

HOUSEHOLD BUDGET SURVEY IN SECOND QUARTER 2005 - Preliminary results -

Methodological explanations

The data were obtained through Household Budget Survey, which has been conducted since 2003 according to international standards and recommendations of EUROSTAT, ILO and UN and that provides for international data comparability. The survey collects the data on income, expenditure and household consumption, i.e. the data on basic elements of consumption. Besides, the survey compiles also the data on some important living standard indicators (dwelling conditions, supply with durable consumer goods, etc.), as well as some basic data related to demographic, economic and social households features.

According to the sample plan, every chosen household, single-member or several members including, is a survey unit. A household is: a) a community of persons whose members live together, prepare food and spend realized income jointly; b) a single person, living, preparing food and spending income on his/her own.

Two-stage stratified sample is applied in the survey with enumeration districts as primary selection units and households as secondary ones. The Republic of Serbia territory is divided into three strata: Central Serbia (Belgrade excluded), the City of Belgrade and Vojvodina. 40 enumeration districts are chosen every 15 days; i.e. 200 households in total.

According to the EUROSTAT recommendations, out of total number of households envisaged for survey in the survey period (1.200 for the Republic of Serbia), the number of 1002 households (84%) was covered by the survey.

The survey applies the method of diary keeping (a household keeps a personal consumption diary for fifteen, i.e. sixteen days) regarding items consumption, agriculture and other (home industry) and also interview method (questioning) on the basis of questionnaires, where the reference period for durables lasts twelve months, for semi-durables three months and for agriculture, hunting and fishing - a month.

Salaries and wages in cash include earnings in regular employment, earnings out of regular working hours and earnings pursuant to deed contracts

Cash transfers from government institutions include: social welfare receipts, health insurance receipts, pensions and disability insurance receipts, allowances (disability, etc.), children allowances, student grants, as well as allowances for students of vocational training schools, receipts of subsidies for unemployed and government cash grants.

Cash transfers from non-government institutions include money donations from non-government organizations.

Transfers and donations in kind include: donations in kind received from non-government organizations, other donations in kind (not mentioned before) and donations in kind from government organizations.

Other receipts include: donations and various money awards (lottery games, wedding presents, etc.), leasing, interests, credits, life insurance receipts, damages or destruction insurance receipts, etc.

Savings include: receipts of securities (stocks, dividends) sales, lending returns and cash decrease (solidarity relief, cashed savings, etc.).

Consumed household funds are presented by the following groups of COICOP classification: food and non-alcoholic beverages; alcoholic drinks and tobacco; clothes and footwear; dwelling, water, electricity, gas and other fuels supply; home furniture, equipment and maintenance; health service; transport; communications; recreation and culture; education; restaurants and hotels; and other goods and services.

The published data relate to available and spent resources in the second quarter 2005 and they present monthly averages by household, given in dinar values.

The data are published for the Republic of Serbia, Central Serbia, the City of Belgrade, Central Serbia (excluding Belgrade) and Vojvodina, for all households.

Available and used consumption funds in second quarter 2005
- Average by household -
All households

Dinars

	Republic of Serbia ¹⁾				
	Total	Central Serbia			Vojvodina
		Total	City of Belgrade, excluded	City of Belgrade	
Monthly average					
Number of households surveyed	1002	766	512	254	236
Number of households assessed	2590604	1874094	1287828	586266	716510
Members, average number	3,13	3,17	3,20	3,10	3,01
Consumption units, average number	2,40	2,43	2,45	2,39	2,33
Salaries and wages	12418	13306	10716	18994	10095
Cash transfers from government organizations	6847	7244	6578	8707	5804
Cash transfers from non-government organizations	235	202	212	178	320
External cash transfers	239	275	400	0	146
Receipts from agriculture, hunting and fishing	1931	1662	2350	151	2636
Receipts in kind	31	39	36	46	11
Transfers and donations in kind	253	120	174	0	600
External transfers in kind	54	74	108	0	0
Other receipts (leasing, interests, savings, etc.)	1579	687	224	1700	3910
Available funds, total	23587	23609	20798	29776	23522
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	9488	10263	9931	10998	7462
Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	1201	1275	1211	1414	1005
Clothes and footwear	1372	1463	1162	2127	1124
Dwelling, water, electricity, gas and other fuels supply	4150	4114	3468	5530	4243
Home furniture, equipment and maintenance	1221	1198	1150	1308	1279
Health service	999	1118	998	1385	688
Transport	2910	2889	2650	3419	2961
Communications	712	711	662	818	715
Recreation and culture	928	994	747	1539	758
Education	481	575	413	931	237
Restaurants and hotels	379	403	342	532	321
Other goods and services	1272	1280	866	2183	1253
Expenditures, cash total	25113	26283	23600	32184	22046

¹⁾ Data for Kosovo and Metohia excluded.

