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South African Social Attitudes Survey (SASAS) 2011: Financial Literacy Survey (FSB) - All provinces

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Data set description

The FSB used a multidimensional approach to financial literacy, which centres on four principal domains: namely, day-to-day money management, financial planning, choosing appropriate products, and financial knowledge and understanding. The questionnaire was structured in a way as to capture these domains. Respondents had to complete all questions in all sections.

The data set for dissemination contains 2972 cases and 897 variables.

Data set abstract

SASAS represents a notable tool for monitoring evolving social, economic and political values among South Africans, but it also demonstrates promising utility as an anticipatory, or predictive, mechanism that can inform decision- and policy-making processes.

Due to various requests from government departments and other organisations, the HSRC has made a capacity available for external organisations to participate in the survey by purchasing questions in the survey (the so called client questionnaire). In 2011 the FSB purchased a full module of questions in the SASAS survey, attempting to determine a financial literacy baseline for South Africa.

The SASAS 2011 round was designed to yield a representative sample of 3 500 individuals aged 16 and older in households which are geographically spread across the country's nine provinces. Each SASAS round of interviewing consists of a sample of 500 Population Census enumeration areas (EAs) as primary sampling units, stratified by province, geographical sub-type and majority population group.

Time method

Longitudinal: Trend/Repeated cross section

Time period

01 NOV 2011 - 31 DEC 2011

Origin

Primary data

Granularity

Micro level data

Type of data

Quantitative

Kind of data

Single tabular (One separate matrix of data values)

Production date

2011

Version

1.0

Countries

South Africa

Geographic coverage

Nine provinces in South Africa: Western Cape, Eastern Cape, Northern Cape, Free State, KwaZulu-Natal, North West, Gauteng, Mpumalanga, Limpopo.

Geographic unit

Small area layers (SALs) were used as primary sampling units, from urban formal, urban informal, rural formal and rural informal settlements.

Unit of analysis

Individuals, Households (3500 sampled; 2972 realised) 84.9%

Universe - Included

National Population: Adults (aged 16 and older). The sampling frame used for the survey is based on the 2001 census and enumerator areas(EAs) were used as the primary sampling unit. Estimates of the population numbers for various categories of the census variables were obtained per EA.

Universe - Excluded

National Population: Youth (younger than 16 years) In this sampling frame special institutions (such as hospitals, military camps, old age homes, schools and university hostels), recreational areas, industrial areas and vacant EAs were excluded prior to the drawing of the sample.

Date of collection

01 NOV 2010 - 31 DEC 2011

Mode of data collection

Face-to-face interview

Sampling procedure

SASAS has been designed to yield a representative sample of 3500 adult South African citizens aged 16 and

older (with no upper age limit), in households geographically spread across the country's nine provinces. The sampling frame used for the survey was based on the 2011 census and a set of small area layers (SALs). Estimates of the population numbers for various categories of the census variables were obtained per SAL. In this sampling frame special institutions (such as hospitals, military camps, old age homes, schools and university hostels), recreational areas, industrial areas and vacant SALs were excluded prior to the drawing of the sample.

Small area layers (SALs) were used as primary sampling units and the estimated number of dwelling units (taken as visiting points) in the SALs as secondary sampling units. In the first sampling stage the primary sampling units (SALs) were drawn with probability proportional to size, using the estimated number of dwelling units in an SAL as measure of size. The dwelling units as secondary sampling units were defined as "separate (non-vacant) residential stands, addresses, structures, flats, homesteads, etc." In the second sampling stage a predetermined number of individual dwelling units (or visiting points) were drawn with equal probability in each of the drawn dwelling units. Finally, in the third sampling stage a person was drawn with equal probability from all 16 year and older persons in the drawn dwelling units.

Three explicit stratification variables were used, namely province, geographic type and majority population group. As stated earlier, within each stratum, the allocated number of primary sampling units (which could differ between different strata) was drawn using proportional to size probability sampling with the estimated number of dwelling units in the primary sampling units as measure of size. In each of these drawn primary sampling units, seven dwelling units were drawn. This resulted in a sample of 3500 individuals.

A list of the 500 drawn SALs were given to geographic information specialists (GIS) and maps were then created for each of the 500 areas, indicating certain navigational beacons such as schools, roads churches etc.

Selection of individuals:

For each of the SASAS samples interviewers visited each visiting point drawn in the SALs (PSU) and listed all eligible persons for inclusion in the sample, that is all persons currently aged 16 years or older and resident at the selected visiting point. The interviewer then selected one respondent using a random selection procedure based on a Kish grid.

Weighting

The data were weighted to take account of the fact that not all units covered in the survey had the same probability of selection. The weighting reflected the relative selection probabilities of the individual at the three main stages of selection: visiting point (address), household and individual. In order to ensure representivity of smaller groups, i.e. Northern Cape residents or Indian/Asian people, weights needed to be applied. Person and household weights were benchmarked using the SAS CALMAR macro and province, population group, gender and 5 age groups (i.e. 16-24, 25-34, 35-49, 50-59 and 60 and older). These benchmark variables for persons and province and population group of the respondent in the household were selected due to their reliability and validity. The marginal totals for the benchmark variables were obtained from the 2011 mid-year population estimates as published by Statistics South Africa. The estimated South African population was therefore used as the target population.

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