

AAI 2012: Annex A.2_ Information on chosen indicators for the 2nd domain_ Participation in Society



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2.1. Voluntary activities

Definition	Percentage of older population aged 55+ providing unpaid voluntary work through the organisations
Goal (rational)	To capture non-market unpaid productive activities of older population offered in the form of organised voluntary activities.
Survey question	Please look carefully at the list of organisations and tell us, how often did you do unpaid voluntary work through the following organisations in the last 12 months? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Community and social services (e.g. organisations helping the elderly, young people, disabled or other people in need). 2. Educational, cultural, sports or professional associations Social movements (for example environmental, human rights) or charities (for example fundraising, campaigning) 3. Other voluntary organisations
Source	EQLS
Year	2011
Notes	Voluntary work undertaken through the organisations is captured, thus missing out on informal voluntary activities often undertaken by older people. This definition may introduce systematic bias against some countries (e.g. Poland) where there are lower levels of organised volunteering activities.

2.2. Care to children, grandchildren

Definition	Percentage of older population aged 55+ providing care to their children, grandchildren (<u>at least once a week</u>)
Goal (rational)	To capture activity of older populations in the form of care provision to their own children or grandchildren.

Survey question	In general, how often are you involved in any of the following activities outside of work? a. Caring for your children, grandchildren 1. Every day; 2. Several days a week 3. Once or twice a week 4. Less often 5. Never
Source	EQLS
Year	2011
Notes	No restriction for resident or non-resident children in this definition of the indicator, and also no age restriction for children, grandchildren. The restriction applied is that the care provision should be at least once a week. The occasional care, provided less than once a week, is not included in the indicator.

2.3. Care to older adults

Definition	Percentage of older population aged 55+ providing care to elderly or disabled relatives (<u>at least once a week</u>)
Goal (rationale)	To capture valuable activities of older populations in the form of care provision to older adults.
Survey question	c. Caring for elderly or disabled relatives 1. Every day; 2. Several days a week 3. Once or twice a week 4. Less often 5. Never
Source	EQLS
Year	2011
Notes	It includes care provision for resident as well as non-resident adults and not just the elderly but also the disabled relatives. The occasional care, provided less than once a week, is not included in the indicator.

2.4. Political participation

Definition	Percentage of older population aged 55+ taking part in the activities of meeting of a trade union, a political party or political action group
Goal (rationale)	To capture the wider participation of older population in political and trade union activities and thus their abilities to influence decision making of these organisations.
Survey question	Over the last 12 months, have you ...? 1. Attended a meeting of a trade union, a political party or political action group; 2. Attended a protest or demonstration; 3. Contacted a politician or public official (other than routine contact arising from use of public services) 1 Yes 2 No
Source	EQLS
Year	2011
Notes	Participation recorded not just in political parties but also in trade union activities is included here.

Participation in society (TOTAL)		2.1 Voluntary activities	2.2 Care to children, grandchildren	2.3 Care to older adults	2.4 Political participation
Nr.	Country	EQLS-2011	EQLS-2011	EQLS-2011	EQLS-2011
1	Belgium	16.4	38.7	14.5	11.4
2	Bulgaria	3.3	27.4	11.8	8.3
3	Czech Republic	12.9	37.2	14.8	12.3
4	Denmark	26.8	26.8	6.3	24.0
5	Germany	18.3	17.9	8.5	16.7
6	Estonia	6.8	26.5	12.6	6.2
7	Ireland	29.3	39.4	16.5	15.2
8	Greece	3.6	34.1	11.3	6.7
9	Spain	9.6	36.1	15.7	10.6
10	France	23.2	35.5	13.0	19.2
11	Italy	14.9	53.7	16.9	9.2
12	Cyprus	7.6	44.5	9.0	15.0
13	Latvia	5.4	31.3	10.7	7.7
14	Lithuania	6.0	33.3	13.5	6.9
15	Luxembourg	24.8	31.6	11.8	24.7
16	Hungary	6.1	38.9	13.3	4.3
17	Malta	15.2	31.7	15.0	9.8
18	Netherlands	30.5	30.9	14.0	14.3
19	Austria	32.7	25.0	11.9	17.0
20	Poland	4.8	22.5	13.3	7.1
21	Portugal	7.6	27.9	14.6	5.1
22	Romania	4.4	28.7	11.3	6.3
23	Slovenia	10.1	41.2	10.6	3.5
24	Slovakia	5.0	31.2	11.5	6.0
25	Finland	25.5	31.0	17.1	15.6
26	Sweden	30.7	26.1	10.2	26.5
27	United Kingdom	21.4	26.7	16.1	15.8
	Mean	14.9	32.4	12.8	12.1
	STDV	9.9	7.4	2.7	6.4
	N	27	27	27	27
	Min	3.3	17.9	6.3	3.5
	Max	32.7	53.7	17.1	26.5

