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LIVES-FORS Cohort Survey, Waves 1-7

Abstract

The principal aim of the Swiss Household Panel (SHP) is to observe social change, in particular the dynamics of changing living conditions and representations in the population of Switzerland. Covering a broad range of topics and approaches in the social sciences, SHP is a yearly panel with rotating modules following three random samples of private households in Switzerland over time, interviewing all household members, mainly by telephone.

The LIVES-FORS Cohort survey can be essentially seen as an SHP additional sample. The waves of SHP and the LIVES-FORS Cohort run in parallel and share most of the questions and modules. That said the LIVES-FORS Cohort is distinguished from SHP by a specific reference population and sampling procedure (see below). In addition, only the targeted member of the household has to respond to the individual questionnaire (and not all members as in SHP).

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Producers (alphabetical order): FORS, NCCR LIVES.

Keywords: Living conditions, Swiss Household Panel, Oversample, Secondos.

Population and sample procedure

Target Population: The sample includes only individuals (a) born between 1988 and 1997 (included), (b) residing in Switzerland on the 1st of January 2013 and (c) schooled in Switzerland prior to the age of 10. Representative of the target population, the sample over-represents second generation immigrants, i.e. respondents whose (d) parents were both born abroad and who have arrived in Switzerland after the age of 18 years. The aim of this study was to build an extensive sample of second generation immigrants across Switzerland.

Sampling Procedure: The selection process of the first wave used a "controlled network sampling" method, starting with a stratified random sample and is composed by three separated steps:

- *Iteration 1*: participants from the reference population are randomly selected from the national registers of the Federal Statistical Office (OFS). The draw is made according to certain criteria defined by the NCCR LIVES, in particular an overrepresentation of presumed secondos.
- *Iteration 2*: Participants of the iteration 1 respond to a network questionnaire through which new participants are identified. First detection of secondos.
- *Iteration 3*: Participants of the iteration 2 respond to the network questionnaire and a last sample of participants is collected by a sampling procedure intended to overrepresented presumed secondos.

For more information on the sampling procedure and the weighting system see the technical report: http://forscenter.ch/fr/our-surveys/swiss-household-panel/documentationfaq/methodes/ponderation/.







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Type of Data

Kind of data: Quantitative.

Time Methods: Cross-sectional and longitudinal.

Time Period: Preceding year and present.

Mode: Except for the first wave, where information were collected by CATI/CAPI and Self-administrated paper questionnaire, the LIVES-FORS Cohort Survey collect information exclusively by computer assisted telephone interviewing (CATI). We offer face-to-face (computer assisted personal interviewing (CAPI)) and computer assisted web interviewing (CAWI) to reluctant respondents only.

Wave	Sample (Individual questionnaire respondent)				Data collection	
	Number of respondents	Non secondos (%)	Secondos (%)	Response rate (%)*	Mode	Dates
1	1691	53.4	46.6	71.4	CATI ¹ , CAPI ²	2013.10.14 – 2014.06.14
2	1395	57.1	42.9	82.7	CATI	2014.11.24 – 2015.05.02
3	1187	57.7	42.3	85.1	CATI	2015.10.29 – 2016.04.02
4	904	59.4	40.6	76.2	CATI	2016.11.01 – 2017.04.03
5	851	58.6	41.4	94.1	CATI	2017.10.24 – 2018.03.05
6	784	61.8	38.2	92	CATI	2018.10.29- 2019.03.02
7	644	62.6	37.4	82.2	CATI	2019.11.04- 2020.02.29

^{*}Note: the response rate is calculated in different ways for wave 1 (based on eligible persons) and the others (based on individual interviews of the previous wave).

¹ Telephone interview

 $^{^{2}}$ Self-administrated paper questionnaire : History Life Calendar $\,$



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Questionnaire

Wave1

The LIVES-FORS Cohort Survey (and SHP_III) respondents at the first wave in 2013 filled up a self-administered paper life calendar (residential trajectory, living arrangements, partner relationships, family events, professional activities and health during the entire life course).

Questions available in LIVES-FORS Cohort Survey, but not in SHP_III³

Individual questionnaire

IDFATH13: Identification number of father
IDMOTH13: Identification number of mother

P13D168: Secondos: yes-no [CV]⁴ Household questionnaire – no additional variables

Questions available in SHP_III, but not in LIVES-FORS Cohort Survey

Individual questionnaire – no additional variables

Household questionnaire

H13I1[21-35] Deprivation indicator : Dishwasher/Savings into 3rd pillar/etc.

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³ In wave 1 the SHP and SHP_III questionnaires differ. SHP_III also responded to the life calendar. This is why, only for this wave we compare the LIVES-FORS Cohort questionnaires with SHP_III.

