

# EUROSTAT Family Budget Survey among retired EU-staff 2024\_v1

Fields marked with \* are mandatory.



## WELCOME TO THE 2024 FAMILY BUDGET SURVEY

*This survey is conducted among retired European Union staff, staff on invalidity, widows/widowers and orphans receiving a pension from a European Institution. Thank you in advance for your participation.*

### Introduction

Harmonised surveys are conducted by Eurostat (the Statistical Office of the European Union) in collaboration with other partner international organisations such as the ISRP (International Service for Remunerations and Pensions of the Coordinated Organisations), the EPO (European Patent Office) and Eurocontrol (European Organisation for the Safety of Air Navigation). The purpose is to collect specific information on spending in order to **estimate an average expenditure pattern** for retired international staff and their families in each Member State.

The resulting pattern is an essential element in the calculation of post adjustments, purchasing power parities (PPP) and the correction coefficients (CC) applicable to the pensions of European Union officials as well as the retired staff of other international organisations.

**The results of this survey will have an impact in the calculation of pensions, and therefore you have a direct interest in completing the survey.** Only you possess the necessary information to evaluate your household expenditure, which is the object of the survey.

Please note that the aim of the survey is not to know how much money you spend, but what you spend it on. This means that the pattern of your expenditure will allow us to give adequate importance to different items in a basket of goods and services at the time of calculating the PPP.

### **INDIVIDUAL DATA PROTECTION:**

In conducting this survey, we observe the rules and conditions on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data, including the Regulation (EU) 2018/1725.

Your participation in the survey is voluntary. Some questions are mandatory, others are optional. The information you provide will remain **completely anonymous**. Its origin cannot be traced, since there is no name or identifying number on the questionnaire. The submitted questionnaires will not be communicated to the administration of your Organisation: the data will be processed by a limited number of statistical experts in Eurostat. If you have any questions about this, please refer to the **FBS data protection register entry** and the **FBS privacy statement**.

The information provided will be combined with that of other persons in order to calculate the average consumption structure of international retired officials in your place of residence. Therefore, in order to obtain statistically viable results, a maximal number of replies is vital to ensure a balanced, representative profile of the population. For example, one goal will be to avoid a situation with replies only from male /female, old/young, single/married, with/without children, low/high income, previously temporary/permanent officials, just arrived/long established, single/multiple nationality, expatriate/indigenous, city centre/rural, etc.

Before you begin to fill in the questionnaire, please read the detailed instructions carefully at the start of each section as well as the Important General Guidelines right below.

If you have any questions, please refer first to the **Frequently Asked Questions** section. In the event you could not find the answer to your questions, you can contact **Eurostat** [ESTAT-C3-FBS@EC.EUROPA.EU](mailto:ESTAT-C3-FBS@EC.EUROPA.EU)

## **Important General Guidelines**

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**Before starting to fill in the questionnaire**, it may be helpful to compile information about your consumption during the reference period (e.g. contract agreements, subscription renewals, invoices, supermarket till receipts, credit card records, bank statements, insurance records, health claims and reimbursements, education declarations and allowances, tax returns).

Please take the necessary time to complete all sections of the questionnaire. **Remember that an incomplete questionnaire is not likely to be usable, and your efforts will be wasted.** If you forget to record the purchase of a bus ticket or a newspaper, this will have little impact on the overall quality of the results; however, your best estimate for an expense is better than leaving a blank.

If you cannot find an expense item in one of the boxes provided, please consult the detailed list of expenditures at the end of the survey which indicates where certain items are classified, and use the **section 5 “OTHER EXPENSES”** to specify as much as possible the nature and the amount of your expenditure.

You can **save the partially completed questionnaire** at any time and recover it later for completion.

**Please note that all expenditure you report in the survey must be in the currency of your country of residence. For ‘Purchases OUTSIDE the country of residence’, please specify country or countries and convert all expenses into the same currency of your country of residence.**

The expenses you should record are those **for the entire household**, and not those only paid by you.

Record any gifts in the corresponding expenditure area relating to the gift. For example, the purchase of a gift of jewellery under “jewellery” in question 66. A gift of a toy under “toy” in question 52.

## Section 1: Personal information

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### Specific Guidelines

**An \* denotes a mandatory field.**

The basic information provided in this section is essential to validate the survey results and to aggregate them to the total population of international retired officials in your place of residence.

