

EU labour force survey - modules

Statistics Explained

This [Eurostat](#) article describes the modules of the [European Union Labour Force Survey \(EU-LFS\)](#) . The aim of a module is to provide users with statistics on a specific topic concerning the [labour market](#) by adding a set of variables to supplement the core EU-LFS.

This article is part of a [set of online articles](#) on the EU-LFS.

Overview of the modules

Since 1999 an inherent part of the [European Union Labour Force Survey \(EU-LFS\)](#) are the modules. These were called "ad hoc modules" until 2020. From 2021 onwards they are named either "regular modules", when the variables have an 8 yearly periodicity, or "modules on an ad hoc subject" for variables not included in the regular data sets.

The [Regulation 0577/1998](#) of 9 March 1998 on the organisation of a labour force sample survey in the Community, in force until 2020, specified that a further set of variables may be added to supplement the information from the core questionnaire of the EU-LFS. The ad hoc modules were set by Commission regulation by group of 3 years. For details on the regulations for the ad hoc modules and their topics and description, please consult the article [EU Labour Force Survey – Main features and legal basis](#) .

The [Regulation \(EU\) 2019/1700](#) , also called the Integrated European Social Statistics Framework Regulation (IESS FR), and its [Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2019/2240](#) for the labour force domain, which apply from 1 January 2021, define the regular data sets and the ad hoc subjects. Moreover, the [Delegated Regulation \(EU\) 2020/256](#) establishing a multiannual rolling planning lists the topics to be collected from 2021 to 2028 for the 8 yearly variables and ad hoc subjects.

For general information on the availability of microdata for researchers and information on publication guidelines for the module variables, please consult the article [EU Labour Force Survey – Data and publication](#) .

Modules by topic

Description of the modules

Reconciliation of work and family life (2025)

Young people on the labour market (2024)

Pensions and labour market participation (2023)

Job skills (2022)

Definition of the module	Guidance for measurement	Implementation by countries	Evaluation of the quality	Results
List of variables	Explanatory notes	National questionnaires and instructions (Zip file) (not yet available)	Evaluation report (not yet available)	Results (not yet available)

Definition of the module	Guidance for measurement	Implementation by countries	Evaluation of the quality	Results
List of variables	Explanatory notes	National questionnaires and instructions (Zip file) (not yet available)	Evaluation report (not yet available)	Results (not yet available)

Definition of the module	Guidance for measurement	Implementation by countries	Evaluation of the quality	Results
List of variables	Explanatory notes	National questionnaires and instructions (Zip file) (not yet available)	Evaluation report (not yet available)	Results (not yet available)

Definition of the module	Guidance for measurement	Implementation by countries	Evaluation of the quality	Results
List of variables	Explanatory notes (including the model questionnaire)	National questionnaires and instructions (Zip file) (not yet available)	Evaluation report (not yet available)	EU-LFS database News article Statistics Explained article Employment statistics - utilisation of job skills Statistics Explained article Employment statistics - focus on communication skills

Labour market situation of migrants and their immediate descendants (2021)

Accidents at work and other work-related health problems (2020)

Definition of the module	Guidance for measurement	Implementation by countries	Evaluation of the quality	Results
List of variables (presented at the end of Annex I)	Explanatory notes Model questionnaire	National questionnaires and instructions (Zip file) (not yet available)	Evaluation report (not yet available)	EU-LFS database News article Statistics Explained article on the main obstacles for foreign-born people to enter the labour market Statistics Explained article on the main characteristics of foreign-born people on the labour market Statistics Explained article on the self-perceived discrimination at work

Work organisation and working time arrangements (2019)

Definition of the module	Guidance for measurement	Implementation by countries	Evaluation of the quality	Results
List of variables	Explanatory notes	National questionnaires and instructions (Zip file)	Evaluation report	EU-LFS database Statistics Explained article on accidents at work Statistics Explained article on work-related health problems and risk factors

Reconciliation between work and family life (2018)

