

Slovakia

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# ISSP Background Variable Documentation

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Users of the international ISSP data file should have all relevant information to understand the construction of the ISSP background variables. Thus, the ISSP has decided to provide a documentation of its background variables and to regularly update this documentation (decisions of the ISSP General Meetings in 2005 and 2006). The information collected with this document will be published with the ISSP data files. Furthermore, it will help to discuss and decide on streamlining the ISSP background variables.

The Demographics Method Group asks you to provide information on all your ISSP background variables. The document at hand serves to collect and structure this information from ISSP members in a template.

Please note that, due to changes in the ISSP Background Variables, there are different versions of documentation templates to use, related to the respective ISSP study under consideration. The template at hand serves to document your national **ISSP 2011 and 2012** surveys.

The document consists of three sections: Section 1 of this documentation refers to basic elements: source description, information on filters and routing, and construction information. In section 2, as an example, we present the relevant information for the variable UNION (Trade union membership) from Germany. Section 3 finally offers the documentation template for all ISSP background variables valid from the ISSP module 2010 forward.

If you have any questions on the documentation, please do not hesitate to contact us:

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## 1. Basic Elements

For each of the variables listed in section 3 below, please give the following information as applicable.

### ❖ Source description

- Please give the **question no./position/name(s)** used in your field questionnaire and report additional information sources, for example, if interviewer observation was used instead of asking questions to respondents. If your ISSP is run with a larger survey and the background variable is taken from this survey, then refer to that (those) source question(s). Please make a **note** from which survey the question(s)/variable(s) come(s) (see below).
- Please give the text of the **original question(s)** exactly as used in your field questionnaire and **in your national language**.
  - Please include all **response categories** of the original field questionnaire.

- Please give **interviewer instructions** if necessary to understand the generation of response codes.
- Please **translate original questions, response categories and interviewer instructions** into English.
- Please provide **notes** if needed. Notes can address both possible translation issues (**translation note**) and country specific particularities of question background, of variable generation or of the meaning of individual response categories (**note**).
- ❖ **Filter Variables and Conditions:** If any variables cover only part of the sample, please list the conditions (questions/variables and categories/codes) used to define the *excluded cases*. In other words, report the conditions which lead to a ‘not applicable’ code in the variable following the filter.
- ❖ **Construction/Recoding**
  - Please report how the codes of the ISSP target variable were derived from your source data.
  - Please use a table of correspondence with source and target codes (see the example in section 2 and tables in section 3).
  - If construction of ISSP target codes involves more than simple 1-1 relationships between source and target codes, please use roughly Boolean syntax as shown in the example 2 below. Command syntax of common statistics programs is also welcome. Just put the syntax used into the “Optional: Recoding Syntax” box if you consider that it will increase comprehensibility and transparency.
  - Please always (also for country specific variables) report how the ISSP missing values (not applicable-NAP, no answer-NA, don’t know-DK) were filled.
- ❖ **Complementary information (see last page)**
  - Please provide the part(s) of your country questionnaire that relate(s) to the background variables reported in this template. If these variables are already covered by your country’s field questionnaire delivered with your national ISSP data file, then just tick the box on the last page of this document. (PDF or MS Word format preferred.)
  - Please also supply frequency tables with absolute and relative frequencies, missing values *included*, for **all source** variables. *Source variables* are the country-specific variables **before** recodes into ISSP standard variables are done. (MS Word or simple ASCII file preferred.)
  - If your country derives ISCO88 codes from a national occupation coding scheme, please supply a correspondence list of national codes and ISCO88 codes. (MS Word or simple ASCII file preferred.)

## 2. Example

The German example for the variable UNION is constructed from two variables referring to two questions in the German field questionnaire.