The first question identifies your **main place of residence** (country and city).

The next question identifies your age, which is a standard variable in such surveys, providing important context to help understand your spending pattern.

Then we ask about the number of persons belonging to your household, either living at the same address or elsewhere. This is also a standard variable providing important context to help understand your spending.

Then we ask some questions about your household income, which is another standard variable providing important context.

Finally, we ask about your former employer, which is also an important analytical variable.

### Basic Information

#### \* Country of residence

- Austria
- Belgium
- Bulgaria
- Croatia
- Cyprus
- Czechia
- Denmark

- Estonia
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Hungary
- Ireland
- Italy
- Latvia
- Lithuania
- Luxembourg
- Malta
- Netherlands
- Poland
- Portugal
- Romania
- Slovakia
- Slovenia
- Spain
- Sweden
- Other

**City of residence**

- Vienna
- Other

**City of residence**

- Brussels
- Other

**City of residence**

- Sofia
- Other

**City of residence**

- Zagreb

- Other

**City of residence**

- Nicosia
- Other

**City of residence**

- Prague
- Other

**City of residence**

- Copenhagen
- Other

**City of residence**

- Tallinn
- Other

**City of residence**

- Helsinki
- Other

**City of residence**

- Paris
- Other

**City of residence**

- Berlin
- Other

**City of residence**

- Athens
- Other

**City of residence**

- Budapest
- Other

**City of residence**

- Dublin
- Other

**City of residence**

- Rome
- Other

**City of residence**

- Riga
- Other

**City of residence**

- Vilnius
- Other

**City of residence**

- Luxembourg
- Other

**City of residence**

- Valletta
- Other

**City of residence**

- Amsterdam
- Other

**City of residence**

- Warsaw
- Other

**City of residence**

- Lisbon
- Other

**City of residence**

- Bucharest

- Other

**City of residence**

- Bratislava
- Other

**City of residence**

- Ljubljana
- Other

**City of residence**

- Madrid
- Other

**City of residence**

- Stockholm
- Other

**City of residence**

- Other

**(Other) Please indicate your city of residence**

**(Other) Please indicate country of residence**

**For which organisation did you work before retiring?**

- EU agency
- EU institutions and other bodies
- Other international organisations
- Other

Please specify which

**EU institutions and other EU bodies**

- CERT-EU (Computer Emergency Response Team)
- Committee of Regions
- EPSO (European Personnel Selection Office)
- ESA (European School of Administration)
- European Central Bank
- European Commission
- European Council
- European Court of Auditors
- European Court of Justice
- European Data Control Supervisor
- European External Action Service
- European Investment Bank
- European Investment Fund
- European Ombudsman
- European Parliament
- European Social and Economic Committee
- European Stability Mechanism
- OP (Publications Office)
- Other

Please specify

**EU Executive agency, Decentralised agency, Joint undertaking, Euratom agency, Common foreign and security policy agency, etc**

- ACER (Agency for Support for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators)
- APPF (Authority for European Political Parties and European Political Foundations)
- BEREC (Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications)
- CAJU: Clean Aviation Joint Undertaking
- CBE\_JU: Circular Bio-based Europe Joint Undertaking
- CdT (Translation Centre for the Bodies of the European Union)
- CEDEFOP (European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training)
- CEPOL (European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Training)
- CINEA (European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency)



- Clean Hydrogen JU: Clean Hydrogen Joint Undertaking
- CPVO (Community Plant Variety Office)
- EACEA (European Education and Culture Executive Agency)
- EASA (European Union Aviation Safety Agency)
- EBA (European Banking Authority)
- ECDC (European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control)
- ECHA (European Chemicals Agency)
- EDA (European Defence Agency)
- EDPB (European Data Protection Board)
- EEA (European Environment Agency)
- EFCA (European Fisheries Control Agency)
- EFSA (European Food Safety Authority)
- EIGE (European Institute for Gender Equality)
- EIOPA (European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority)
- EISMEA (European Innovation Council and SMEs Executive Agency)
- EIT (European Institute of Innovation & Technology)
- ELA (European Labour Authority)
- EMA (European Medicines Agency)
- EMCDDA (European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction)
- EMSA (European Maritime Safety Agency)
- ENISA (European Union Agency for Network and Information Security)
- EPPO (European Public Prosecutor's Office)
- ERA (European Union Agency for Railways)
- ERCEA (European Research Council Executive Agency)
- ESMA (European Securities and Markets Authority)
- ETF (European Training Foundation)
- EUAA (European Union Agency for Asylum) - formerly EASO (European Asylum Support Office)
- EUIPO (European Union Intellectual Property Office)
- EUISS (European Union Institute for Security Studies)
- EU-LISA (European Union Agency for the Operational Management of Large-Scale IT Systems in the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice)
- EU-OSHA (European Agency for Safety and Health at Work)
- EURail\_JU: Europe's Rail Joint Undertaking
- ESA (Euratom Supply Agency)