Definition of the module	Guidance for measurement	Implementation by countries	Evaluation of the quality	Results
List of variables	Explanatory notes	National questionnaires and instructions (Zip file)	Evaluation report	EU-LFS database Statistics Explained article on Flexibility at work Statistics Explained article on Job autonomy and pressure at work Statistics Explained article on Place of work and commuting time News release

Self-employment (2017)

Definition of the module	Guidance for measurement	Implementation by countries	Evaluation of the quality	Results
List of variables	Explanatory notes	National questionnaires and instructions (Zip file)	Evaluation report	EU-LFS database Statistics Explained article News release

Young people on the labour market (2016)

Definition of the module	Guidance for measurement	Implementation by countries	Evaluation of the quality	Results
List of variables	Explanatory notes	National questionnaires and instructions (Zip file)	Evaluation report	EU-LFS database Statistics Explained article News release

Labour market situation of migrants and their immediate descendants (2014)

Definition of the module	Guidance for measurement	Implementation by countries	Evaluation of the quality	Results
List of variables	Explanatory notes Flow chart	National questionnaires and instructions (Zip file)	Evaluation report	EU-LFS database Statistics Explained article News release

Accidents at work and other work-related health problems (2013)

Definition of the module	Guidance for measurement	Implementation by countries	Evaluation of the quality	Results
List of variables	Model questionnaire Annex model questionn.	National questionnaires and instructions (Zip file)	Evaluation report	EU-LFS database A series of Statistics Explained articles

Transition from work to retirement (2012)

Definition of the module	Guidance for measurement	Implementation by countries	Evaluation of the quality	Results
List of variables	Explanatory notes	National questionnaires and instructions (Zip file)	Evaluation report (Zip file)	EU-LFS database Statistics Explained article on Self-reported accidents at work Statistics Explained article on Self-reported work-related health problems and risk factors

Employment of disabled people (2011)

Definition of the module	Guidance for measurement	Implementation by countries	Evaluation of the quality	Results
List of variables	FAQ Explanatory notes Mapping of pensions	National questionnaires and instructions (Zip file)	Evaluation report	EU-LFS database AHM 2012 (SE article)

Reconciliation between work and family life (2010)

Entry of young people into the labour market (2009)

Labour market situation of migrants and their immediate descendants (2008)

Definition of the module	Guidance for measurement	Implementation by countries	Evaluation of the quality	Results
List of variables	FAQ Explanatory notes	National questionnaires and instructions (Zip file)	Evaluation report (draft)	EU-LFS database

Definition of the module	Guidance for measurement	Implementation by countries	Evaluation of the quality	Results
List of variables	FAQ Explanatory notes	National questionnaires and instructions (Zip file)	Evaluation report	EU-LFS database Publication Gender Equality in the Work Force (EC DG JUST)

Definition of the module	Guidance for measurement	Implementation by countries	Evaluation of the quality	Results
List of variables	FAQ Explanatory notes	National questionnaires and instructions (Zip file)	Evaluation report	EU-LFS database

Definition of the module	Guidance for measurement	Implementation by countries	Evaluation of the quality	Results
List of variables	FAQ Explanatory notes	National questionnaires and instructions (Zip file)	Evaluation report	EU-LFS database Publication SBK 2011

Accidents at work and work-related health problems (2007)

Transition from work into retirement (2006)

Definition of the module	Guidance for measurement	Implementation by countries	Evaluation of the quality	Results
List of variables	FAQ Explanatory notes	National questionnaires and instructions (Zip file)	Evaluation report	EU-LFS database Article SIF 63/2009 Publication SBK 2010

Definition of the module
List of variables

Reconciliation between work and family life (2005)

Work organisation and working time arrangements (2004)

Lifelong learning (2003)

Employment of disabled people (2002)

Length and patterns of working time (2001)

Transition from school to working life (2000)

Accidents at work and occupational diseases (1999)

See also

- [All articles on labour market](#)
- [European Union Labour Force Survey \(EU-LFS\)](#)

Dedicated section

- [Labour market \(including Labour Force Survey\)](#)