

General Household Survey (GHS) 2011

Thank you for choosing the GHS 2011 unit records.
We hope that you will find this product useful.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

This file sets out the information that you will need to access the data provided.

In order to process and analyse the data users should be in possession of appropriate software that can handle very large datasets. Users can contact Stats SA for advice in this regard if necessary.

The files essential for accessing the data are provided in text format. Other files with relevant information have been provided in Word, PDF and Excel 2000 formats. If you do not have software appropriate for this format, please contact Stats SA and paper copies will be forwarded to you.

Users can also access, explore and download the micro data in various formats, i.e. SAS, SPSS, Stata, etc. as well as the metadata from StatsOnline at www.statssa.gov.za. Click on 'Interactive data' then "Nesstar".

2. CONTENTS OF CD

2.1 Data

This directory contains the data files in ASCII format:

- Person_2011.txt
- House_2011.txt

2.2 Metadata

The files and the corresponding sections of the questionnaire are as follows:

- Person: Data from Flap and Section 1 and 2
- House: Data from Section 3 and 4

2.3 Record layouts

The record layouts contain information about the question numbers, a short description and also the start position and length of each variable in the Person and House files.

Variable names, which are also supplied for convenience, are the ones used internally within Stats SA.

The Metadata should be consulted for more detail descriptions of the variables.

2.4 Questionnaire

This directory contains the following sections in Word and PDF format:

- The Cover page contains particulars of households, response details, field staff information, result codes, etc. (This information is not contained in the data supplied)
- The Flap covers demographic information (name, sex, age, population group, etc.)
- Section 1 covers biographical information (education, health, disability, welfare)
- Section 2 covers Economic activities.

- Section 3 and 4, these sections covers Household information (type of dwelling, ownership of dwelling and other assets, electricity, water and sanitation, environmental issues, services, transport, expenditure etc.

2.5 Statistical release

This directory contains the statistical release in PDF format.

3. REQUIREMENTS

The following minimum hard drive space is required:

- Data 29.1 Mb
- Questionnaire 6.5 Mb
- Metadata 1.1 Mb
- Other 4.0 Mb

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