- EUROFOUND (European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions)
- EuroHPC: European High Performance Computing Joint Undertaking
- EUROJUST (European Union Agency for Criminal Justice Cooperation)
- EUROPOL (European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation)
- EUSPA (European Agency for the Space Programme) - formerly GNSS/GSA (European Global Navigation Satellite Systems Agency)
- F4E: Fusion for Energy Joint Undertaking - ITER
- FRA (European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights)
- FRONTEX (European Border and Coast Guard Agency)
- GH\_EDCTP3: Global Health (European and Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership, EDCTP3) Joint Undertaking
- HaDEA (European Health and Digital Executive Agency)
- IHI\_JU: Innovative Health Initiative
- KDT\_JU: Key Digital Technology Joint Undertaking
- REA (European Research Executive Agency)
- SatGen (European Union Satellite Centre)
- SESAR3\_JU: SESAR 3 Joint Undertaking (Single European Sky Air Traffic Management Research)
- SNS\_JU: Smart Networks and Services Joint Undertaking
- SRB (Single Resolution Board)
- Other

Please specify

**Other international organisations**

- European Free Trade Association, EFTA
- European Organisation for Nuclear Research, CERN
- European Organisation for the Safety of Air Navigation, EUROCONTROL
- European Patent Office, EPO
- European Southern Observatory, ESO
- The Council of Europe (CoE)
- The European Centre for Medium-range Weather Forecasts (ECMWF)

- The European Organisation for the Exploitation of Meteorological Satellites (EUMETSAT)
- The European Space Agency (ESA)
- The International Service for Remunerations and Pensions of the Coordinated Organisations (ISRP)
- The North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO)
- The Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)
- United Nations International Civil Service Commission, ICSC
- Other

Please specify

**How old are you?**

**Number of persons belonging to your household**

Dependent child is a child under 18, or between 18 and 26 who is receiving educational or vocational training.

\* Adults (including yourself) living in the same dwelling

Dependent children living in the same dwelling

Adults living elsewhere (belonging to your household)

Dependent children living elsewhere

**Total**

**\* Is any member of your household engaged in gainful working or receiving a pension besides yourself?**

- Yes
- No

\* **Does your pension represent 50% or more of the total household income?**

- Yes  
 No

You can at any time save a draft of the survey and complete it later by clicking on 'SAVE AS DRAFT' in the column to the right.

## Section 2: Dwelling expenditure (incl. rent/mortgage)

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### Specific Guidelines

**Part (a)** of this section (**Main dwelling information**) : This information relates solely to your main dwelling in your country of residence.

If you have other dwellings than your main residence (e.g. an apartment elsewhere in the same country or a house in another country), you will be able to fill in expenditures related to that dwelling in **parts (b) and (c)**.

As the accommodation cost is a very important element in the calculation of correction coefficients, it is essential that all related questions are answered and that the total area of living space is filled in accurately. If you are a **tenant**, please record your current monthly rent, excluding charges for utilities and other services such as common lighting, elevator, etc. Service and utility charges are then to be shown in the table after the declaration of rent (Dwelling related regular bills).

Exclude any payments for garages, unless this is an integral part of your rent.

If you are the **owner** of your accommodation and if you bought it on a mortgage or any other loan, please state your current monthly loan payment (capital plus interest), but excluding any life insurance.

The table after the declaration of rent (**Dwelling-related regular bills**) concerns your main expenditures such as water, electricity, telephone, etc.

The cost of hybrid packages (internet, telephone, etc) should be declared with landline/mobile phone bills. NB. The purchase of telephone equipment should be declared elsewhere (Q40).

Please record the amount that you currently pay on an average monthly basis, or over the last 12 months. Please also indicate "yes" if these bills are included in your rent.

