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The EuMin Dataset

The EuMin database was developed in the research project „Social assistance in Europe. Indicators of Minimum Income Security Schemes“ that was funded by the Hans-Böckler-Stiftung (HBS) and the Mannheimer Zentrum für Europäische Sozialforschung (MZES). The aim of the project was to compare minimum income protection (MIP) in 17 EU-countries and to analyze their development over 15 years from 1992 until the beginning of the economic and financial crisis in 2008. The project's results were published in a book entitled “The last safety net. A handbook of minimum income protection in Europe” (authors: Bahle/Hubl/Pfeifer; published by Policy Press 2011).

Minimum income schemes are means-tested benefit programs which guarantee a minimum income for the whole population or for specific population groups as a social right. This social right is one of last resort: Minimum income protection is provided if higher-tier social benefits or other income sources are not available to the claimant. Over the period under study (1992-2008) most of the countries had more than one such scheme in place. For each of these schemes data were collected for 1992, 1995, and 1998, and between 2000 and 2008 for each year. The data sources that were used include mostly national statistics published by various governmental and administrative agencies and by statistical offices. For the qualitative data also national sources including publications by governments, administrative reports, and legislation were used, complemented by international data provided by EU-MISSOC.

The database consists of 4 parts. The first part provides information on institutional regulations in the main minimum income scheme in each country (one scheme per country). The second part includes income simulation models for different family types based on existing institutional regulations of the main scheme in each country. The data for these simulation models were taken from two available international sources, the OECD data on Benefits and Wages (OECD 2001-2009) and the SAMIP data collected by Kenneth Nelson at SOFI (Nelson 2010). The third part of the database provides quantitative data on the total number of recipients and beneficiaries (i.e., the number of claimants and of people living on benefits) as well as total spending on minimum income protection. Data are provided first at the national (aggregate) level including all schemes in a country, second at the level of individual schemes. The data on individual schemes are usually taken from administrative statistics. Finally, the fourth part of the database provides comparative indicators of minimum income protection including benefit rates for different family types (for the main scheme in each country only) compared with relative poverty lines, average wages and average national income. Furthermore, quantitative indicators are provided on benefit receipt within different population groups and expenditure as part of total social expenditure and the GDP.

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Variable Descriptions and Comments

A. Case Selection

nat: Country

Values:

AT – Austria
BE – Belgium
CZ – Czech Republik
DE – Germany
DK – Denmark
ES – Spain
FI – Finland
FR – France
HU – Hungary
IE – Ireland
NL – Netherlands
PL – Poland
PT – Portugal
SE – Sweden
SK – Slovakia
UK – United Kingdom

year: Year

Values:

1992

1995

1998

2000

2001

2002

2003

2004

2005

2006

2007

2008

2009

B. Institutional information on the main scheme

p_name: Name of program

Values:

Name in national language

9999 not available

The first part of the database refers to the institutional organization of the countries' main schemes of MIP. This limitation was necessary because the level of fragmentation of MIP varied strongly between countries. The number of MIP schemes ranges from only two in Austria and Denmark to as many as 13 in Ireland. In many cases, it is neither useful nor feasible to quantify all institutional nuances and gradations of all the schemes that exist in one country. Instead, the most relevant scheme was selected along two criteria: 1) a significant weight within the overall MIP system in terms of expenditure and beneficiaries and 2) a central role in social protection for broad segments of the population. Therefore, it is possible that although the financial benefit for disabled people and the degree of recipients in a country may top the other national systems (that was the case in Belgium 2007), nevertheless the priority was given to the more general benefit scheme for the working-age population. Even a change concerning the state of a system is possible. The German "Sozialhilfe" is an example for this case. After the introduction/adaption of the "Grundsicherung für Arbeitsuchende" in 2005, the "Sozialhilfe" lost her state being the most important MIP scheme in Germany.

Main schemes in the dataset:

AT: Sozialhilfe der Länder

BE: Revenu d'integration sociale / Leefloon (before 2003: Minimum de moyens d'existence / bestaansminimum)

CZ: Hmotná nouze (before 2007: Sociální potřebnost)

DE: Grundsicherung für Arbeitsuchende (before 2005: Sozialhilfe)

DK: Kontanthjælp (before 2005: Social Bistand)

ES: As an institutional example of the regional 'rentas mínimas': Renta mínima de inserción de la Comunidad de Madrid (before 2002: Ingreso Madrileño de Integración)

FI: Toimeentulotuki

FR: Revenu minimum d'insertion

HU: Rendszeres szociális segély (RSZS)

IE: Supplementary welfare allowance
NL: Algemene bijstand (before 1996: Sociale bijstand)
PL: Zasilek Okresowy
PT: Rendimento social de inserção (before 2004: Rendimento Minimo Garantido)
SE: Ekonomiskt bistånd (before 2002: Social bidrag)
SK: Pomoc v hmotnej núdzi (1998-2003: Sociálna pomoc; before 1998: Sociálna starostlivosť)
UK: Income support

int_year: Year of introduction

Values:

Year

9999 not available

p_typ: Program type

Values:

1 for active population

2 for non-active population

3 not differentiated

9999 not available

This variable distinguishes between broad categories of MIP's target groups. Some types of benefits are predominantly for persons who are (or who are expected to be) economically active, e.g. the long-term unemployed (category 1). Other benefits can only be claimed by non-active population groups, such as pensioners or disabled persons (category 2). In most countries there are also general MIP programmes which cover the whole population (category 3).

en*: Target groups

The variables referring to target groups indicate which groups are included in a MIP programme. The value "0" is chosen if the respective group is explicitly excluded from the benefit, the value "1" denotes that the respective group is included, even if other schemes for this group may exist in parallel in a country.

en_alo: Inclusion of unemployed**Values:**

0 no

1 yes

9999 not available

en_dis: Inclusion of people with disabilities**Values:**

0 no

1 yes

9999 not available

en_old: Inclusion of pensioners**Values:**

0 no

1 yes

9999 not available

en_you: Inclusion of students**Values:**

0 no

1 yes

9999 not available

en_lpa: Inclusion of lone parents

Values:

0 no

1 yes

9999 not available

cent_lev: Centralization**Values:**

- 1 no central legislation
- 2 central framework law
- 3 central regulation of entitlement and benefit levels
- 9999 not available

This variable differentiates MIP programmes according to their degree of centralized regulation. Some schemes are institutionalized at the regional or even local level only (such as the general social assistance schemes in Spain). In other schemes a central framework law exists, but most regulation is the responsibility of the regional or local governments (such as the Ekonomiskt Bistånd, and even more so the precursor Social Bidrag in Sweden). In most schemes, however, at least entitlement conditions and the level of benefits are regulated at the central level, even if their administration is local.

adm_name: Name of administration unit**Values:**

- Name in national language
- 9999 not available

adm_loc: Local administration**Values:**

- 1 municipal
- 2 city, county
- 3 higher regional level
- 9999 not available

This variable specifies the regional level at which MIP schemes are administered, irrespective of the type of organization which is described below in variable org_typ. Some schemes are administered at the very local (municipal) level and, therefore, “close” to clients (often general social assistance schemes which need detailed means testing) while others are administered at higher levels, such as most categorical schemes for the elderly or disabled which can be handled in a more formalized way.

org_typ: Organizational form**Values:**

- 1 local agency
- 2 regional agency
- 3 central state agency
- 4 other (e.g. social insurance)
- 9999 not available

“Organizational form” refers to the formal responsibility for the administration of MIP schemes. Some programmes are administered by local agencies such as municipal councils or local social welfare agencies while in other cases, regional or central state agencies are represented by administrative offices at the local level.

f_state: Public financing**Values:**

- 1 central state only
- 2 mainly central state
- 3 mixed
- 4 mainly regional or local
- 5 only regional or local
- 9999 not available

en_citiz: Citizenship**Values:**

Required duration of residence in country

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

en_mina: Minimum age**Values:**

Minimum age (years)

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

en_maxa: Maximum age**Values:**

Maximum age (years)

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

ac_form: Formal application**Values:**

0 no

1 yes

9999 not available

The Variable ac_form shows whether a formal application is necessary for a client to receive a benefit. In some MIP schemes such an application is required, in others benefits can be granted if the benefit agency gets notice of the need (e.g. in the case of the German “Sozialhilfe”).

ac_s*: Standardization

The ac_s*-variables indicate whether entitlement conditions and benefit rates are standardized across the national territory. Standardization means that conditions for similar cases are similar irrespective of locality. No standardization therefore means that a lot of discretion is possible on the side of benefit agencies.

ac_s_ent: Standardization of entitlements**Values:**

0 no
1 yes
9999 not available

ac_s_rat: Standardization of benefit levels**Values:**

0 no
1 yes
9999 not available

ac_right: Formal rights**Values:**

1 no legal entitlement
2 only general rights
3 individual social rights
4 individual social right and legal procedures
9999 not available

