

GROUP ASSIGNMENT 6 ECTS

This is a group assignment: you should form some groups (e.g. three groups) and each group should work separately using one of the three available datasets (data referring to Italy, Spain and UK).

Each group will be asked to present the work in a seminar. The work should be in the form of a policy paper. Policy papers usually address at a non-academic audience, such as a particular official, agency, or organization. They may begin by diagnosing a particular issue or situation, and typically argue for a solution that will address that issue or situation. Evidence in support of a position is crucial. Each group should therefore present the initial problem/issue, the results of the analysis done, finally addressing the limitations and potentialities.

The work must also address the data description, comments on the survey and on the definition of the target variable, and pros and cons of the computed direct estimates of the indicators used in the analysis.

Data description

In the three datasets (each available as csv files) you have individual data on the following variables:

DB010: Year
DB020: Country
HB030: Household ID
DB040: Region
RX020: AGE
DB090: Household Cross-Sectional weight
RB050: Personal Cross-Sectional weight
RB030: Personal ID
RB090: Sex
HY020: Total Household Disposable Income

The map and the name of the region variable DB040 are available for all the countries in the Eurostat paper "Regions in the European Union".