If you own a dwelling for investment purposes (i.e. if usually rented out), related costs should not be recorded in this survey.

**If there is no expenditure for a given item, please enter '0'.**

### (a) Main dwelling Information

\* **Housing**

- Tenant  Owner

\* **Monthly rent:**

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**\* Monthly loan reimbursement:**

(total amount, capital repayment plus interest)

**\* Type of dwelling**

- Detached house
- Semi or non-detached house
- Apartment
- Studio flat
- Hotel
- Boarding home
- Other

**\* Number of bedrooms**

- no bedroom (or just one room)
- 1 bedroom
- 2 bedrooms
- 3 bedrooms
- 4 bedrooms
- 5 bedrooms
- 6 or more bedrooms

**Estimated total area or living space** (excluding garage, balcony, cellar)

- Square Meters
- Square Feet

**Dwelling related regular bills FOR YOUR MAIN DWELLING in your country  
of residence**

	<b>Expenditure in an average month</b>	<b>Expenditure in the last 12 months</b>	<b>Included in rent? (only for tenants)</b>
<b>1. Charges for dwelling(s) excluding rent</b> (communal building charges, charges including rubbish and sewerage collection)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
<b>2. Water supply</b>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
<b>3. Electricity</b>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
<b>4. Gas</b> (town and natural gas, including meter charges)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
<b>5. Solid and liquid fuel</b> for domestic heating and other types of heating energy	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
<b>6. Garage</b> (for main residence use)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
<b>7. Landline/mobile phone bills</b> (excluding purchase of equipment)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
<b>8. Cable/satellite TV subscription fees and Internet</b> (Netflix, Amazon Prime, etc.)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
<b>9. Local, TV and housing taxes</b>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

**\* (b) Do you own or rent another dwelling IN THE SAME COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE for use by your household?**

(NB. exclude investment properties from which you receive rent income from tenants)

- Yes, I am renting
- Yes, I am owner
- No

**\* Monthly rent**

**\* Monthly loan reimbursement**

(total amount, capital repayment plus interest)

**\* Type of dwelling**

- Detached house
- Semi or non-detached house
- Apartment
- Studio flat
- Hotel
- Boarding home
- Other

**\* Number of bedrooms**

- no bedroom (or just one room)
- 1 bedroom
- 2 bedrooms
- 3 bedrooms
- 4 bedrooms
- 5 bedrooms
- 6 or more bedrooms



**Estimated total area or living space** (excluding garage, balcony, cellar)

\*

- Square Meters
- Square Feet

**Dwelling related regular bills for other dwellings IN YOUR COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE**

Please convert all expenses in the same currency of your country of residence, even if you have expenses for dwelling in other countries.

	Expenditure in an average month	Expenditure in the last 12 months	Included in rent? (only for tenants)
<b>1. Charges for dwelling(s) excluding rent</b> (communal building charges, charges including rubbish and sewerage collection)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
<b>2. Water supply</b>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
<b>3. Electricity</b>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
<b>4. Gas</b> (town and natural gas, including meter charges)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
<b>5. Solid and liquid fuel</b> for domestic heating and other types of heating energy	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
<b>6. Garage</b> (for main residence use)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
<b>7. Landline/mobile phone bills</b> (excluding purchase of equipment)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
<b>8. Cable/satellite TV subscription fees and Internet</b> (Netflix, Amazon Prime, etc.)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
<b>9. Local, TV and housing taxes</b>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

**\* (c) Do you own or rent another dwelling OUTSIDE your country of residence for use by your household?**

(NB. exclude investment properties from which you receive rent from tenants)

- Yes, I am renting
- Yes, I am owner
- No

**\* Monthly rent**

**\* Monthly loan reimbursement**

(total amount, capital repayment plus interest)

**\* Type of dwelling**

- Detached house
- Semi or non-detached house
- Apartment
- Studio flat
- Hotel
- Boarding home
- Other

**\* Number of bedrooms**

- no bedroom (or just one room)
- 1 bedroom
- 2 bedrooms
- 3 bedrooms
- 4 bedrooms
- 5 bedrooms
- 6 or more bedrooms

**Estimated total area or living space** (excluding garage, balcony, cellar)

- Square Meters
- Square Feet

## Dwelling related regular bills OUTSIDE your country of residence

Please convert all expenses in the currency of your country of residence even if you have dwellings in other countries.