Participation in society (MEN)		2.1 Voluntary activities	2.2 Care to children, grandchildren	2.3 Care to older adults	2.4 Political participation
Nr.	Country	EQLS-2011	EQLS-2011	EQLS-2011	EQLS-2011
1	Belgium	18.4	40.3	14.3	13.6
2	Bulgaria	3.2	27.0	11.3	8.5
3	Czech Republic	13.0	38.2	17.6	15.8
4	Denmark	30.9	26.9	5.1	31.3
5	Germany	20.9	17.3	7.3	21.4
6	Estonia	5.2	21.0	13.5	9.7
7	Ireland	30.1	34.8	12.1	20.0
8	Greece	4.2	27.7	7.1	10.6
9	Spain	9.6	30.3	13.2	16.7
10	France	22.7	38.9	11.3	22.1
11	Italy	17.2	49.9	15.1	13.1
12	Cyprus	9.7	37.9	8.3	20.2
13	Latvia	3.8	22.9	6.9	6.2
14	Lithuania	2.5	33.5	16.8	8.2
15	Luxembourg	27.9	31.8	15.0	38.9
16	Hungary	8.5	36.6	13.4	7.8
17	Malta	17.2	31.4	12.5	15.1
18	Netherlands	31.0	32.5	14.0	19.7
19	Austria	39.4	22.1	10.8	23.5
20	Poland	5.5	17.4	11.0	9.0
21	Portugal	7.8	29.3	12.5	5.9
22	Romania	4.2	28.3	7.4	8.7
23	Slovenia	12.8	37.8	12.9	4.6
24	Slovakia	7.7	27.0	9.4	9.0
25	Finland	25.4	28.6	15.9	15.4
26	Sweden	32.2	26.9	10.6	26.1
27	United Kingdom	19.9	26.3	14.3	17.0
	Mean	16.0	30.5	11.8	15.5
	STDV	10.9	7.4	3.3	8.3
	N	27	27	27	27
	Min	2.5	17.3	5.1	4.6
	Max	39.4	49.9	17.6	38.9

Participation in society (WOMEN)		2.1 Voluntary activities	2.2 Care to children, grandchildren	2.3 Care to older adults	2.4 Political participation
Nr.	Country	EQLS-2011	EQLS-2011	EQLS-2011	EQLS-2011
1	Belgium	14.7	37.3	14.7	9.7
2	Bulgaria	3.3	27.8	12.2	8.1
3	Czech Republic	12.8	36.4	12.7	9.6
4	Denmark	23.1	26.8	7.4	17.5
5	Germany	16.1	18.3	9.4	12.7
6	Estonia	7.8	29.9	12.1	3.9
7	Ireland	28.5	43.7	20.1	10.6
8	Greece	3.2	39.7	15.0	3.1
9	Spain	9.5	41.0	17.8	5.5
10	France	23.5	32.9	14.4	17.0
11	Italy	13.0	56.8	18.3	6.0
12	Cyprus	5.8	50.1	9.5	10.6
13	Latvia	6.3	36.2	12.8	8.7
14	Lithuania	8.1	33.1	11.7	6.2
15	Luxembourg	22.0	31.5	8.9	12.0
16	Hungary	4.4	40.6	13.1	1.8
17	Malta	13.6	31.9	17.0	5.4
18	Netherlands	30.0	29.4	14.1	9.4
19	Austria	27.3	27.3	12.8	11.8
20	Poland	4.4	26.2	14.8	5.8
21	Portugal	7.5	26.8	16.1	4.5
22	Romania	4.6	29.1	14.0	4.5
23	Slovenia	8.0	43.9	8.9	2.6
24	Slovakia	2.9	34.3	13.2	3.8
25	Finland	25.5	32.9	18.1	15.8
26	Sweden	29.4	25.4	9.8	26.9
27	United Kingdom	22.7	27.1	17.6	14.7
	Mean	14.0	33.9	13.6	9.2
	STDV	9.3	8.3	3.3	5.7
	N	27	27	27	27
	Min	2.9	18.3	7.4	1.8
	Max	30.0	56.8	20.1	26.9