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Introduction

The Social Assistance and Minimum Income Protection Interim Data-Set (SaMip) is an ongoing research project at the Swedish Institute for Social Research (Stockholm University). The data-set is free to use by scholars interested in the development of means-tested benefits over the last decades. The current version of the data-set (1.3.4) includes twenty-seven countries and sixteen cross-sections capturing the evolution of means-tested benefits in contemporary industrialized democracies.

The user of the SaMip should carefully consult the documentation of the data before conducting any empirical analyses. Researchers involved in the establishment of the Social Assistance and Minimum Income Protection Interim Data-Set shall not be liable for any loss suffered through the use of any of this information.

Citations to the data can be made by giving reference to the documentation of the data-set or to the following papers:

Nelson, K. 2007. "Universalism versus Targeting: The Vulnerability of Social Insurance and Means-Tested Minimum Income Protection in 18 countries 1990-2002", *International Social Security Review*, Vol. 60(1).

Nelson, K. 2007. "Minimum Income Protection and European Integration: Trends and Levels of Minimum Benefits in Comparative Perspective 1990-2005", *International Journal of Health Services*, Vol. 38(1).

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Abbreviations

N.A. = Not applicable

M.D. = Missing Data

Variables

The following variables are included in the dataset.

<i>Variable</i>	<i>Original Name</i>	<i>Information</i>
X1	Country	Value Labels: 1=Australia 2=Austria 3=Belgium 4=Canada

		5=Denmark
		6=Finland
		7=France
		8=Germany
		9=Ireland
		10=Italy
		11=Japan
		12=Netherlands
		13=New Zealand
		14=Norway
		15=Sweden
		16=Switzerland
		17=United Kingdom
		18=United States
		19=Spain
		20=Portugal
		21=Greece
		22=Slovakia
		23=Hungary
		24=Estonia
		25=Slovenia
		26=Poland
		27=Czech Republic
X2	Year	1990-2005
X3	SAsi	Social Assistance standard rates for a single adult person below retirement age and without children. Average monthly amounts. Excluding housing costs, special needs benefits and occasional payments. See documentation for details.
X4	SAlp	Same as SAsi but for a lone parent type-case with two children. See documentation for details.
X5	SAfa	Same as SAsi but for a two-parent family with two children. See documentation for details.
X6	SAsiy	Same as SAsi but yearly amounts.
X7	SAlpy	Same as SAlp but yearly amounts.
X8	SAfay	Same as SAfa but yearly amounts.
X9	SAavey	The average of SAsiy, SAlpy, and SAfay.

X10	CSUPPlp	Child supplement for the lone parent type-case. Average monthly amounts. See documentation for details.
X11	CSUPPfa	Child supplement for the two parent type-case. Average monthly amounts. See documentation for details.
X12	HSUPPsi	Housing supplement for the single person without children. Average monthly amounts. See documentation for details.
X13	HSUPPlp	Housing supplement for the lone parent type-case. Average monthly amounts. See documentation for details.
X14	HSUPPfa	Housing supplement for the two parent type-case. Average monthly amounts. See documentation for details.
X15	TCREDsi	Refundable tax credits for the single person without children. Average monthly amounts. See documentation for details.
X16	TCREDlp	Refundable tax credits for the lone parent type-case. Average monthly amounts. See documentation for details.
X17	TCREDfa	Refundable tax credits for the two parent type-case. Average monthly amounts. See documentation for details.
X18	OTHsi	Other benefits beside those above for the single person household without children. Average monthly amounts. See documentation for details.
X19	OTHlp	Other benefits beside those above for the lone parent type-case. Average monthly amounts. See documentation for details.