### Indicate in which country

	Expenditure in an average month	Expenditure in the last 12 months	Included in rent? (only for tenants)
1. Charges for dwelling(s) <b>excluding rent</b> (communal building charges, charges including rubbish and sewerage collection)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
2. Water supply	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
3. Electricity	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
4. Gas (town and natural gas, including meter charges)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
5. Solid and liquid fuel for domestic heating and other types of heating energy	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
6. Garage (for main residence use)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
7. Landline/mobile phone bills (excluding purchase of equipment)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
8. Cable/satellite TV subscription fees and Internet (Netflix, Amazon Prime, etc.)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
9. Local, TV and housing taxes	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

## Section 3: Household expenses

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### Specific Guidelines

The main purpose of the survey is to estimate the average expenditure pattern of households. Each question allows you to include your purchases either over an average month, or in the last year.

The consumption pattern will be calculated on the basis of annual expenditure. Therefore, if you enter a monthly amount, the questionnaire will automatically calculate your expenses over the 12 month period on this basis.

The first columns relate to "Purchases INSIDE the country of residence" (main dwelling and secondary dwelling in same country, if applicable).

Please only enter a figure in one of the columns (i.e. average month or last 12 months).

Any household expenditure in another country should be recorded under "Purchases OUTSIDE the country of residence". In this case, please indicate the country or countries, and the total annual amount of these expenses converted to the currency of your country of residence, when applicable.

**If there is no expenditure for a given item, please enter '0'.**

Purchases via Internet: All purchases made via Internet are considered as expenses made in your country of residence, provided that the purchased goods are delivered to your country of residence.

If you cannot find an expenditure item in one of the boxes provided, you can search the detailed list of expenditures, or record this in section 5 "Other expenses".

### Specific Guidelines - food, beverages and tobacco

For questions 10 and 11 (Food and non-alcoholic beverage), you are asked to record, for a typical 1 month period (including weekends), your own expenditure as well as the expenditure of other members of your household on food and food-related items and non-alcoholic beverages. Questions 12 and 13 then ask about alcoholic beverages and tobacco products. Questions 14 and 15 relate to food consumption away from home in restaurants and canteens.

It is not necessary for you to break down food expenditure into sub-categories (e.g. bread, meat, fish, dairy, fruit, vegetables).

NB. Food for pets should be recorded separately (Q54).

Question 14 "Restaurants, cafes, bars, take-away" refers to purchases of food, beverages, ice creams, etc. in any of these places, or when delivered to your home/office.

## Food and non-alcoholic Beverages

Please convert all expenses in the currency of your country of residence even if you have expenditures in other countries.

### PURCHASES **INSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

### PURCHASES **OUTSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

**Amount in the last 12 months**

**Expenditure in an average month**

**Expenditure in the last 12 months**

**Country**

**Country**

**10. Food** (excluding pet food)

**11. Non-alcoholic beverages** (soft drinks, mineral water, coffee, etc.)

**11 bis - Are non-alcoholic beverages expenditures (Q11) included in food expenditures (Q10)?**

**Yes**

**No**



## Alcoholic beverages and Tobacco

Please convert all expenses in the currency of your country of residence even if you have expenditures in other countries.

### PURCHASES **INSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

**Expenditure in an average month**

**Expenditure in the last 12 months**

**12. Alcoholic beverages** (beer, wine, spirits, etc.)

**13. Tobacco** (cigarettes, cigars, e-cigarettes, etc.)

### PURCHASES **OUTSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

**Amount in the last 12 months**

**Country**

**Country**

## Meals purchased outside of household

Please convert all expenses in the currency of your country of residence even if you have expenditures in other countries.

### PURCHASES **INSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

**Expenditure in an average month**

**Expenditure in the last 12 months**

**14. Restaurants, cafes, bars, take-away**

**15. Canteens** at workplace

### PURCHASES **OUTSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

**Amount in the last 12 months**

**Country**

**Country**

# Passenger transport

## Plane Tickets & Holidays Specific Guidelines

Plane tickets to another country purchased from within your country of residence should be recorded in Question 20 (planes), while a package holiday purchased from travel agencies or online within your country of residence which combines flights with hotels and other costs should be recorded in Question 71 (package holidays). Additional plane tickets purchased during your visit in the other country would be 'out-of-area' expenditure.

