 1 ➤ Bone, joint or muscle problem which mainly affects hips, legs or feet 2 ➤ Bone, joint or muscle problem which mainly affects back 3 ➤ Breathing or lung problem 4 ➤ Skin problem 5 ➤ Hearing problem 6 ➤ Stress, depression or anxiety 7 ➤ Headache and/or eyestrain 8 ➤ Heart disease or attack; or other problems in the circulatory system 9 ➤ Infections disease (virus, bacteria or other type infection) 10 ➤ Other type of complaint (please, state the type) 11 |

See the question C6 in the explanatory notes for employed

| C7 | |
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| Target group | C5= 1, 2 |
| Question | Your most serious health complaint occurred during your |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The last job 1 ➤ Job one year ago 2 ➤ Some other job 3 ➤ I have not been in employment at least 8 years 4 |

The aim of the question is to provide the information on employment that a respondent caused or made worse his/her most serious complaint and to allow connecting information on health problems and diseases with data on employment during that the complaint had occurred and which is identified in LFS core questionnaire.

! Please notice

Codes 1 and 2 are clearly identifiable in the core LFS questionnaire, it means that “the last current job” (code 1) is identical with the last job described in the LFS questionnaire; “the job one year ago” (code 2) is identical with the main job one year ago described with questions B81 and 82 in the LFS questionnaire.

Code 2 should be applied in case if a complaint occurred during the main job one year ago. In case that job in which a person worked one year ago is the same as the last job of respondent, code 1 should be used.

Code 3 should be applied for cases that could not be coded with codes 1, or 2, e.g. a person had a complaint in the additional job one year ago; in the main job between the main job one year ago and the last job, etc. If a person has not been in employment at least 8 years, code 4 should be applied.

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| C8 | |
| Target group | C5= 1, 2 |
| Question | <p>State the total number of days off work during the last 12 months due to your most serious health complaint caused or made worse by work</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Less than one day 1 ➤ At least one day but less than four days 2 ➤ At least four days but less than fourteen days 3 ➤ At least fourteen days but less than one month 4 ➤ At least one months but less than three months 5 ➤ At least three months but less than six months 6 ➤ At least six months but less than nine months 7 ➤ At least nine months but less than twelve months 8 ➤ Twelve months with expectation to resume work in future 9 ➤ I expect never to work again because of my most serious health complaint 10 ➤ I have been not working because of other reason as my main serious health problem 11 |

See the question C8 in the explanatory notes for employed

If a person due to the most serious health problem has not recovered at the day of interview but expects to resume work later, then the absence should be counted until the date of interview (within the time limit of the reference period). One of the codes 1 - 8 should be used.

Finally, when a person expects, at the date of the interview, never to work again due to

the most serious health complaint, the code 9 should be applied.

Code 10 should be applied if the person was not working at all during the whole reference period due to other reasons than the most serious health complaint e.g. training, holidays, slack work, maternity leave, unemployed, ill or retired etc.

| C9 | |
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| Target group | C5= 1, 2 |
| Question | Does your most serious health complaint limit your ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities? ➤ - Yes, considerably 1 ➤ - Yes, in some extent 2 ➤ - No 3 |

The aim of the question is to obtain the information how and what extent the respondent's most serious health complaint caused or made worse by work limits the person's ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities.

The explanatory notes come into force on 1.4.2007.

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