X20	OTHfa	Other benefits beside those above for the two-parent type-case. Average monthly amounts. See documentation for details.
X21	CSUPPlpy	Same as CSUPPlp but yearly amounts.
X22	CSUPPfafy	Same as CSUPPfa but yearly amounts.
X23	HSUPPsiy	Same as HSUPPsi but yearly amounts.
X24	HSUPPlpy	Same as HSUPPlp but yearly amounts.
X25	HSUPPfafy	Same as HSUPPfa but yearly amounts.
X26	TCREDsiy	Same as TCREDsi but yearly amounts.
X27	TCREDlpy	Same as TCREDlp but yearly amounts.
X28	TCREDfafy	Same as TCREDfa but yearly amounts.
X29	OTHsiy	Same as OTHsi but yearly amounts.
X30	OTHlpy	Same as OTHlp but yearly amounts.
X31	OTHfafy	Same as OTHfa but yearly amounts.
X32	MIPsi	Minimum income protection for the single person household without children. Average monthly amounts. The sum of SAsi, HSUPPsi, TCREDsi, and OTHsi.
X33	MIPlp	Minimum income protection for the lone parent type-case. Average monthly amounts. The sum of SAlp, CSUPPlp, HSUPPlp, TCREDlp, and OTHlp.
X34	MIPfa	Minimum income protection for the two-parent family type-case.

		Average monthly amounts. The sum of SAfa, CSUPPfa, HSUPPfa, TCREDfa, and OTHfa.
X35	MIPsiy	Same as MIPsi but yearly amounts.
X36	MIPlpy	Same as MIPlp but yearly amounts.
X37	MIPfay	Same as MIPfa but yearly amounts.
X38	MIPavey	The average of MIPsiy, MIPlpy, and MIPfay.
X39	FAIp	Family Assistance for the lone parent type-case. Same as Minimum Income Protection but less housing supplements (MIPlp-HSUPPlp). Average monthly amounts.
X40	FAfa	Family Assistance for the two-parent family type-case. Same as Minimum Income Protection but less housing supplements (MIPlp-HSUPPlp). Average monthly amounts.
X41	FAIpy	Same as FAIp but yearly amounts.
X42	FAfay	Same as FAfa but yearly amounts.
X43	FAavey	The average of FAIpy and FAfay.
X44	PPPs	Purchasing Power Parities: OECD Webpage (http://www.oecd.org/statisticsdata/0,2643,en_2649_34357_1_119656_1_1_1,00.html/) accessed 23 October 2006. For Estonia and Slovenia the Key Global Indicators (UN Common Database), The United Nations Statistics Division.
X45	PPPsconv	Same as PPPs but original series converted to reflect old currencies in EURO countries. This conversion is based on absolute PPPs reported in OECD: Economic Outlook, December 1993, Table A33.
X46	SAsiyp	Same as SAsiy but expressed in

		PPPs.
X47	SAlpypp	Same as SAlpy but expressed in PPPs.
X48	SAfaypp	Same as SAfay but expressed in PPPs.
X49	SAaveypp	Same as SAavey but expressed in PPPs.
X50	MIPsiypp	Same as MIPsiy but expressed in PPPs.
X51	MIPlpypp	Same as MIPlpy but expressed in PPPs.
X52	MIPfaypp	Same as MIPfay but expressed in PPPs.
X53	MIPaveypp	Same as MIPavey but expressed in PPPs.
X54	FAlpypp	Same as FAlpy but expressed in PPPs.
X55	FAfaypp	Same as FAfay but expressed in PPPs.
X56	FAaveypp	Same as FAavey but expressed in PPPs.
X57	CPI	Purchasing Power Parities: general indices. Source: Laborsta (International Labour Organization. Webpage (http://laborsta.ilo.org/) accessed 23 October 2006. Germany 1990 estimated on the basis of yearly changes 1991-1994.
X58	SAsiycpi	Same as SAsiy but standardized for the development of prices.
X59	SAlpycpi	Same as SAlpy but standardized for the development of prices.
X60	SAfaycpi	Same as SAfay but standardized for the development of prices.
X61	SAaveycpi	Same as SAavey but standardized for the development of prices.