### PURCHASES INSIDE THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

### PURCHASES OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

Amount in the last 12 months

**Expenditure in an average month**

**Expenditure in the last 12 months**

**Country**

**Country**

**16. Local public transport** (metro, bus, tram, suburban trains, public bicycle, scooter sharing)





**17. Taxi**





**18. Trains** (excluding suburban trains)





**19. Coaches**





**20. Planes** (only plane tickets purchased inside the country)

**21. Ferries**

**22. Combined passenger transport** by two or more means of transport e.g. 'fly and drive', etc.

**23. Other purchased transport services** (cable car, removal and storage services, left luggage, etc.)

# Private transport

## Cars Specific Guidelines

We are looking for the **net expenditure** on vehicles. Therefore, if you have purchased car(s), new or second-hand, over the **last 5 years:**

- Record in box 24a the **actual price you paid for all cars** over that period (exclude loan interest) if you purchased any vehicle on credit.
- Record in box 24b the sale price of the car(s) you sold over the same period.

### PURCHASES INSIDE THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

### PURCHASES OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

Country

Country

24a. Price paid for all cars purchased **during the past 5 years**

24b. Sales price for all cars sold **during the past 5 years**

25. Motorcycles, scooters and bicycles purchased **during the last 12 months**

**Other expenses on private transport**

**PURCHASES INSIDE THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE**

**PURCHASES OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE**

**Amount in the last 12 months**

**Expenditure in an average month**

**Expenditure in the last 12 months**

**Country**

**Country**

**26. Tyres, spare parts, accessories and articles for cleaning**

**27. Fuel**

**28. Maintenance and repair of personal transport equipment** (cars, motorcycles, etc.)

**29. Rent/hire of vehicles, car leasing, driving school, tolls and public parking**

**Individual expenditure for main (and other) dwelling(s)**

PURCHASES **INSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

PURCHASES **OUTSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

**Amount in the last 12 months**

**Expenditure in an average month**

**Expenditure in the last 12 months**

**Country**

**Country**

**30. Major repairs and refurbishments**





**31. Products and services for minor repairs and maintenance** (paint, wood oil for garden furniture, cement, etc.)





**32. Home alarm** (installation, maintenance and surveillance fees)

**Furniture, furnishings and household goods**

**PURCHASES INSIDE THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE**

**PURCHASES OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE**

**Amount in the last 12 months**

**Expenditure in an average month**

**Expenditure in the last 12 months**

**Country**

**Country**

**33. Furniture and furnishings** (bed, tables, lighting equipment, interior decorating, etc.)





**34. Carpets and other floor covering**





**35. Household textiles** (curtain material, pillows, futons, blankets, towels, etc.)





**36. Glassware, tableware, household utensils**





**37. Non-durable household products** (detergents, cleaning products, etc.)



**Electrical and electronic equipment**

PURCHASES **INSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

PURCHASES **OUTSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

Amount in the last 12 months

	<b>Expenditure in an average month</b>	<b>Expenditure in the last 12 months</b>	<b>Country</b>	<b>Country</b>
<b>38. Major household appliances including heating/cooling appliances</b> (refrigerators, washing machines, space heaters, water boiler, etc.)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>39. Small electric household appliances</b> (coffee mills, fans, kettles, etc.)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>40. Audiovisual equipment</b> (TV, docking station, turntable, headphones, etc.)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>41. Photographic and cinematographic equipment</b> (still cameras, camcorders, film projectors, etc.)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>42. Information processing equipment</b> (computer, printer, tablet, etc.)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>43. Telephones, smartphones</b>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

## Leisure, sports, recreation, culture

	<u>PURCHASES <b>INSIDE</b> THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE</u>		<u>PURCHASES <b>OUTSIDE</b> THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE</u>	
	Expenditure in an average month	Expenditure in the last 12 months	Country	Country
<b>44. Cinema, theatre, concerts, shows, museum, zoo</b>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>45. Recreation and sporting activities</b> (sports clubs, sporting events, sport and dance lessons, etc.)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>46. Recording and streaming media</b> (Spotify, Deezer, Apple Music, subscriptions - DVD, CD, video, CD-roms, films, etc. used for recording or data storage)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>47. Photographic services</b> (film development, enlarging, wedding photography, etc.)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>48. Musical instruments</b>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>49. Durable goods for indoor and outdoor recreation</b> (camper vans, boats, horses & related equipment, table tennis tables, etc.)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>50. Equipment for sport, camping and open-air recreation</b> (balls, nets, rackets, skis, fishing rods, tents, sleeping bags, etc.)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>51. Tools and equipment for house and garden</b> (electric drills, shovels, door fittings, small electric accessories, etc.)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

