ROMANIAN NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF STATISTICS
ACCESS TO MICRODATA
WHAT ARE MICRODATA

Microdata are confidential data containing information on individual persons, households or business entities, being used in official statistics for the production of aggregate information (usually tables).
LEGAL FRAMEWORK

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 557/2013;
- Guidelines for the assessment of research entities, research proposals and access facilities - Annexes in English;
- Regulation (EU) No 679/2016;
- Law 226/2009;
- Law 190 / 2018
COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) NO 557/2013

- Establishes the conditions under which access to confidential data may be granted for scientific purposes;
- Presents the general principles for granting access to microdata;
- Defines terms like: “confidential data for scientific purposes”, “secure-use files”, “scientific-use files”, “statistical disclosure control methods”, “access facilities”;
- Specify the criteria of recognition of a research entity and the confidentiality undertaking covering all the researchers involved;
GUIDELINES FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF RESEARCH ENTITIES, RESEARCH PROPOSALS AND ACCESS FACILITIES - ANNEXES IN ENGLISH

- Establishes the practical arrangements for the assessment of: research entities, research proposals and access facilities;
- describe the datasets for research use;
- specify the safeguards in place to ensure security of the confidential data;
- describe possible sanctions;
- There are 6 annexes: 2 application forms, 3 confidentiality undertaking + terms of use and 1 individual confidentiality declaration;
Establishes a legal framework for the development, production and dissemination of European statistics, who shall be governed by the following statistical principles: professional independence, impartiality, objectivity, reliability, cost effectiveness and confidentiality;
Regulation (EU) No 679/2016

- lays down rules relating to the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and rules relating to the free movement of personal data
LAW 226/2009
- concerning the structure and operation of the official statistics in Romania.

LAW 190/2018
- implements Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation)
ACCESS TO MICRODATA

- The access to microdata is granted for scientific purposes only;

- Access is in principle restricted to the universities, research institutes or research department in a public administration, and national statistical institutes, central banks inside the EU and the EEA countries, as well as the European Central Bank;

- individuals cannot be granted direct access;

- The request for accessing microdata must contain: details about the organization/institution, official name and address, who will represent the organization (who will be signing the contract), who will be the person in charge of data management and other technical aspects, a description of all currently planned research projects;
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- The organization/institution must fill: the application form for research entities, the confidentiality undertaking and the research proposal application form;
- All the researchers involved must sign an individual confidentiality declaration
- BASED ON THE STANDARD MICRODATA CONTRACT and ACCESS RULES
- SAFE CENTER - in course of arrangement
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION