

Addressing data gaps for active ageing indicators

Overview of the country replies

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Labour market (older people's contribution through paid activities)

Indicator	Suggested variable	Possible source	Indicator is (regularly) calculated	Indicator can be calculated based on available data	Data are not available
1.1. Employment rate for the age group 55–59	Same as indicator	Labour Force Survey	12	4	
1.2. Employment rate for the age group 60–64	Same as indicator	Labour Force Survey	12	4	
1.3. Employment rate for the age group 65–69	Same as indicator	Labour Force Survey	10	5	1
1.4. Employment rate for the age group 70–74	Same as indicator	Labour Force Survey	10	5	1

Participation in society (older people's contribution through unpaid activities)

Indicator	Suggested variable	Possible source	Indicator is (regularly) calculated	Indicator can be calculated based on available data	Data are not available
2.1. Voluntary work by older adults (aged 55+)	Percentage of older population (aged 55+) providing unpaid voluntary work through the organizations (at least once a week)	Relevant survey	1	3	12
2.2. Care to children, grandchildren by older population (aged 55+)	Percentage of older population (aged 55+) who provide care to their children and grandchildren (at least once a week)	Relevant survey		5	11
2.3. Care to older adults by older population (aged 55+)	Percentage of older population (aged 55+) providing personal care to elderly or disabled relatives (at least once a week)	Relevant survey	1	3	12
2.4. Political participation of older population (aged 55+)	Percentage of older population (aged 55+) taking part in the activities or meetings of a trade union, political party or political action group, or signing petitions, including email and online petitions	Relevant survey		3	13

Independent, healthy and secure living

Indicator	Suggested variable	Possible source	Indicator is (regularly) calculated	Indicator can be calculated based on available data	Data are not available
3.1. Physical exercise for older adults (aged 55+)	Percentage of people aged 55 years and older undertaking physical exercise or sport almost every day	Relevant survey	2	4	10
3.2. Access to health and dental care (for those aged 55+)	Percentage of people aged 55 years and older who report no unmet need for medical and dental examination or treatment during the last 12 months preceding the survey	Relevant survey	1	4	11
3.3. Independent living arrangements (for those aged 75+)	Percentage of people aged 75 years and older who live in a single household alone or in a couple household	Relevant survey	5	7	4
3.4. Relative median income (for those aged 65+)	Ratio of the median equivalised disposable income of people aged 65 and above to the median equivalised disposable income of those aged below 65	Income and living conditions statistics / relevant survey		8	8

Independent, healthy and secure living (cont.)

Indicator	Suggested variable	Possible source	Indicator is (regularly) calculated	Indicator can be calculated based on available data	Data are not available
3.5. No poverty risk (for those aged 65+)	100 – Percentage of people aged 65 years and older who are at risk of poverty (using the 50 per cent of median income threshold)	Income and living conditions statistics / relevant survey	1	7	8
3.6. No severe material deprivation (for those aged 65+)	100 – Percentage of people aged 65 years and older who are severely materially deprived (having an enforced inability to afford at least 4 out of the 9 selected items)	Income and living conditions statistics / relevant survey		4	12
3.7. Physical safety (for those aged 55+)	Percentage of people aged 55 years and older who are feeling very safe or safe to walk after dark in their local area	Relevant survey	1	2	13
3.8. Lifelong learning (for those aged 55–74)	Percentage of people aged 55 to 74 who stated that they received education or training in the four weeks preceding the survey	Labour Force Survey	3	5	8

Capacity and enabling environment for active ageing

Indicator	Suggested variable	Possible source	Indicator is (regularly) calculated	Indicator can be calculated based on available data	Data are not available
4.1. Life expectancy at age 55	Same as indicator	Demographic statistics: Life Expectancy estimates	16		
4.2. Healthy life expectancy at age 55	Same as indicator	Healthy life expectancy estimates		1	15
4.3. Mental well-being (for those aged 55+)	An index that measures self-reported feelings of positive happy moods and spirits	Based on WHO ICD-10 measurement			16
4.4. Use of ICT by older adults (aged 55–74)	Share of people aged 55 to 74 using the Internet at least once a week	ICT Survey or any other relevant survey	6	3	7
4.5. Social connectedness of older people (aged 55+)	Share of people aged 55 or more that meet socially with friends, relatives or colleagues at least once a week	Relevant survey		2	14
4.6. Educational attainment of older people (aged 55+)	Percentage of older persons aged 55 to 74 with upper secondary or tertiary educational attainment	Labour Force Survey / general statistics on educational attainment by age groups	6	9	1

Suggested proxies for selected indicators

2.1. Voluntary work by older adults (aged 55+)

Belarus

Israel

Italy (subnational)