The variable ac_right measures the degree of legal entitlements to MIP. Some benefits are mainly granted on a voluntary basis (value "1"), others rely on a general right that usually is not enforceable by claimants ("2"). In other schemes, individual social rights are clearly defined ("3"), and some have specialized procedures in order to enforce benefit claims ("4").

hh_unit: Benefit unit

Values:

- 1 individual person
- 2 household
- 3 other group
- 9999 not available

The benefit unit refers to the person or group of persons to whom benefits are granted. If MIP is granted to households, the benefit is usually paid to the head of the household and exact beneficiary numbers (i.e., the total number of dependent persons) are often not available. This information is generally available in those cases where benefits are granted on an individual basis. The benefit unit does not necessarily refer to the means test: Even if MIP is granted to individuals, the income of household members might still influence the actual benefit level.

fam_obli: Family obligations

Values:

- 1 no maintenance obligations
- 2 parents for their children
- 3 + children for their parents
- 4 + grandparents for their grandchildren
- 5 + grandchildren for their grandparents
- 6 + other relatives
- 9999 not available

This variable shows whether and how far MIP schemes are built on legal maintenance regulations that specify how family members are to support each other in cases of need. The variable refers to family members who do not share a household. Some MIP schemes do not have (or do not enforce) any legal maintenance requirements for family members living outside the household (value "1") while in most cases parents are obliged to provide for their (even adult) children, sometimes also vice versa. In most present MIP schemes, grandparents, grandchildren and other (side) relatives are not required to support MIP claimants. Especially in Southern Europe, however, such obligations do still apply.

rs_socb*: Social transfer disregards

Disregards may apply to different types of social benefit that are sometimes not taken into consideration when assessing the means test in MIP schemes. The value “0” indicates that there are no disregards, i.e. that these benefits are usually completely deducted from the amount of the MIP benefit. In case of value “1” the benefits are partly or completely paid in addition to the MIP benefit claim.

rs_socbf: Transfer disregards (family)**Values:**

0 no

1 yes

9999 not available

rs_socbd: Transfer disregards (disability)**Values:**

0 no

1 yes

9999 not available

rs_socbp: Transfer disregards (old age)**Values:**

0 no

1 yes

9999 not available

rs_socbo: Transfer disregards (other)**Values:**

0 no

1 yes

9999 not available

rspr*: Assets disregards (types)

Most MIP claims are not only tested against income, but also against property. Certain types of assets may, however, be partly or fully spared from the means test. This is often the case for (private) old-age pension savings and owner-occupied housing property. The variables in this section show whether there are such special conditions in MIP schemes.

rspr_old: Assets disregards (old age)**Values:**

0 no
1 yes
8888 not applicable
9999 not available

rspr_hou: Assets disregards (housing)**Values:**

0 no
1 yes
9999 not available

rspr_liq: Assets disregards (others)**Values:**

0 no
1 yes
9999 not available

r_liq_cu: Assets disregard (amount)**Values:**

Maximum allowed liquid assets (in €)

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

rs_work: Earnings disregards**Values:**

1 none

2 low (< 25% of earnings)

3 high (> 25% of earnings)

4 maximum amount

9999 not available

In most present MIP schemes for the active population, earnings disregards are granted in order to pay a premium on work income. This is done by leaving a certain percentage of earnings (up to a plafond) or a generally fixed amount out of consideration when calculating claimants' own means of subsistence.

rs_amoun: Earnings disregards (amount)**Values:**

in € (if rs_work = 4; otherwise: 8888)

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

wdu*: Exemptions from activation

The right to MIP benefits is often tied to the condition of actively searching for paid work and/or participate in programmes that aim at facilitating labour market entry. However, several groups are usually excluded from these requirements. Such exemptions are particularly relevant for disabled and older persons, but also for single parents. In the latter case, most countries and systems have recently switched to a more “demanding” policy which also requires lone parents to seek work, but in most cases they are still exempted if children are very young.

wdu_dis: Exemptions for the disabled**Values:**

0 no

1 yes

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

wdu_old: Exemptions for the elderly (60+)**Values:**

0 no

1 yes

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

wdu_lon: Exemptions for single parents**Values:**

0 no

1 yes

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

wdu_age: Maximum age of child

Values:

maximum age of children for wdu_lon=1, otherwise 8888 or 9999

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

du*: Activation measures

MIP schemes for the working age population often have a strong activation component in their legal regulations. The practice varies widely, however. The variables referring to activation measures try to capture these differences. Requirements range from active search for work and registration at labour offices to the participation in qualification or public work programmes. The value 1 is only given if the activation measures are mandatory, i.e. that non-compliance leads to sanctions. The summary index variable finally measures the overall degree of activation requirements.