### UNION – Trade union membership

	National Language	English Translation
<i>Question no. and text</i>	#1 Darf ich Sie fragen, ob Sie derzeit Mitglied in einer Gewerkschaft sind?	#1 May I ask you whether you are currently a member of a trade union?
<i>Codes/ Categories</i>	1. Ja, bin Mitglied	1. Yes, I am member
	2. Nein, bin kein Mitglied	2. No, I am not member
	9. Keine Angabe*	9. No answer*
	0. Nein, Befragter will Frage nicht beantworten*	0. Respondent refuses to answer*
<i>Question no. and text</i>	#2 Waren Sie früher einmal Mitglied in einer Gewerkschaft?	#2 Were you once a member of a trade union?
<i>Codes/ Categories</i>	1. Ja	1. Yes
	2. Nein	2. No
	8. Weiß nicht	8. Don't know
	9. Keine Angabe*	9. No answer*
<i>Note</i>	Falls Befragter aktuell kein Gewerkschaftsmitglied ist; „nein“ in #1	If respondent not currently union member; no in #1
<i>Interviewer Instructions</i>	—	
<i>Translation Note</i>	—	
<i>Note</i>	Current and former union membership taken from ALLBUS 2010 Answer categories marked by an asterisk are not read aloud.	

### Filter Variable(s) and Conditions:

Former membership (#2) not asked if respondent currently member (#1=1)
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### Construction/Recoding:

Country Variable Codes/ Construction Rules	→UNION
If (#1=1)	1. Yes, currently
If (#2=1)	2. Yes, previously but not currently
If (#1=2 and #2=2)	3. No, never

If (#1=0)	7. Refused
Else	9. No answer

### 3. Variable List

In the following you will find forms to ease documentation of the points described in section 1 above.

#### Some Hints to Fill in the Forms

- Please fill in the forms on the screen and return the file to <isspservice@gesis.org> – please do *not* return a printout using paper and pencil!
- In general, please feel free to be flexible in using the forms. If necessary adopt them to your reporting needs. In particular:
  - Please insert as many additional fields as needed, e.g. add lines if your country variable has more categories than the template provides.
  - Please skip fields not needed, e.g. skip ‘note’ lines if no note is required.
  - If individual response categories require separate notes, insert as many additional lines as necessary *below* the respective category.
  - If your field questionnaire has more than one language version, please replicate the complete ‘National Language - English Translation/Note’ block as often as needed.
- The question numbers should refer to the numbers of your original field questionnaire.
- For variables with continuous data (AGE, WRKHRS...), please list the lowest and the highest valid codes empirically found in your country’s data and the various non-response codes, e.g. NAP (not applicable), DK (don’t know); if additional non-response codes occur in your data, such as ‘refused’, please add.
- If source variables are relevant for *several* ISSP target variables, please copy the information for the source variables each time to offer a complete documentation of the individual ISSP target variable.

Please name the **ISSP module** which the documentation refers to (e.g., “*Health and Health Care / ISSP2011*”):

**Health and Health Care / ISSP2011**

Please name your **country**:

**Slovakia**

**SEX - Sex of respondent**

	National Language	English Translation
<i>Question no. and text</i>	<b>SEX</b> POHLAVIE RESPONDENTA	Respondent's sex
<i>Codes/ Categories</i>	1) muž	1) man
	2) žena	2) woman
<i>Interviewer Instruction</i>		
<i>Translation Note</i>		
<i>Note</i>	Interviewer observation	

**Construction/Recoding:**

Country Variable Codes (in translation)	→ SEX
1) man	1. Male
2) woman	2. Female
Not used	9. No answer, refused







































































