⁴ Constructed variable



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Wave 2

Questions available in LIVES-FORS Cohort Survey, but not in SHP

Individual questionnaire

P14D168 Secondos: yes-no [CV]

P14D2[02-21] Partners information

P14H0[5-6] Housing: where and reason to move

Household questionnaire – no additional variables

Questions available in SHP, but not in LIVES-FORS Cohort Survey

Individual questionnaire

P14C[84-92] Smoke

P14E30 Highest education completed: Year

P14N5[3-5] Donations

P14N [56-61] Values and social participation

P14P [02-06] Politics: satisfaction/feeling/trust/status/participation

P14P [46-47] Political position: Father/Mother

P14P [11-74] Member of a political party and politics opinions

P14P [20-80] Political values: gender/class identification/public expenses

P14D [91-92] Opinion on family

P14A [05-06] Satisfaction with free time/leisure activities

Household questionnaire

I14DISPY Disposable household income: yearly amount [CV]

I14HTAX Total yearly taxes [CV]



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Wave 3

Questions available in LIVES-FORS Cohort Survey, but not in SHP

Individual questionnaire

P15D168 Secondos: yes-no [CV]

Household questionnaire – no additional variables

Questions available in SHP, but not in LIVES-FORS Cohort Survey

Individual questionnaire

P15C [140-154] Big five inventory 15

P15A [180-198] Sport

YCOUPLE15 Partner or spouse: Since when: Corrected year

Household questionnaire

Disposable household income: yearly amount [CV]

I15HTAX Total yearly taxes [CV]

Wave 4

Questions available in LIVES-FORS Cohort Survey, but not in SHP

Individual questionnaire

P16D168 Secondos: yes-no [CV]

Household questionnaire

H16I70 Total yearly taxes

Questions available in SHP, but not in LIVES-FORS Cohort Survey

Individual questionnaire – no additional variables

Household questionnaire

I16DISPY Disposable household income: yearly amount [CV]

I16HTAX Total yearly taxes [CV]





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Wave 5

Questions available in LIVES-FORS Cohort Survey, but not in SHP

Individual questionnaire

P17D168 Secondos: yes-no [CV]

P17E08 Education: Doctorate obtained

Household questionnaire

H17I70 Total yearly taxes

Questions available in SHP, but not in LIVES-FORS Cohort Survey

Individual questionnaire

P17C186 Number of family doctor consultations

P17C [191-194] Family doctor and specialist: quality and satisfaction

P17C [187-190] Health insurance

P17C185 Scenarios about health policy

Household questionnaire

H17H12 Satisfaction with accommodation

H17H [23-28/53] Accommodation conditions

H17H [41-49] Renovation of Accommodation

H17F [04-07A/10] External help

H17F [15-18A/21] External help: Care for elderly

H17F [26-32] External help: Care for handicapped

I17DISPY Disposable household income: yearly amount [CV]

I17HTAX Total yearly taxes [CV]



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Wave 6

Questions available in LIVES-FORS Cohort Survey, but not in SHP

Individual questionnaire

P18D168 Secondos: yes-no [CV]

P18A[257-220] Internet use

P18A[221-234] Smartphone use and activities

P18A[235-249] Tablet use and activities

P18A250 Mode preference

P18A[251-254] Willingness to answer: mode

P18A[255-256] CAWI device used and Easy/difficult

Household questionnaire

H18I70 Total yearly taxes

Questions available in SHP, but not in LIVES-FORS Cohort Survey

Individual questionnaire – no additional variables

P18C186 Number of family doctor consultations: Last 12 months
P18C[191-194] Family doctor and specialist: quality and satisfaction

P18C[187-188] Health insurance model: yes-no / which

P18C189 Yearly deductible

P18C190 Supplementary health insurance

P18R[15-21] Religion, spirituality and meditation: participation, feeling and beliefs

P18R[23-28] Attitude towards Christianism, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism, Judaism and atheism

Household questionnaire

H18H12 Satisfaction with accommodation

H18H [23-28/53] Accommodation conditions

H18H [41-49] Renovation of Accommodation

H18F [04-07A/10] External help

H18F [15-18A/21] External help: Care for elderly

H18F [26-32] External help: Care for handicapped

I18DISPY Disposable household income: yearly amount [CV]

I18HTAX Total yearly taxes [CV]



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Wave 7

Questions available in LIVES-FORS Cohort Survey, but not in SHP

Individual questionnaire

P19D168 Secondos: yes-no [CV]

P19N[67-75/77-84] Time distance: partner, mother and father

P19N[86-90] Important family tie: Yes-no / who

P19A251 Willingness to answer: Internet

P19A[263-264] CAWI: future device used and future answer location

P19A[265-266] Smartphone: yes/no and skills

P19A[267-271] Smartphone CAWI: Internet, application, photos, movements and GPS
P19A[272-275] Financial information: face-to-face, telephone, computer, smartphone

P19A276 Personal information: websites

P19A255 CAWI device used

P19A277 Willingness to the link with administrative data

Household questionnaire

H19I70 Total yearly taxes

Questions available in SHP, but not in LIVES-FORS Cohort Survey

Individual questionnaire - no additional variables

Household questionnaire

H19H12 Satisfaction with accommodation

H19H [23-28/53] Accommodation conditions

H19H [41-49] Renovation of Accommodation

H19F [04-07A/10] External help

H19F [15-18A/21] External help: Care for elderly

H19F [26-32] External help: Care for handicapped

I19DISPY Disposable household income: yearly amount [CV]

I19HTAX Total yearly taxes [CV]