du_activ: Active job search**Values:**

0 no

1 yes

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

du_unem: Register as unemployed**Values:**

0 no

1 yes

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

du_pqual: Qualification measures**Values:**

0 no

1 yes

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

du_pwork: Public work measures**Values:**

0 no
1 yes
8888 not applicable
9999 not available

act_int: Activation intensity index**Values:**

Sum of activation measures du_* (0-4)
8888 not applicable
9999 not available

act_uni: Activation standards**Values:**

1 only punctual measures
2 general and unspecific measures
3 differentiated measures
8888 not applicable
9999 not available

sanc_lev: Activation sanctions**Values:**

1 none
2 reduction in benefit levels
3 reduction in benefit duration
4 reduction in benefit level and duration
5 up to benefit withdrawal
8888 not applicable
9999 not available

indx_ben: Indexation**Values:**

- 0 no regular upgrading
- 1 linked to consumption level
- 2 linked to price levels
- 3 linked to wage levels
- 4 linked to minimum wage
- 5 linked to pension level
- 6 linked to other variable
- 9999 not available

In many countries, MIP benefit levels are increased regularly (for example annually or bi-annually). Very often, the amount of this increase is linked to the development of other economic or social indices, e.g. prices or minimum wages. In some countries, the amount of MIP benefits is based on regular, representative consumer surveys. In the last case the value of the variable is "6".

tax_ben: Taxation (including social contributions)**Values:**

- 0 no
- 1 yes
- 9999 not available

MIP benefits may be subject to taxation and / or social insurance contributions. In this case, the officially published MIP amounts are usually gross (i.e. before taxation), in other cases they are net. This fact is important to know for an adequate cross-national comparison of the benefit levels, which are given in the variables that follow.

br*: Basic amounts

Basic amounts (including possible additional family benefits, excluding housing supplements) in Euro.

br_1a: Basic amount single**Values:**

basic amount in €

9999 not available

br_2a: Basic amount couple**Values:**

basic amount in €

9999 not available

br_2a2c: Basic amount couple + 2 children**Values:**

basic amount in €

9999 not available

br_1a2c: Basic amount single paren + 2 children**Values:**

basic amount in €

9999 not available

cb_add: Additional child benefits

Values:

0 no
1 yes
8888 not applicable
9999 not available

hb_add: Additional housing benefits

Values:

0 no
1 yes
9999 not available

pen_ben: Additional pension contribution

Values:

0 no
1 yes
9999 not available

heal_ben: Additional health care payments

Values:

0 no
1 yes
9999 not available

icoe*: OECD income models including child benefits

Benefit levels according to OECD Benefits and Wages (OECD 2010), including child benefits if applicable.

icoe_1a: OECD income model, single**Values:**

available income in €

9999 not available

icoe_2a: OECD income model, couple**Values:**

available income in €

9999 not available

icoe_2a2c: OECD income model, incl. child benefits, couple + 2 children**Values:**

available income in €

9999 not available

icoe_1a2c: OECD income model, incl. child benefits, single parent + 2 children**Values:**

available income in €

9999 not available

ichoe*: OECD income models including child and housing benefits

Benefit levels according to OECD Benefits and Wages (OECD 2010), including housing and, if applicable, child benefits.

ichoe_1a: OECD income model, incl. housing benefits, single**Values:**

available income in €

9999 not available

ichoe_2a: OECD income model, incl. housing benefits, couple**Values:**

available income in €

9999 not available

ichoe_2a2c: OECD income model, incl. housing and child benefits, couple + 2 children**Values:**

available income in €

9999 not available

ichoe_1a2c: OECD income model, incl. housing and child benefits, single parent + 2 children**Values:**

available income in €

9999 not available

icn*: SaMip income models including child benefits

Benefit levels according to SaMip (Nelson 2010), including child benefits if applicable.

icn_1a: SaMip income model, single**Values:**

available income in €

9999 not available

icn_2a2c: SaMip income model, incl. child benefits, couple + 2 children**Values:**

available income in €

9999 not available

icn_1a2c: SaMip income model, incl. child benefits, single parent + 2 children**Values:**

available income in €

9999 not available

ichn*: SaMip income models including child and housing benefits

Benefit levels according to SaMip (Nelson 2010), including housing and, if applicable child benefits.