## SK\_INC – Country-specific: household income

	National Language	English Translation
<i>Question no. and text</i>	<p>nat_INC</p> <p>Teraz sa chceme opýtať na príjem Vašej DOMÁCNOSTI.</p> <p>Domácnosťou rozumieme spoločnú domácnosť manželov alebo partnerov, ktorí žijú sami, s deťmi, prípadne s rodičmi, ale aj domácnosť samostatne žijúcich osôb, ktoré spolu hospodária. Povedzte prosím, aký je čistý mesačný príjem všetkých členov Vašej domácnosti spolu, keď do neho zahrniete mzdy, dôchodky, štipendiá a všetky ostatné pracovné i nepracovné príjmy. Zarátajte, prosím, aj Váš príjem. Uveďte príjem v Eurách.</p> <p>Odhadnite, prosím, čo najpresnejšie ...</p>	<p>Now we would like to ask about the income of your HOUSEHOLD.</p> <p>By household we mean a shared household of spouses or partners, who live alone, with children, eventually with parents as well as households of independently living persons who share a common budget. Tell us, please, what is net monthly income of all household members together when you include wages, pensions, scholarships and all other working and non-working incomes? Count in your income too please. Answer in Euro.</p> <p>Estimate, please as accurately as possible...</p>
	<p>HINCKAT</p> <p>Vyberte z nasledujúceho zoznamu tú možnosť, ktorá zodpovedá výške čistých príjmov celej Vašej domácnosti.</p>	<p>From the following list, please, choose the option that represents the size of your net personal incomes.</p>
<i>Codes/ Categories</i>	1) do 150 € (pribl. do 4 500 Sk)	1) up to 150 € (approx. 4 500 SKK)
	2) 151 – 300 € (pribl. 4 500 – 9 000 Sk)	2) 151 - 300 € (approx. 4 500 - 9 000 SKK)
	3) 301 – 450 € (pribl. 9 000 – 13 500 Sk)	3) 301 - 450 € (approx. 9 000 - 13 500 SKK)
	4) 451 – 600 € (pribl. 13 500 – 18 000 Sk)	4) 451 - 600 € (approx. 13 500 - 18 000 SKK)
	5) 601 – 750 € (pribl. 18 000 – 22 500 Sk)	5) 601 - 750 € (approx. 18 000 - 22 500 SKK)
	6) 751 – 900 € (pribl. 22 500 – 27 000 Sk)	6) 751 - 900 € (approx. 22 500 - 27 000 SKK)
	7) 901 – 1 200 € (pribl. 27 000 – 36 000 Sk Sk)	7) 901 - 1 200 € (approx. 27 000 - 36 000 SKK)
	8) 1 201 – 1 500 € (pribl. 36 000 – 45 000 Sk Sk)	8) 1 201 - 1 500 € (approx. 36 000 - 45 000 SKK)
	9) 1 501 – 2 000 € (pribl. 45 000 – 60 000 Sk Sk)	9) 1 501 - 2 000 € (approx. 45 000 - 60 000 SKK)
	10) 2 001 – 3 000 € (pribl. 60 000 – 90 000 Sk)	10) 2 001 - 3 000 € (approx. 60 000 - 90 000 SKK)
	11) viac ako 3 000 € (viac ako pribl. 90 000 Sk)	11) more than 3 000 € (more than 90 000 SKK)
	12) ná odpoveď (uveďte)	12) other answer (specify)

	99) nevie si vybrat'	99) can't choose
<i>Interviewer Instruction</i>		
<i>Translation Note</i>		
<i>Note</i>	This question was asked in two steps. First, the respondent was asked to provide an exact assessment of his incomes (nat_INC). If he refused, he was asked to place himself within the provided categories (HINCKAT). Currency: EURO (since 1.1.2009) To avoid confusion with ranges in new currency only, alternative ranges in Slovak Crowns were also used in category descriptions.	

