Measuring Severe Poverty and administrative difficulties in France
An outcome of an international participatory research

• From 2016 to 2019, ATD Fourth World and Oxford researchers conducted an international participatory research on the Hidden Dimensions of Poverty

• It was presented during an international conference at OECD in May 2019, in the presence of the Secretary General and the Director of Statistics

• The Director General of the French National Statistics Office (Insee) contributed and decided to follow up on this conference
The Hidden Dimensions of Poverty research teams
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Extreme poverty is defined as the combination of monetary poverty and severe material and social privations (dimension 1 + dimension 2)

![Diagram showing the overlap of monetary poverty and severe material poverty]

**Taux de pauvreté selon la situation de pauvreté**

- **Pauvreté monétaire à 50 %**: 7,3 %
- **Grande pauvreté**: 2,4 %
- **Privation matérielle et sociale sévère**: 7,4 %

**Champ**: France hors Mayotte, individus vivant en logement ordinaire.
**Source**: Insee, enquête Statistiques sur les ressources et conditions de vie (SRCV) 2018.
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Estimate of the number of people in severe poverty in 2018

1. Estimation du nombre de personnes en grande pauvreté en 2018

- Personnes en grande pauvreté
  - En logement ordinaire (hors Mayotte): 1,560
  - Personnes en habitation mobile: 76
  - Personnes sans abri et personnes hébergées dans des établissements pour personnes en grande difficulté sociale (1): 77
  - Mahorais: 194

- Personnes susceptibles d’être en grande pauvreté
  - Cités universitaires, internats, foyers de jeunes travailleurs, foyers de travailleurs migrants, gendarmeries, casernes, etc.: 86
  - Ehpad, établissements de soins, etc.: 79

- Autres personnes pour lesquelles les données manquent
  - Communautés religieuses, établissements pénitentiaires: 93

Estimation basse: 1,907
Estimation haute: 2,072
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Distribution of people in severe poverty in ordinary housing, by age

2. Répartition des personnes en grande pauvreté en logement ordinaire, selon l’âge et le sexe

Lecture: en 2018, les enfants de moins de 18 ans représentent 33 % de la population en grande pauvreté alors qu’ils représentent 21 % du reste de la population.

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Share of people experiencing monetary poverty and severe material and social deprivations in Europe in 2018
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In the last 12 months, has your household [have you] undertaken any of the following steps, whether successful or not? Multiple answers possible.

1. an application for a **social benefit** (family allowance, grant, activity allowance, etc.)
2. a **request for a service** (home help, job, training)
3. an application for **social housing**, a place in a crèche or a retirement home
4. a request to **obtain administrative documents** (identity papers, other...)
5. a **request** to refer to authorities in order **to exercise your rights** (administrative court, mediator, etc.)
6. an application for naturalisation or an **application for asylum**
7. an application for **recognition of disability**
8. the **declaration of your income** to the tax authorities
9. another application
10. None of these

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If you have encountered any difficulties, which ones? Several answers possible

• 1. the number of supporting documents was too large and/or they were too difficult to provide
• 2. the procedure was too difficult to understand
• 3. you did not have enough information about the procedure
• 4. the waiting time was too long
• 5. your household could not get a contact person or the contact person was not competent to answer
• 6. there was no administrative service near your home
• 7. your household did not have access to the Internet or did not know how to use the site
• 8. your household did not have [you did not have] sufficient financial means to carry out the procedure (cost of the file, cost of travel,...)
• 9. your household does not understand or does not read French sufficiently
• 10. other (specify)
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Measuring other dimensions of poverty

Likewise, it should be possible to measure

• *Social maltreatment* (stigmatization, discrimination)
• *Suffering in body, mind and heart*
• *Combat and resistance*

Thank you for your attention