ichn_1a: SaMip income model, incl. housing benefits, single**Values:**

available income in €

9999 not available

ichn_2a2c: SaMip income model, incl. housing and child benefits, couple + 2 children**Values:**

available income in €

9999 not available

ichn_1a2c: SaMip income model, incl. housing and child benefits, single parent + 2 children**Values:**

available income in €

9999 not available

C. Quantitative variables

Aggregate level

The variables referring to the totals of MIP recipients ('rec') and beneficiaries ('ben') and spending ('spen') are in most cases calculated by the authors of the database rather than being taken from published statistical sources. There are several reasons for this. First, in many countries several MIP schemes exist which are poorly integrated administratively and statistically. Therefore, no comprehensive MIP statistics are available and published material mainly refers to individual MIP schemes. In order to get national totals for cross-national comparative purposes, the authors had to gather the data from different administrative sources. In some cases, estimates needed to be made in order to make the data comparable.

The sum of recipients represents the aggregate number of those individuals who are entitled to the benefit. The term "beneficiaries" refers to the number of all persons who live in a household which depends on MIP benefits, i.e. (individual entitled) recipients plus their dependent household- or family members. Therefore, the sum of beneficiaries is significantly higher than the number of recipients. In some cases (e.g. Belgium and Spain) only recipient data was available from official resources and beneficiary numbers had to be estimated by drawing on information on average household size of the respective benefit claimants of income groups. Another reason for the need for estimates (indicated by variables with the ending _e) is that the available data were based on varying statistical concepts (representing, for example, annual averages, numbers at specific dates or cumulated data over the year). If the number of recipients, for example, was only available in the form of annual cumulative data, the average number of recipients was approximated by factoring in average entitlement periods. In those cases where data on individual systems were not available (either missing entirely or for certain years), the aggregates do not reflect the totals for all the schemes that do exist in a country. The variables with the suffix _N therefore indicate the number of schemes on which the variables on the aggregate level are based. Such N-Variables also complement the comparative indicators further below.

rec: Sum of recipients

Values:

Number of recipients in MIP schemes

9999 not available

rec_e: Sum of recipients - estimate

Values:

0 no

1 yes

8888 not applicable

rec_N: Sum of recipients - included systems

Values:

N

8888 not applicable

ben: Sum of beneficiaries

Values:

Number of beneficiaries in MIP schemes

9999 not available

ben_e: Sum of beneficiaries - estimate

Values:

0 no

1 yes

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

ben_N: Sum of beneficiaries - included systems

Values:

N

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

spen: Sum of spending

Values:

Spending for MIP schemes in m. €

9999 not available

spen_e: Sum of spending - estimate

Values:

0 no

1 yes

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

spen_N: Sum of spending - included systems

Values:

N

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

System level

typ_sys*: Classification of systems [1-13]

The typ_sys-variables indicate which type of benefit the scheme-specific variables on recipients, beneficiaries and spending refer to. The variable rec_sys2 for Denmark, for example, gives information on the number of recipients that are on a benefit for refugees (value 5). The names of the benefit programmes that have been included in the database are given on the following pages, underneath the description of the relevant typ_sys-variable.

typ_sys1: Classification of system 1

Values:

- 1 general
- 2 working persons
- 3 unemployed and job seekers
- 4 single parents
- 5 refugees
- 6 older unemployed people
- 7 disability – solidarity
- 8 disability – insurance
- 9 elderly – solidarity
- 10 elderly - insurance
- 11 old-age and inability to work
- 12 special- active population
- 13 special- inactive population
- 14 others
- 8888 not applicable
- 9999 not available

Country	Name of system
AT	Sozialhilfe der Länder
BE	Minimex / Revenu d'integration sociale
CZ	Sociální potřebnost / Hmotná nouze
DE	Sozialhilfe
DK	Kontanthjaelp
ES	Rentas mínimas de inserción
FI	Toimeentulotuki
FR	Revenu minimum d'insertion / Revenu de solidarité active
HU	Rendszeres szociális segély / Aktív korúak ellátása
IE	Supplementary welfare allowance
NL	Sociale Bijstand (ABW), Algemene Bijstand (Abw/WWB)
PL	Zasiłek okresowy
PT	Rendimento mínimo garantido / Rendimento social de inserção com requerimento
SE	Ekonomiskt Bistand (incl. Introduktionsers.)
SK	Sociálna starostlivosť / Sociálna pomoc / Pomoc v hmotnej núdzi
UK	Income Support

typ_sys2: Classification of system 2

Values:

- 1 general
- 2 working persons
- 3 unemployed and job seekers
- 4 single parents
- 5 refugees
- 6 older unemployed people
- 7 disability – solidarity
- 8 disability – insurance
- 9 elderly – solidarity
- 10 elderly-insurance
- 11 old-age and inability to work
- 12 special- active population
- 13 special- inactive population
- 14 others
- 8888 not applicable
- 9999 not available

