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STUDY DESCRIPTION

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TITLE: Survey of Activities of Young People, 2015

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KEYWORDS: Employment; Unemployment; Household surveys; Housing; Informal sector; Labour supply.

SERIES DATA:

Series name:					Principal Investigator:	Currently available:
Survey	of	Activities	of	Young	Statistics South Africa	1999 (not available at SADA)
People						
Survey	of	Activities	of	Young	Statistics South Africa	2010
People						
Survey	of	Activities	of	Young	Statistics South Africa	2015
People						

ABSTRACT:

The Survey of Activities of Young People (SAYP) reports on activities of young people aged 7–17 years. The survey covers involvement of children in market production activities, production for own final consumption, household chores as well as activities that children engaged in at school. Statistics South Africa collects SAYP information as part of the module of the Quarterly Labour Force Survey (QLFS) every four years. The Survey of Activities of Young People (2015) is the third of its kind to be conducted at a national level by Statistics South Africa (Stats SA). This report compares figures of 2010 and 2015 and please note that the 2010 figures have been revised due to re-benchmarking.

GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION: South Africa

IMPORTANT VARIABLES: Educational activities, economic activities, non-economic activities, health and safety issues, and household tasks of individuals aged 7–17 years who live in South Africa.

DEMOGRAPHIC VARIABLES: Educational activities, economic activities, non-economic activities, health and safety issues, and household tasks of individuals aged 7–17 years who live in South Africa.

UNIVERSE: Households in the nine provinces of South Africa

METHOD OF DATA COLLECTION: Survey Questionnaire

SAMPLING:

The Survey of Activities of Young People (SAYP) comprised two stages. The first stage involved identifying households with children aged 7–17 years during the Quarterly Labour Force Survey (QLFS) data collection that took place in the third quarter of 2015 (Q3: 2015). The second stage involved a follow-up interview with children in those households to establish what kind of activities they were involved in and several other aspects related to the activities they engaged in.

The QLFS questionnaires for Q3: 2015 were checked for children aged 7–17 years using the question on age in the first part of the QLFS questionnaire. The screening process for the SAYP was performed to ensure that only households with eligible children were revisited. The QLFS data were collected in the middle two weeks of the month throughout the quarter, while SAYP data collection was done in the last week of a month, also throughout the quarter. The District Survey Coordinators were responsible for checking all the questionnaires for persons eligible for inclusion in the SAYP, and then the Survey Officers had to go back to the household and individuals and administer the SAYP questionnaire to the relevant respondents.

It was preferable for children to answer the questions themselves and alone, but in cases where this was not possible, they were interviewed in the presence of an adult (preferably the parent) and in some cases an adult would answer on behalf of a child.

UNITS OF OBSERVATION: Households

DATE OF DATA COLLECTION:

EXTENT OF DATA COLLECTION: 1 data file in ASCII and machine-readable documentation.

FILE SPECIFICATIONS:

Part 1: Data File

Number of cases: 13 640
Number of records: 13 640
Number of records per case: 1
Logical Record Length: 2080
Number of variables: 136
Number of kilobytes: 19 407 KB

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NOTES:

Most questions in the Labour Force Survey questionnaire are pre-coded, i.e. there is a set number of options from which one or more must be selected. For open-ended (write-in) questions, the description will note that post-coding occurred and explain how this was done. For most variables the coding is apparent from the questionnaire (available elsewhere in the documentation) and is not repeated in the variable description. Where the coding is not apparent, the description either provides the codes or indicates where code lists are to be found.

RESTRICTIONS:

Only available to bona fide researchers.

DATE STUDY ADDED:

30 August 2017