X62	MIPsiycpi	Same as MIPsiy but standardized for the development of prices.
X63	MIPlpycpi	Same as MIPlpy but standardized for the development of prices.
X64	MIPfaycpi	Same as MIPfay but standardized for the development of prices.
X65	MIPaveycpi	Same as MIPavey but standardized for the development of prices.
X66	FAlpycpi	Same as FAlpy but standardized for the development of prices.
X67	FAfaycpi	Same as FAfay but standardized for the development of prices.
X68	FAaveycpi	Same as FAavey but standardized for the development of prices.
X69	WAGES	Wages and Salary. Source: OECD, Economic Outlook. Webpage (http://miranda.sourceoecd.org) accessed 23 October 2006. Germany 1990 estimated on the basis of yearly changes 1991-1994.
X70	SAsiyw	Same as SAsiy but standardized for the development of wages.
X71	SAlpyw	Same as SAlpy but standardized for the development of wages.
X72	SAfayw	Same as SAfay but standardized for the development of wages.
X73	SAaveyw	Same as SAavey but standardized for the development of wages.
X74	MIPsiyw	Same as MIPsiy but standardized for the development of wages.
X75	MIPlpyw	Same as MIPlpy but standardized for the development of wages.
X76	MIPfayw	Same as MIPfay but standardized for the development of wages.
X77	MIPaveyw	Same as MIPavey but standardized

		for the development of wages.
X78	FAlpyw	Same as FAlpy but standardized for the development of wages.
X79	FAfayw	Same as FAfay but standardized for the development of wages.
X80	FAaveyw	Same as FAavey but standardized for the development of wages.
X81	EqMeda	Equivalized median income for total population (Square Root Scale). Median income is from the Luxembourg Income Study (LIS). Years in between “LIS years” are interpolated.
X82	EqMIPsia	Equivalized Minimum Income Protection for Single Person (Square Root Scale).
X83	EqMIPlpa	Same as X82 but for Lone Parent.
X84	EqMIPfaa	Same as X82 but for Family.
X85	Adeqsia	Adequacy of Minimum Income Protection for single person ($[X82/X81]*100$). (Square Root Scale).
X86	Adeqlpa	Adequacy of Minimum Income Protection for lone parent ($[X83/X81]*100$). (Square Root Scale).
X87	Adeqfaa	Adequacy of Minimum Income Protection for family ($[X84/X81]*100$). (Square Root Scale).
X88	EqMedb	Equivalized median income for total population (Old OECD Scale). Median income is from the Luxembourg Income Study (LIS). Years in between “LIS years” are interpolated. The Old OECD Scale assigns a value of 1 to head of households, 0.5 to each child, and 0.7 to spouse.
X89	EqMIPsib	Equivalized Minimum Income

		Protection for Single Person (Old OECD Scale).
X90	EqMIPpb	Same as X82 but for Lone Parent.
X91	EqMIPfab	Same as X82 but for Family.
X92	Adeqsib	Adequacy of Minimum Income Protection for single person ($[X82/X81]*100$). (Old OECD Scale).
X93	Adeqlpb	Adequacy of Minimum Income Protection for lone parent ($[X83/X81]*100$). (Old OECD Scale).
X94	Adeqfab	Adequacy of Minimum Income Protection for family ($[X84/X81]*100$). (Old OECD Scale).
X95	EqMedc	Equivalized median income for total population (Modified OECD Scale). Median income is from the Luxembourg Income Study (LIS). Years in between “LIS years” are interpolated. The Old OECD Scale assigns a value of 1 to head of households, 0.3 to each child, and 0.5 to spouse.
X96	EqMIPsic	Equivalized Minimum Income Protection for Single Person (Modified OECD Scale).
X97	EqMIPpc	Same as X82 but for Lone Parent.
X98	EqMIPfac	Same as X82 but for Family.
X99	Adeqsic	Adequacy of Minimum Income Protection for single person ($[X82/X81]*100$). (Modified OECD Scale).
X100	Adeqlpc	Adequacy of Minimum Income Protection for lone parent ($[X83/X81]*100$). (Modified OECD Scale).
X101	Adeqfac	Adequacy of Minimum Income Protection for family ($[X84/X81]*100$). (Modified OECD Scale).