Country Name of system

AT	Ausgleichszulage in der Pensionsversicherung
BE	Aide financière
DE	Grundsicherung für Arbeitsuchende
DK	Kontanthjælp til flygtninge
ES	Pensiones no contributivas de jubilación
FI	Maahanmuuttajan erityistuki
FR	Allocation de solidarité spécifique
HU	Munkanélküliek jövedelempótló támogatása
IE	Family income support
NL	Rijksgroepsregeling voor werkloze werknemers
PL	Zasiłek staly / Zasiłek staly-compensatory
PT	Pensão velhice

SE	Äldreförsörjningsstöd
UK	Jobseekers' allowance

typ_sys3: Classification of system 3

Values:

- 1 general
- 2 working persons
- 3 unemployed and job seekers
- 4 single parents
- 5 refugees
- 6 older unemployed people
- 7 disability – solidarity
- 8 disability – insurance
- 9 elderly – solidarity
- 10 elderly-insurance
- 11 old-age and inability to work
- 12 special- active population
- 13 special- inactive population
- 14 others
- 8888 not applicable
- 9999 not available

Country Name of system

AT	Kriegsopferfürsorge, Heeresfürsorge und Opferfürsorge
BE	Revenu garanti aux personnes âgées / Garantie de revenus aux personnes âgées
DE	Asylbewerberregelungen
DK	Introduktionsydelse
ES	Pensiones no contributivas de invalidez
FR	Allocation de parent isolé
HU	Pályakezdők munkanélküli segélye
IE	Jobseekers' allowance
NL	Inkomensvoorziening oudere en gedeeltelijk arbeidsongeschikte werkloze werknemers / Inkomensvoorziening oudere en gedeeltelijk arbeidsongeschikte gewezen zelfstandigen
PT	Pensão invalidez
UK	Asylum support

typ_sys4: Classification of system 4

Values:

- 1 general
- 2 working persons
- 3 unemployed and job seekers
- 4 single parents
- 5 refugees
- 6 older unemployed people
- 7 disability – solidarity
- 8 disability – insurance
- 9 elderly – solidarity
- 10 elderly-insurance
- 11 old-age and inability to work
- 12 special- active population
- 13 special- inactive population
- 14 others
- 8888 not applicable
- 9999 not available

Country Name of system

BE	Allocation de remplacement de revenus
DE	Grundsicherung im Alter und bei Erwerbsminderung
DK	Starthjaelp
ES	Pensiones asistenciales de vejez
FR	Allocation d'insertion / Allocation temporaire d'attente
HU	Időskorúak járadéka
IE	One parent family payment
NL	Toeslagenwet (excl. Wajong)
PT	Pensao sobrevivencia
UK	Pension credit

typ_sys5: Classification of system 5

Values:

- 1 general
- 2 working persons
- 3 unemployed and job seekers
- 4 single parents
- 5 refugees
- 6 older unemployed people
- 7 disability – solidarity
- 8 disability – insurance
- 9 elderly – solidarity
- 10 elderly-insurance
- 11 old-age and inability to work
- 12 special- active population
- 13 special- inactive population
- 14 others
- 8888 not applicable
- 9999 not available

Country Name of system

BE	Allocation ordinaire / Allocation spéciale
DE	Kriegsopferfürsorge
DK	Kontante ydelse til asylansøgere
ES	Pensiones asistenciales de enfermedad
FR	Allocationsupplémentaire d'invalidité
HU	Házastársi pótlék
IE	Pre-retirement allowance
NL	Wet arbeidsongeschiktheidsvoorziening jonggehandicapten
PT	Complemento solidario para idosos (CSI)

typ_sys6: Classification of system 6

Values:

- 1 general
- 2 working persons
- 3 unemployed and job seekers
- 4 single parents
- 5 refugees
- 6 older unemployed people
- 7 disability – solidarity
- 8 disability – insurance
- 9 elderly – solidarity
- 10 elderly-insurance
- 11 old-age and inability to work
- 12 special- active population
- 13 special- inactive population
- 14 others
- 8888 not applicable
- 9999 not available

Country Name of system

ES	Subsidio de garantía de ingresos mínimos
FR	Allocation aux adultes handicapés
IE	Disability allowance
NL	Wet inkomensvoorziening kunstenaars / Wet werk en inkomen kunstenaars

typ_sys7: Classification of system 7

Values:

- 1 general
- 2 working persons
- 3 unemployed and job seekers
- 4 single parents
- 5 refugees
- 6 older unemployed people
- 7 disability – solidarity
- 8 disability – insurance
- 9 elderly – solidarity
- 10 elderly-insurance
- 11 old-age and inability to work
- 12 special- active population
- 13 special- inactive population
- 14 others
- 8888 not applicable
- 9999 not available

Country Name of system

- | | |
|----|---|
| ES | Complementos por mínimos |
| FR | Allocation supplémentaire vieillesse / Allocation de solidarité aux personnes âgées |
| IE | State pension |

typ_sys8: Classification of system 8

Values:

- 1 general
- 2 working persons
- 3 unemployed and job seekers
- 4 single parents
- 5 refugees
- 6 older unemployed people
- 7 disability – solidarity
- 8 disability – insurance
- 9 elderly – solidarity
- 10 elderly-insurance
- 11 old-age and inability to work
- 12 special- active population
- 13 special- inactive population
- 14 others
- 8888 not applicable
- 9999 not available

Country	Name of system
FR	Other
IE	Farm assist

typ_sys9: Classification of system 9

Values:

- 1 general
- 2 working persons
- 3 unemployed and job seekers
- 4 single parents
- 5 refugees
- 6 older unemployed people
- 7 disability – solidarity
- 8 disability – insurance
- 9 elderly – solidarity
- 10 elderly-insurance
- 11 old-age and inability to work
- 12 special- active population
- 13 special- inactive population
- 14 others
- 8888 not applicable
- 9999 not available

Country	Name of system
IE	Blind pension

typ_sys10: Classification of system 10

Values:

- 1 general
- 2 working persons
- 3 unemployed and job seekers
- 4 single parents
- 5 refugees
- 6 older unemployed people
- 7 disability – solidarity
- 8 disability – insurance
- 9 elderly – solidarity
- 10 elderly-insurance
- 11 old-age and inability to work
- 12 special- active population
- 13 special- inactive population
- 14 others
- 8888 not applicable
- 9999 not available

Country	Name of system
IE	Widow/ers pension

typ_sys11: Classification of system 11

Values:

- 1 general
- 2 working persons
- 3 unemployed and job seekers
- 4 single parents
- 5 refugees
- 6 older unemployed people
- 7 disability – solidarity
- 8 disability – insurance
- 9 elderly – solidarity
- 10 elderly-insurance
- 11 old-age and inability to work
- 12 special- active population
- 13 special- inactive population
- 14 others
- 8888 not applicable
- 9999 not available

Country	Name of system
IE	Deserted wives allowance

typ_sys12: Classification of system 12

Values:

- 1 general
- 2 working persons
- 3 unemployed and job seekers
- 4 single parents
- 5 refugees
- 6 older unemployed people
- 7 disability – solidarity
- 8 disability – insurance
- 9 elderly – solidarity
- 10 elderly-insurance
- 11 old-age and inability to work
- 12 special- active population
- 13 special- inactive population
- 14 others
- 8888 not applicable
- 9999 not available

Country Name of system

IE Prisoners' wives allowance

typ_sys13: Classification of system 13

Values:

- 1 general
- 2 working persons
- 3 unemployed and job seekers
- 4 single parents
- 5 refugees
- 6 older unemployed people
- 7 disability – solidarity
- 8 disability – insurance
- 9 elderly – solidarity
- 10 elderly-insurance
- 11 old-age and inability to work
- 12 special- active population
- 13 special- inactive population
- 14 others
- 8888 not applicable
- 9999 not available

Country	Name of system
IE	Carers' assistance

rec_sys[1-13]: Recipients system [1-13]

Values:

Recipients system 1-13

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

rec_sys[1-13]_e: Recipients system [1-13] - estimates

Values:

0 no

1 yes

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

ben_sys[1-13]: Beneficiaries system [1-13]

Values:

Beneficiaries system 1-13

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

ben_sys[1-13]_e: Beneficiaries system [1-13]- estimates

Values:

0 no

1 yes

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

spen_sys[1-13]: Spending system [1-13]

Values:

Spending system 1-13 in m.€

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

spe_sys[1-13]_e: Spending system [1-13]- estimates

Values:

0 no

1 yes

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

D. Comparative Indicators

prognum: Number of systems in country

Variables with the prefix “prognum” count the number of existing MIP schemes in a country. This number may vary from those given by variables with the suffix “N” (e.g., rec_N or bf_oldN). The N-variables count the schemes in the way they are documented in the database. They serve as a tool for comparing the quantitative aggregates or comparative indicators based on such aggregates. In some cases (e.g., sys3 in the Dutch case or sys5 in the Belgian one), the authors had to subsume some otherwise distinct programmes in the database because administrative data was not available for each scheme separately. Moreover, the value of an N-variable is dependent on whether data is available at all. This is not the case for the prognum-variables, which are institutional indicators that document the true number of individual benefit schemes in a country.