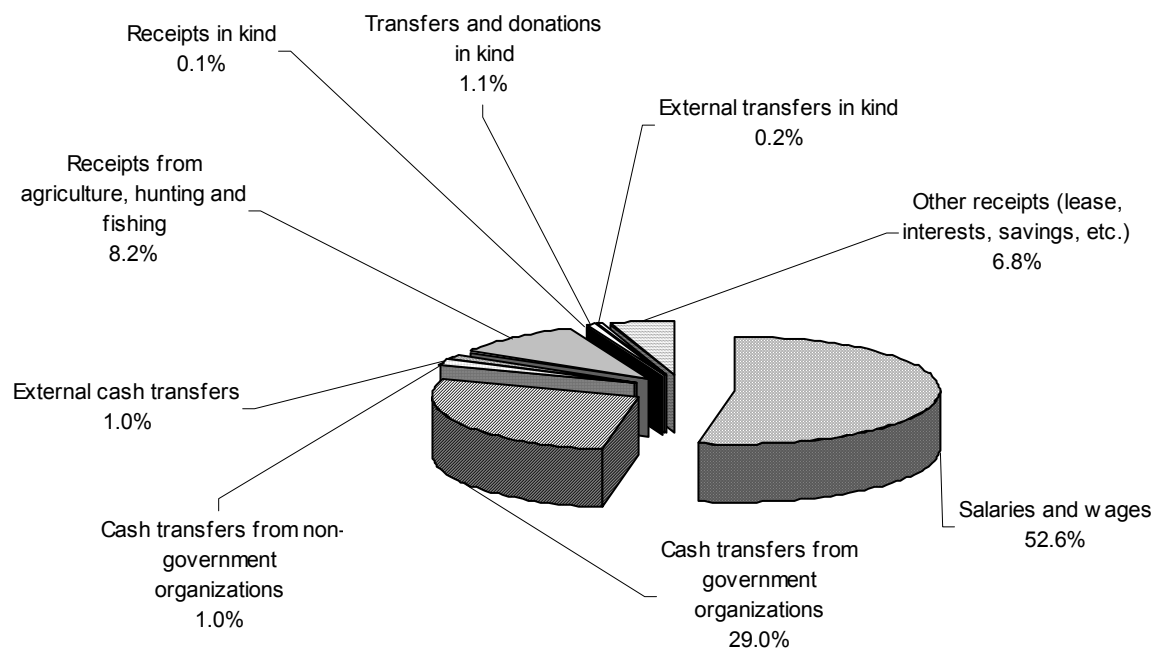
Structure of available and used consumption funds in second quarter 2005
- Average by household -
- All households -

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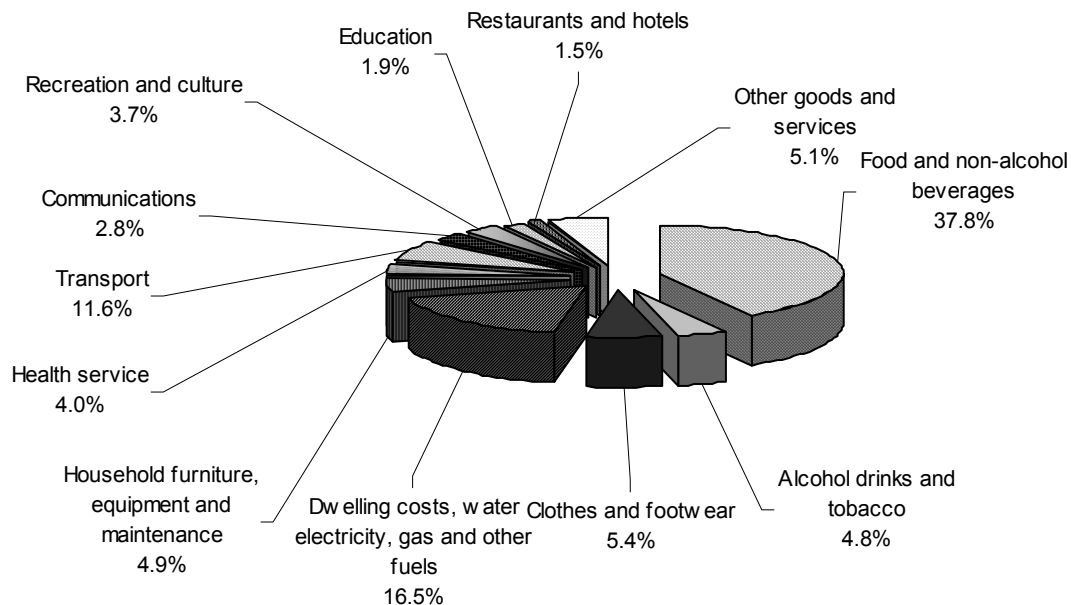
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Salaries and wages	52,6	56,4	51,5	63,8	42,9
Cash transfers by government organizations	29,0	30,7	31,6	29,2	24,7
Cash transfers by non-government organizations	1,0	0,9	1,0	0,6	1,4
External cash transfers	1,0	1,2	1,9	0,0	0,6
Receipts from agriculture, hunting and fishing	8,2	7,0	11,3	0,5	11,2
Receipts in kind	0,1	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,0
Transfers and donations in kind	1,1	0,5	0,8	0,0	2,6
External transfers in kind	0,2	0,3	0,5	0,0	0,0
Other receipts (leasing, interests, savings, etc.)	6,8	2,8	1,2	5,7	16,6
Available funds, total	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	37,8	39,0	42,1	34,2	33,8
Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	4,8	4,8	5,1	4,3	4,7
Clothes and footwear	5,4	5,5	4,9	6,6	5,1
Dwelling, water, electricity, gas and other fuels supply	16,5	15,7	14,7	17,2	19,2
Home furniture, equipment and maintenance	4,9	4,6	4,9	4,1	5,8
Health service	4,0	4,3	4,2	4,3	3,1
Transport	11,6	11,0	11,2	10,6	13,4
Communications	2,8	2,7	2,8	2,5	3,2
Recreation and culture	3,7	3,8	3,2	4,8	3,4
Education	1,9	2,2	1,8	2,9	1,1
Restaurants and hotels	1,5	1,5	1,4	1,7	1,5
Other goods and services	5,1	4,9	3,7	6,8	5,7
Expenditures, cash total	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0

¹⁾ Data for Kosovo and Metohija excluded

**Structure of available funds of households of the
Republic of Serbia 2nd quarter 2005**



**Structure of used funds in households of the Republic of Serbia
2nd quarter 2005**



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