**52. Toys, games, video games, consoles**

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**53. Gardens, flowers, plants**

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**54. Pets and related products and services**

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# Clothing and footwear

PURCHASES **INSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

PURCHASES **OUTSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

Amount in the last 12 months

**Expenditure in an average month**

**Expenditure in the last 12 months**

**Country**

**Country**

**55. Men's coats & jackets**





**56. Other men's clothing** (trousers, shirts, etc.)





**57. Women's coats & jackets**





**58. Other women's clothing** (trousers, shirts, etc.)





**59. Boy's and girl's clothing** (including baby wear)





**60. Clothing accessories** (gloves, ties, scarves, hats, belts, etc.)





**61. Footwear for men, women and children**

## Personal care and miscellaneous goods

### PURCHASES **INSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

### PURCHASES **OUTSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

Amount in the last 12 months

**Expenditure in an average month**

**Expenditure in the last 12 months**

**Country**

**Country**

**62. Hairdressing, beauty care for men and women** (manicure, waxing, solarium, sauna, etc.)





**63. Electric appliances** (electric razors, hairdryers, etc.)





**64. Cosmetics** (cream, make-up, etc.)





**65. Other goods for personal care** (soap, tooth-paste, perfumes, shampoo, etc.)





**66. Jewellery, clocks and watches**





**67. Travel goods** (suitcases, handbags, travel goods, pram/stroller, etc.)

# Books, Newspapers, Magazines

## PURCHASES **INSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

## PURCHASES **OUTSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

Amount in the last 12 months

**Expenditure in an average month    Expenditure in the last 12 months**

**Country**

**Country**

**68. Books / e-book subscriptions** (paper books, e-books, audio books, etc.)

**69. Newspapers, magazines, subscriptions**

**70. Miscellaneous printed materials and stationery**

## Holiday services

### Plane Tickets & Holidays Specific Guidelines

Air tickets purchased in your country of residence should be recorded in Question 20 (planes), while a package holiday purchased from travel agencies or online within your country of residence should be recorded in Question 71 (package holidays).

A hotel bill paid in a foreign country should be recorded under "Purchases OUTSIDE the country of residence". Please indicate the country or countries, and the total amount of these expenses converted to the currency of your country of residence, when applicable.

#### PURCHASES INSIDE THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

#### PURCHASES OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

Amount in the last 12 months

**Expenditure in an average month    Expenditure in the last 12 months**

**Country**

**Country**

**71. Package holidays** (package holiday purchased at travel agencies or online)





**72. Hotels, motels, camping, holiday rental**

## Domestic services, dry cleaning and laundry

### PURCHASES **INSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

**Expenditure in an average month**

**Expenditure in the last 12 months**

**73. Domestic services** (cleaner, gardener, baby-sitter, etc.)

**74. Dry cleaning and laundry**

### PURCHASES **OUTSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

**Amount in the last 12 months**

**Country**

**Country**



# Repairs

## PURCHASES **INSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

## PURCHASES **OUTSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

Amount in the last 12 months

Expenditure in an average month    Expenditure in the last 12 months

Country

Country

75. Repair of furniture, furnishings and carpets

76. Repair of household appliances and electronic equipment

77. Maintenance or repair of musical instruments and recreation durables

78. Shoe repairs

79. Clothing repairs

## Insurance and other services

PURCHASES **INSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

PURCHASES **OUTSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

Amount in the last 12 months

	<b>Expenditure in an average month</b>	<b>Expenditure in the last 12 months</b>	<b>Country</b>	<b>Country</b>
<b>80. Vehicle insurance</b>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>81. House/flat insurance</b>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>82. Health and accident insurance</b> (complementary basic medical insurance)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>83. Postal services, stamps, parcels</b>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>84. Financial &amp; other services</b> (bank charges, money transfer fees, expenditure on passports, fees for legal services, etc.)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

## Section 4: Education and Health

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### Specific Guidelines

This section concerns your education and health expenses. Please input your total expenditures, before reimbursements, as well as any reimbursements by the employer, in either the last 12 months or on average monthly basis.