Values:

N

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

prognum_gen: Number of general systems

Values:

N

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

prognum_act: Number of activating systems

Values:

N

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

prognum_ina: Number of non-activating systems

Values:

N

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

prognum_old: Number of systems for elderly

Values:

N

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

rate_uni: Homogeneity of benefit rates

Values:

0 benefit rates in database are only relevant for main system

1 benefit rates in database are relevant for main system and other schemes

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

rate_int: Degree of benefit rate integration

Values:

Number of subsystems with similar benefit rates (N)

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

ad50*: Benefit rates relative to the 50 percent poverty line

Basic amounts, including family benefits (br*-indicators), relative to 50% of the national net median income (Eurostat 2010), adjusted for family size and composition (modified OECD equivalence scale)

ad50_1a: Percentage of 50% poverty line, single**Values:**

relative benefit level

9999 not available

ad50_2a: Percentage of 50% poverty line, couple**Values:**

relative benefit level

9999 not available

ad50_2a2c: Percentage of 50% poverty line, couple + 2 children**Values:**

relative benefit level

9999 not available

ad50_1a2c: Percentage of 50% poverty line, single parent + 2 children**Values:**

relative benefit level

9999 not available

ad60*: Benefit rates relative to the 60 percent poverty line

Basic amounts, including family benefits (br*-indicators), relative to 60% of the national net median income (Eurostat 2010), adjusted for family size and composition (modified OECD equivalence scale)

ad60_1a: Percentage of 60% poverty line, single**Values:**

relative benefit level

9999 not available

ad60_2a: Percentage of 60% poverty line, couple**Values:**

relative benefit level

9999 not available

ad60_2a2c: Percentage of 60% poverty line, couple + 2 children**Values:**

relative benefit level

9999 not available

ad60_1a2c: Percentage of 60% poverty line, single parent + 2 children**Values:**

relative benefit level

9999 not available

wag*: Benefit rates as a percentage of minimum wage

Basic amounts, including family benefits (br*-indicators), relative to the national minimum wage (Eurostat 2010)

wag_1a: Percentage of minimum wage, single**Values:**

relative benefit level

9999 not available

wag_2a: Percentage of minimum wage, couple**Values:**

relative benefit level

9999 not available

wag_2a2c: Percentage of minimum wage, couple + 2 children**Values:**

relative benefit level

9999 not available

wag1a_2c: Percentage of minimum wage, single parent + 2 children**Values:**

relative benefit level

9999 not available

cap*: Benefit rates as a percentage of GDP per capita

Basic amounts, including family benefits (br*-indicators) relative to the Gross Domestic Product per capita of population (Eurostat 2010)

cap_1a: Percentage of GDP per capita, single**Values:**

relative benefit level

9999 not available

cap_2a: Percentage of GDP per capita, couple**Values:**

relative benefit level

9999 not available

cap_2a2c: Percentage of GDP per capita, couple + 2 children**Values:**

relative benefit level

9999 not available

cap_1a2c: Percentage of GDP per capita, single parent + 2 children**Values:**

relative benefit level

9999 not available

bf*: Proportion of population receiving minimum income protection

Reference data taken from the Eurostat database (Eurostat 2010)

bf_totp: Sum of beneficiaries as percentage of population

Values:

%

9999 not available

bf_totpN: Included systems

Values:

N

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

bf_adup: Sum of recipients 20-64 as percentage of population

Values:

%

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

bf_adpN: Included systems

Values:

N

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

bf_old: Sum of recipients 65+ as percentage of population 65+

Values:

%

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

bf_oldN: Included systems

Values:

N

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

bf_unpl: Sum of recipients 15-65 as percentage of unemployed population

Values:

%

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

bf_unplN: Included systems

Values:

N

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

exp* Expenditure on Minimum Income Protecion

Reference data taken from the Eurostat database (Eurostat 2010)

exp_tsoc: Sum of spending as percentage of overall welfare spending**Values:**

%

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

exp_tsoN: Included systems**Values:**

N

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

exp_bip: Sum of spending as percentage of GDP**Values:**

%

8888 not applicable

9999 not available

exp_bipN: Included systems**Values:**

N

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9999 not available

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