#### Filter Variable(s) and Conditions:

**Question was not asked if HOMEPOP=1.  
IF (HOMPOP = 1) SK\_INC = SK\_RINC.**

**Construction/Recoding:** (If the income information is collected by asking for income classes or brackets, please code class midpoints in local currency and report classes offered to respondents. If asking for individual amounts, list lowest, highest, and 'missing' codes only)

Country Variable Codes/Construction Rules	→nat_INC
	...
	000000. No income
	999997. Refused
	999998. Don't know
	999999. No answer

#### Optional: Recoding Syntax

**RECODE nat\_INC (0 = 0) (1 thru 150 = 75) (151 thru 300 = 225) (301 thru 450 = 375) (451 thru 600 = 525) (601 thru 750 = 675) (751 thru 900=825) (901 thru 1200 = 1050) (1201 thru 1500 = 1350) (1501 thru 2000 = 1750) (2001 thru 3000 = 2500) (3001 thru 9000 = 3000) INTO SK\_INC.**  
**RECODE HINCKAT (1=75) (2=225) (3=375) (4=525) (5=675) (6=825) (7=1050) (8=1350) (9=1750) (10=2500) (11=3000) (99=999998) INTO SK\_INC.**  
**RECODE SK\_INC (SYSMIS = 999999) (ELSE=Copy).**  
**IF (HOMPOP = 1) SK\_INC = SK\_RINC.**

**MARITAL – Legal partnership status**

	<b>National Language</b>	<b>English Translation</b>
<i>Question no. and text</i>	MARITAL Aký je Váš súčasný rodinný stav?	What is your current marital status?
<i>Codes/ Categories</i>	1) ženatý, vydatá a žijeme spoločne	1) Married and living together
	2) ženatý, vydatá, ale žijeme oddelene	2) Married, but living separately
	3) slobodný(-á) (doteraz nikdy neuzavrel(a) manželstvo)	3) Single (have never been married)
	4) vdovec, vdova	4) Widower/widow
	5) rozvedený(-á)	5) Divorced
	6) druh, družka	6) registered partnership ( <i>note: between man and woman, not a homosexual couple!</i> )
	9) nevie si vybrať	9) can't choose
<i>Interviewer Instruction</i>		
<i>Translation Note</i>		
<i>Note</i>		

**Construction/Recoding:**

<b>Country Variable Codes/Construction Rules</b>	<b>→ Marital</b>
	1. Married
	2. Civil partnership
	3. Separated from spouse/civil partner (still legally married/still legally in a civil partnership)
	4. Divorced from spouse/legally separated from civil partner
	5. Widowed/civil partner died
	6. Never married/never in a civil partnership
	7. Refused
	9. No answer

**Optional: Recoding Syntax**

**RECODE MARITAL (2=3) (3=6) (4=5) (5=4) (6=2) (0 = 9) (ELSE=Copy).**

**URBRURAL – Place of living: urban - rural**

	<b>National Language</b>	<b>English Translation</b>
<i>Question no. and text</i>	URBRURAL Ako by ste označili typ sídla, v ktorom žijete?	How would you describe the location you live in?
<i>Codes/ Categories</i>	1) väčšie mesto (veľkomesto)	1) a big city
	2) predmestie alebo okraj väčšieho mesta (veľkomesta)	2) the suburbs or outskirts of a big city
	3) stredne veľké alebo menšie mesto	3) a town or a small city
	4) dedina	4) a country village
	5) farma alebo samota	5) a farm or home in the country
<i>Interviewer Instruction</i>		
<i>Translation Note</i>		
<i>Note</i>		

**Filter Variable(s) and Conditions:**

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**Construction/Recoding:**

<b>Country Variable Codes/Construction Rules</b>	<b>→ URBRURAL</b>
	1. A big city
	2. The suburbs or outskirts of a big city
	3. A town or a small city
	4. A country village
	5. A farm or home in the country
	9. No answer

**Optional: Recoding Syntax**

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**SK\_REG – Country specific: region**

	<b>National Language</b>	<b>English Translation</b>
<i>Question no. and text</i>		
<i>Codes/ Categories</i>		
<i>Interviewer Instruction</i>		
<i>Translation Note</i>		
<i>Note</i>	<i>Variable generated from municipality codes filled in by interviewer.</i>	

**Filter Variable(s) and Conditions:**

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**Construction/Recoding:**

<b>Country Variable Codes/Construction Rules</b>	<b>→ nat_REG</b>
	1) Bratislava county
	2) Trnava county
	3) Trencin county
	4) Nitra county
	5) Zilina county
	6) Banska Bystrica county
	7) Presov county
	8) Kosice county

