

#### **SAMOA BUREAU OF STATISTICS**

# Information Paper 2023 Household Income & Expenditure Survey

	Descriptions	Participating Agencies / Organisations
Background	HIES is a household base survey conducted every five years, started back in 2002, 2008, 2013/14, 2018 and now the 2023.  A 10% sample is selected from the sampling frame, based on the Population Census 2021, with households in both urban and rural areas. It is part of the SBS program of major activities, and is considered a national priority, mainly because of its significance in providing statistical indicators for policy development as well as regional and Global commitments in which Samoa has signed in, and also the total amount of financial resources involved.	SBS, SPC
Objectives	HIES is a multi-purpose and multi-user survey with its multiple objectives;  Update benchmark information for the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and other national aggregates estimates  Patterns of household expenditures to adjust weights for the Consumer Price Index  Provide baseline information for poverty analysis  Conduct the Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI)  Conduct food security & nutrition-oriented analysis  Collecting sociodemographic and economic data to form policy across multiple sectors  To populate national, regional and global indicators like the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) 2.1	
Methodology	The Household Income and Expenditure survey 2023 will cover a 10% sample size, selected from a frame using the Population Census 2021, with households in both urban and rural areas.  The HIES 2023, will incorporate some changes in the operation. This includes;  • The use of Computer Assisted Program for Interviews (CAPI) to replace the papers that were used in the previous HIES	

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	<ul> <li>Field work or enumeration to commence on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2022 and will be implemented for 44 weeks of 2023.</li> <li>Whole year spread of data collection to capture festivities, seasonal fluctuations in household income, expenditure, consumption and production patterns.</li> <li>Main items collected includes;</li> <li>Household identification</li> <li>Household member roster</li> <li>Person details</li> <li>Household details</li> <li>Food recall</li> <li>Food away from home</li> <li>Partakers</li> <li>Non-food recall</li> <li>Financial inclusion</li> <li>Geographic information</li> </ul>	
Statistics Act	All information collected are kept strictly confidential as stipulated	
2015	under the "Statistical Act 2015" and will only be used for statistical	
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### What is the HIES?

HOUSEHOLD

INCOME

EXPENDITURE

SURVEY



Who we target for the survey (exclude institutions, such as schools, hospitals, government, commercial enterprises)

How much did the household earn in the last 12-months? Income can be from: Cash Home production Gifts

How much did the household spend in the last 12-months? Expenditure can be through: Cash Consumption of home production Consumption of gifts received

Only part of the population (we do not interview every household, just a subset)

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### HIES OBJECTIVE AND USE

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- Multi-purpose and multi-user survey with the objective to:
  - Update the national Gross Domestic Product (GDP) estimates
  - Patterns of household expenditures to adjust weights for the Consumer Price Index
  - Conduct poverty analysis
  - Conduct the Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI)
  - Conduct food security & nutrition-oriented analysis
  - Collecting sociodemographic and economic data to form policy across multiple sectors
  - To populate national, regional and global indicators like the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) 2.1

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### **CHANGES IN THE 2023 HIES**

- CAPI vs Paper
- Field work 44 weeks vs 16 weeks
- Number of enumerators reduced by more than 70%
- Responses are confidential and anonymous (protection of the respondent) and the names of the respondent will never be released.
- One-year of data collection to capture festivities, seasonal fluctuations in household income, expenditure, consumption and production patterns.
- More detailed questions compared to the previous HIES

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# Main questionnaire sections

- Household identification
- Household member roster
- Person details
- Household details
- Food recall
- Non-food recall
- Food away from home

- Financial inclusion
- Geographic information

# Questionnaire: Household ID

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- Each household has a Household ID
- The Household ID is linked specifically to one household
- Despite this, we still capture geographic information, including:
  - Region
  - Village
  - EA number
- We also capture information on:
  - Team ID
  - Interviewer ID
  - Whether the household is selected for HIES or not,
  - Whether the household is a primary HIES selected or a replacement, if replacement, reason for replacing the primary household

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#### Questionnaire: Household member roster

- List of all household members
  - We list by the household head first, followed by the oldest to youngest
- General demographic information, such as:
  - Sex
  - Age
  - Date of birth
  - Household head information



### Questionnaire: Person details

- General profile of each household member
- Education status and expenditure
- Health status and expenditure
- Functional difficulties
- Communication status and expenditure
- Alcohol and tobacco use and expenditure
- Other individual expenditure
- Economic activity (main and secondary) and income
- Fisheries participation, income and expenditure
- Handicraft participation, income and expenditure

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# Questionnaire: household

- Dwelling characteristics and expenditure
- Asset ownership and expenditure
- Other individual item and service expenditure
  - Home maintenance
  - Vehicles
  - Travel (international and domestic)
  - Household services and taxes
  - Financial support
  - Other
- Ceremonies expenditure
- Remittances income
- Food insecurity experience scale (FIES) and financial inclusion
- Livestock participation, income and expenditure
- Agriculture participation, income and expenditure



# Questionnaire: food recall

- At home consumption of, and expenditure on, the following food groups:
  - Grains, cereals and related
  - Meat
  - Fish and seafood
  - Dairy and oils
  - Fruit
  - Vegetables and crops
  - Beverages (non-alcoholic)
  - Snacks, candies and confectionary
  - Spices and condiments
  - Prepared meals (Takeaway meals consumed at home)

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### Questionnaire: Non-food recall

- Expenditure on:
  - Personal hygiene products
  - Cleaning products
  - Miscellaneous household items
  - Miscellaneous household services



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- Food acquired and consumed away from the household for:
  - Breakfast
  - Lunch
  - Dinner
  - Snacks
  - Water
  - Other beverages (non-alcoholic)

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