Time budget survey	Social Survey	Aspects of Daily Life (AVQ)
<p>"Time spent by older people on social activities"; "Share of older people engaged in social activities"</p>	<p>Percentage of older population (aged 55+) providing unpaid voluntary work through the organizations: less than 5 hours per month, more than 5 hours per month, or not on a regular basis);</p>	<p>Over the last 12 months have you done...</p> <p>4) unpaid voluntary activity for associations/voluntary organisations 6) unpaid voluntary activity for organisations different from voluntary organisations 8) voluntary activity for political parties 10) voluntary activity for trade unions</p>

2.2. Care to children, grandchildren by older population (aged 55+)

Belarus

Israel

Italy (subnational)

Time budget survey	Social Survey	Family and Social Subjects (FSS)
<p>"Time spent by older people on care for children under 18 years old"; "Share of older people involved in caring for children under 18 years old",</p>	<p>Percentage of older population (aged 55+) who provide care to their children and/or grandchildren, (regularly)</p>	<p>Over the last four weeks have you provided free support to people <u>(relatives or not) who do not live with you?</u></p> <hr/> <p>care to children</p> <p>Notes: - in the Italian survey the word "children" refers to your own children, to grandchildren, to nieces, to nephews and to kids in general, even if not relatives. - the time period is already specified in the question ("over the last 4 weeks") and not repeated in the items</p>

2.3. Care to older adults by older population (aged 55+)

Israel

Italy (subnational)

Social Survey	Family and Social Subjects (FSS)
<p>Percentage of older population (aged 55+) providing personal care to parents (regularly). Percentage of older population (aged 55+) providing personal care to elderly or disabled relatives (regularly)</p>	<p>Over the last four weeks have you provided free support to people <u>(relatives or not) who do not live with you?</u></p> <p>care/help to adults (to wash oneself, to dress, to eat,...)</p> <p>Notes: - the time period is already specified in the question ("over the last 4 weeks") and not repeated in the items - the selected item strictly narrows the concept of "care" down. In fact, we exclude other kinds of help/care such for example helping with bureaucracy; hospitality; chores; keeping company.</p>

2.4. Political participation of older population (aged 55+)

Italy (subnational)

Aspects of Daily Life (AVQ)
Combination of 3 different questions: A. In the last 12 months have you taken part in meetings of 2) political parties 4) trade unions B. Over the last 12 months have you...? 2) attended a political meeting 4) attended a demonstration 6) listened to a political debate (added to calculate the indicator 2012) D. Over the last 3 months have you used the Internet to... 10) express opinions on social/political issues through websites 12) vote online on social/civic/political issues
yes

3.1. Physical exercise for older adults (aged 55+)

Israel

Ukraine

Italy (subnational)

<p>Social survey</p>	<p>Sample survey of household living conditions</p>	<p>Aspects of Daily Life (AVQ)</p>
<p>Percentage of people aged 55 years and older undertaking physical exercise or sport 3 times a week</p>	<p>Share of people aged 55 and over undertaking physical exercise and sports at least once a week</p>	<p>Combination of 3 questions: A. In your free time are you playing one/more sports with continuity? B. In your free time are you playing one/more sports occasionally? C. Does it happen to you, in your free time, to do any physical exercise, such for example going for a walking (at least 2 km), swimming, cycling at least several times a year?</p> <p>"yes" to the first questions or "yes" to the second question or "yes, one or more times a week" to the third question</p>

3.2. Access to health and dental care

Russian Federation

Ukraine

Integrated survey of the living conditions of population	Sample survey of household living conditions
Share of persons aged 55 and over who received care when they last sought outpatient care at a medical institutions; Share of persons aged 55 years and over who received dental care when they last sought dental care)	Share of households which include people aged 55 and older who reported that over the past 12 months, they could not get medical help, buy medicine and medical equipment when they needed it

4.3. Mental well-being (for those aged 55+)

Israel

Turkey

Italy (subnational)

Social survey	Life satisfaction survey	Aspects of Daily Life (AVQ)
Percentage of 55+ reporting satisfaction with life	What can you say about your level of happiness when you consider your life as a whole?	<p>How much are you satisfied of your life? Evaluate your satisfaction (0 = not at all satisfied, 10 = extremely satisfied)</p> <p>Scores 8, 9, 10</p>

4.5. Social connectedness of older people (aged 55+)

Israel

Turkey

Italy (subnational)

Social survey	Time Use Survey	Aspects of Daily Life (AVQ)
Share of people aged 55 or more that meet socially or talk by phone with friends at least once a week Share of people aged 55 or more that meet socially with relatives at least once a week	The number of meetings with relatives or friends were asked for last 4 weeks.	How often socially meet with friends in you free time? every day several times a week once a week

Thank you