**Optional: Recoding Syntax**

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**SUBSCASE – Case substitution flag**

	<b>National Language</b>	<b>English Translation</b>
<i>Question no. and text</i>		
<i>Codes/ Categories</i>		
<i>Interviewer Instruction</i>		
<i>Translation Note</i>		
<i>Note</i>		

**Filter Variable(s) and Conditions:**

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**Construction/Recoding:**

<b>Country Variable Codes/Construction Rules</b>	<b>→ SUBSCASE</b>
	0. NAP, no substitution in this survey
	1. Case from original sample
	2. Case substituted

**Optional: Recoding Syntax**

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**WEIGHT – Weighting factor**

Please report on whether you calculate any weighting variables. If you adjust for non-response bias, please enter the variable(s) on which the sample's distribution(s) is (are) adjusted to the population distribution(s). Please, also report if you apply any kind of rescaling.

<i>Design weight to adjust for unequal selection probabilities</i>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Weight to adjust for non-response bias</i>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> → please specify variables used for calculation of weight  SEX, AGE GROUPS, EDUCATION, ETHNICITY (NATIONALITY), SIZE OF COMMUNITY, REGION
<i>Are the final weights rescaled to net sample size (thus weighted sample size=unweighted sample size)?</i>	No	<input type="checkbox"/> → please specify target population represented by sum of all case weights
	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Note</i>		

**Construction/Recoding:**

<b>Country Variable Codes/Construction Rules</b>	<b>→ WEIGHT</b>
	1. No weighting

**MODE – Administrative mode of data-collection**

<i>Note</i>	
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**Construction/Recoding:**

<b>Country Variable Codes/Construction Rules</b>	<b>→ Mode</b>
	10. F2f/PAPI, no visuals
	11. F2f/PAPI, visuals
	12. F2f/PAPI, respondent reading questionnaire
	13. F2f/PAPI, interpreter or translator – no visuals
	14. F2f/PAPI, interpreter or translator – visuals
	20. CAPI, no visuals
FACE TO FACE - CAPI (WITH SOME VISUALS ON THE NOTEBOOK SCREEN)	21. CAPI, visuals
	22. CAPI, respondent reading questionnaire (paper or on monitor)
	23. CAPI, interpreter or translator – no visuals
	24. CAPI, interpreter or translator – visuals
	30. SC, arrives with interviewer, interviewer attending
	31. SC, arrives with interviewer, drops-off, picks up later
	32. SC, arrives with interviewer, drops off, mailed back by R
	33. SC, mailed to, completed by R and hold for pick up
	34. SC, mailed to, mailed back by R
	40. CASI, self-completion, computer-assisted

#### **4. Country Questionnaire**

Please provide the part(s) of your country questionnaire that relate(s) to the background variables reported in this template. If these variables are already covered by your country's field questionnaire delivered with your national ISSP data file, then just tick on the last page of this document. (PDF or MS Word format preferred.)

[ X ] Already included in field questionnaire provided with the country data file.

[ ] Attached file: XXXXX.XXX

#### **5. Frequency Distributions of Source Variables**

Please supply frequency distributions with absolute and relative frequencies, missing values *included*, for **all** *source* variables. *Source variables* are the country-specific variables **before** recodes into ISSP standard variables are done. (MS Word or simple ASCII file preferred.)

Attached file: 06a\_SK\_DEMOGRAPHY\_SOURCE.doc.

#### **6. Correspondence list ISCO88<->national occupation codes**

If your country derives ISCO88 codes from a national occupation coding scheme, please supply a correspondence list of national codes and ISCO88 codes. (MS Word or simple ASCII file preferred.)

[ X ] ISCO88 is used to code responses directly.

[ ] Conversion of national coding scheme to ISCO88. Attached file: ZZZZZZ.ZZZ.