# Education & Training

## PURCHASES **INSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

## PURCHASES **OUTSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

Amount in the last 12 months

### 85. Primary, Secondary, Tertiary education (before reimbursements)

Expenditure in an average month    Expenditure in the last 12 months

Country

Country

a. Tuition and enrolment fees





b. Board, lodging and school meals





c. Books and supplies





d. Group transportation





e. **TOTAL OF ABOVE** if breakdown not known





86. Crèche, playschool, kindergarten, day care (Tuition and all other costs)





87. Music and language courses

## Reimbursement - Important Guidelines

Please note that it is important to record any reimbursement that you receive from your employer related to education in questions 85, 86 and 87 above.

This will allow us to establish the average education costs ultimately sustained by staff (i.e. the overall education expenses minus any reimbursements that you may have received).

88 a. Do you receive an education allowance for studies from your Organisation?

Yes  No

EDUCATION REIMBURSEMENT FOR STUDIES **INSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

Monthly education allowance received

Total amount of reimbursement over the last 12 months

88 b. Education allowance received

EDUCATION REIMBURSEMENT FOR STUDIES **OUTSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

Amount in the last 12 months

Country

Country

# Health Expenses

PURCHASES **INSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

PURCHASES **OUTSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

Amount in the last 12 months

Expenditure in an average month

Expenditure in the last 12 months

Country

Country

**89. Medical, dental, optical, paramedical services, hospital and out-patient**

Expenditure

Reimbursement

**90. Prescription and non-prescription drugs and vitamins**

Expenditure

Reimbursement

**91. Therapeutic appliances and equipment, other medical supplies**

Expenditure

Reimbursement

## Section 5: Other Expenses

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This section concerns any expenses for which you have not found an appropriate box elsewhere in the questionnaire. In that case, please enter a short description of the type of expenditure below, together with the relevant amount.

PURCHASES **INSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

**Expenditure in an average month**

**Expenditure in the last 12 months**

**Expense 1**

<input type="text"/>	Amount	<input type="text"/>
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Amount	<input type="text"/>
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**Expense 2**

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Amount	<input type="text"/>
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**Expense 3**

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Amount	<input type="text"/>
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**Expense 4**

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Amount	<input type="text"/>
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**Expense 5**

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Amount	<input type="text"/>
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**Expense 6**

<input type="text"/>	Amount	<input type="text"/>
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Amount	<input type="text"/>
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PURCHASES **OUTSIDE** THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

**Expenditure in the last 12 months**

<b>Country</b>	<b>Amount</b>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

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**Expense 7**

Amount

Amount

**Country**

Amount

**Expense 8**

Amount

Amount

**Country**

Amount

**Expense 9**

Amount

Amount

**Country**

Amount

# Comments

## Specific Guidelines

Please use this space to record your comments. Any additional information or comments on the questionnaire or its contents, as well as your comments on general availability of products and other aspects of shopping in your country of residence, will be helpful.

Please do not include any personal identifying information in the open comment section.

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**Thank you very much for your participation!**

**An overview of all your expenditures**

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This is a feedback for you - only available in the online version.

It shows **annual amounts**, based on the figures you entered about your spending in the different parts of the questionnaire.

**\*Not to fill-in\***

Section	Amount in area	% of total	Amount out of area	% of total	Total in and out of area	% of total
<b>1. Rent / loan</b>						
<b>2. Dwelling-related regular bills</b>						
<b>3. Household expenses</b>						
Food and non-alcoholic beverages						
Alcoholic beverages and Tobacco						
Meals purchased outside of household						
Passenger transport						
Private transport, other than cars (see below)						
Other expenses on private transport						
Individual expenditure for main (and other) dwelling(s): Major repairs and renovations; Furniture, furnishings and other household goods; Electrical and electronic equipment						
Leisure, sports, recreation, culture						
Clothing and footwear						

Personal care and miscellaneous goods						
Books, Newspapers, Magazines						
Holiday services						
Domestic services, dry cleaning and laundry						
Repairs						
Insurance and other services						
<b>4. Health and education</b>						
Education & Training						
Health Expenses						
<b>5. Other expenses</b>						
<b>TOTAL</b>						

## Private transport (cars)

	Amount in area	Amount out of area
Price paid for all cars purchased during the past 5 years	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Sales price for all cars sold during the past 5 years	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

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