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## HOUSEHOLD BUDGET SURVEY IN 3<sup>rd</sup> QUARTER 2007

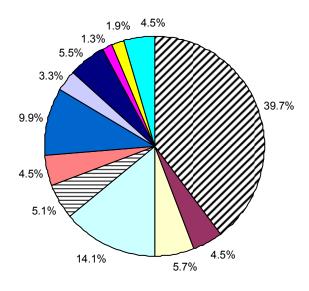
- Preliminary results -

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, thus providing international data comparability. The survey collects the data on income, expenditure and household consumption, i.e. the data on basic elements of individual 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 features of households.

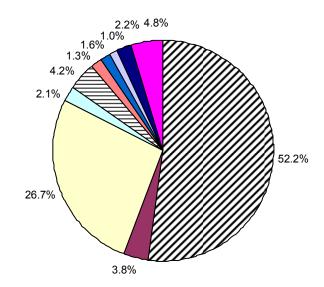
In the third quarter of 2007, the average available monthly budget per household **in** the Republic of Serbia amounted to dinars 40404, and the individual consumption expenditures of the households amounted to dinars 34086.

Of the total number of households envisaged for interview in the second quarter (1200 for the Republic of Serbia), the number of 1153 households (96%) was interviewed.

Individual consumption (structure), Republic of Serbia, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2007



Household income in money (structure), Republic of Serbia, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2007



- ▼ 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
- Other goods and services

- Regular salaries and wages
- Other income
- □ Pensions (old-age, family, disablement and other)
- Other social insurance receipts
- □ Income from agriculture, hunting and fishing
- External receipts
- Real estate related income
- Donations and awards
- Customer and investment credits
- Other receipts

# Structure of available budget and individual consumption in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2007 - All households -

					%
	Republic of Serbia 1)				
		Central Serbia			
	All	Total	Without City of Belgrade	City of Belgrade	Vojvodina
Number of households surveyed	1153	853	588	265	300
Number of households assessed	2536714	1832482	1257375	575107	704232
Members, average number	2,92	2,95	3,06	2,72	2,82
Consumption units, average number	2,28	2,31	2,40	2,13	2,21
Available budget - total	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
Household income in money	94,4	94,5	91,7	98,8	94,3
Regular salaries and wages	49,0	51,2	47,5	56,6	43,1
Other income	3,6	3,3	3,0	3,9	4,5
Pensions (old-age, family, disablement and other)	25,2	24,4	22,0	28,0	27,6
Other social insurance receipts	2,0	2,0	2,3	1,6	1,8
Income from agriculture, hunting and fishing	4,0	3,4	5,5	0,1	5,8
External receipts	1,5	1,3	1,7	0,8	1,9
Real estate related income	1,5	1,1	0,8	1,6	2,7
Donations and awards	0,9	1,1	1,0	1,3	0,4
Customer and investment credits	4,6	5,0	6,3	3,0	3,3
Other receipts	2,1	1,7	1,6	1,9	3,2
Приходи домаћинстава у натури	5,6	5,5	8,3	1,2	5,7
Приходи у натури на име зарада	0,1	0,0	0,0	0,1	0,1
Натурална потрошња	5,5	5,5	8,3	1,1	5,6
Individual consumption – total	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	39,7	41,4	41,7	40,9	35,5
Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	4,5	4,8	5,2	3,9	3,7
Clothes and footwear	5,7	5,7	6,1	5,1	5,5
Dwelling, water, electricity, gas and other fuels					
supply	14,1	13,9	14,7	12,3	14,8
Home furniture, equipment and maintenance	5,1	4,7	4,7	4,6	6,2
Health service	4,5	4,4	3,9	5,4	4,9
Transport	9,9	9,3	9,3	9,1	11,6
Communications	3,3	3,2	3,3	3,1	3,5
Recreation and culture	5,5	5,3	4,3	7,1	6,0
Education	1,3	1,3	1,6	0,9	1,1
Restaurants and hotels	1,9	1,9	1,9	2,0	1,8
Other goods and services	4,5	4,1	3,3	5,6	5,4

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<sup>1)</sup> The data for Kosovo and Metohia not available.

### Methodological explanations

In this survey, a two-stage stratified sample is applied, with enumeration districts as primary and households as secondary selection units. The basic geographic stratums are the territory of Central Serbia and Vojvodina. Every fifteen days, 200 households are interviewed, i.e. 4800 households annually.

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

The survey applies the method of diary keeping (a household keeps a consumption diary for fifteen, i.e. sixteen days) regarding individual consumption of food and services and the interview method on the basis of questionnaires, where the reference period for durables is twelve months, for semi-durables - three months and for earnings, agriculture, hunting and fishing - three months.

**Available household budget** comprises income in money and the money value of natural consumption and receipts in kind, which were available to households in the respective survey period.

### Household income in money

- Regular salaries and wages cover the income from regular employment.
- Other income comprises: money receipts for overtime work, pursuant to purchase order, author's deed contract, etc.
- **Pensions (old-age, family, disablement and other)** cover: the receipts pursuant to pension and disablement insurance and supplementary payments.
- Other social insurance related receipts include: social aid, supplements and other welfare receipts; receipts in cases of unemployment and temporary unemployment; alimentation and support; health insurance related receipts, disablement insurance related receipts and supplements; children allowances; student grants and remuneration, i.e. compensations for trade students.
- **Income from agriculture, hunting and fishing** includes: earnings of households that are active in agriculture, hunting and fishing.
- **External receipts** include money donations and other external receipts.
- **Real estate related income** comprises room and flat rents, interests, dividends and sales related receipts (real estates and movables).
- **Donations and awards** comprise money donations, lottery related receipts, etc.
- Customer and investment credits refer to credits raised in last 12 months.
- **Other receipts** saving deposits raised, lending returns, decreased cash amounts kept in households, refunded nationalized estates, life insurance and real estate insurance premiums, etc.

#### Household receipts in kind

- **Earned receipts in kind** include food, clothes, footwear, household expenditures (electricity, phone, registration, car fuel) paid by employer, etc.
- **Natural consumption** comprises the value of products from own household production that are used for individual consumption (food, drinks, wood for heating, etc.)

**Individual consumption of households** is presented by the following groups of COICOP classification (Classification of individual consumption by purpose): food and non-alcoholic beverages; alcoholic drinks and tobacco; clothes and footwear; dwelling, water, electricity, gas and other fuels supply; home furniture, equipment, appliances and maintenance; health service; transport; communications; recreation and culture; education; restaurants and hotels; and other goods and services.

The published data relate to available budget and individual consumption in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2007 and they present monthly average values by household, given in dinar amounts.

The data are published for the Republic of Serbia, the central Serbia, the City of Belgrade, the central Serbia (without Belgrade) and Vojvodina, for all households.

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