Poverty Measurement During COVID: Administrative Records as Contrast and Data Source

Results 2020

November, 2021
Agenda

I. Institutional Framework of the measurement for income poverty in Colombia

II. Information collection context for the Great Integrated Household Survey (GEIH) in 2020

III. Use of administrative records for the construction of the 2020 income variable

IV. Income poverty 2020: Main results
Institutional Framework: Income poverty measurement
CONPES 150 of 2012
Official methodologies and institutional arrangements for measuring poverty in Colombia

CONPES Recommendations:

- DANE will be responsible of the production and officialization of poverty figures: income poverty and multidimensional poverty.

- With the objective of guaranteeing the transparency, comparability and methodological stability of estimates, CONPES establishes the creation of a Committee of Experts on Poverty.

- The Committee will be coordinated by DANE with the participation of National Planning Department (DNP) and Social Prosperity Department (DPS).

- DANE, DNP y and the Committee members must keep total confidentiality of the information on income and multidimensional poverty until the moment the figures are made official by DANE.
Income poverty measurement methodology
Income Poverty and Extreme Poverty

Due to the availability of updated information on Colombians' consumption patterns in the National Household Budget Survey (ENPH) 2016-2017, DANE in collaboration with the Committee of Experts on Poverty conducted a methodological update of the extreme monetary poverty and income poverty lines.

- **Outputs for the development of income and extreme poverty**
  - **Per capita income of spending unit**
    - The methodology remains unchanged in the updating process. **The source of information is the GEIH.**
  - **Income and extreme poverty lines**
    - Generation of a price deflator to update income and extreme poverty lines.
  - The Committee of Experts carried out a process of updating the methodology for calculating poverty lines for more than a year.
Income source

The added income sources are the following:

- First Activity Income
- Second Activity Income
- Income in Kind
- Income Entry of the Unemployed and the Inactive
- Interest and dividends on investments (IOF1)
- Pensions and retirements (IOF2)
- Food and household assistance (IOF3H)
- Government Allowances (IOF3I)
- Leases (IOF6)
Information Collection Context of GEIH-2020
**Lookdown measures**
- The national lockdown started.

**COVID-19**
- First COVID-19 positive-test in Colombia.

**In-person GEIH**
- During the months of January and February the survey was implemented in person.

**The urban telephone GEIH**
- The telephone collection of information started in 23 cities and A.M.
- **Reduced form:** only questions about salaries and net income.
- In rural areas and other urban areas the survey continued to be taken in-person.

**In-person GEIH**
- The in-person collection of information was reinstated
- Complete Form (including all the income modules)
- **From August to December the process is in-person**

**Income information recovery operation**
- It was implemented an income information recovery of incomes on the period march-july.

**Lockdown**
- National lockdown ended.

**Chronology of events GEIH 2020**

- **January – February 2020**
  - In-person GEIH

- **March 6th. 2020**
  - COVID-19

- **March 25th 2020**
  - Lookdown measures
  - The national lockdown started.

- **March 26th. 2020**
  - In-person GEIH

- **August 11th 2020**
  - In-person GEIH
  - The in-person collection of information was reinstated
  - Complete Form (including all the income modules)
  - From August to December the process is in-person

- **November 7th – 31st. December 2020**
  - Income information recovery operation
  - It was implemented an income information recovery of incomes on the period march-july.
  - Lockdown
  - National lockdown ended.
Enhancement of the GEIH with administrative records
Use of the GEIH survey and Administrative Records

Key notes

- ECLAC’s Statistical Division suggests using Administrative Records (RRAA) to solve possible coverage biases, given the variations that may occur due to changes in collection operations. In this regard, DANE used administrative data as a source of contrast and imputation to minimize possible coverage biases in the income recovery operation, due to the time lag in the collection of information.

- Although the GEIH does not ask for mandatory fields of type and number of identity document since 2018, the completeness and consistency (evaluated with the REBP) of these fields allows linking the survey with different datasets.

- The integration of surveys with administrative records has the potential to improve precision and accuracy in the measurement of some income sources subject to possible coverage biases, non-response biases and measurement biases.

- For the 2020 exercise, 2019 was used as a counterfactual to assess the relevance of using administrative data. Therefore for 2019 and 2020, a coverage analysis was performed, which consisted of contrasting the value observed in the survey and the population value of administrative records; and a reporting bias analysis, based on the comparison between the income observed in the common population between the survey and the administrative data.
Methodology
GEIH and Administrative Records Integration

• For the construction of the First Activity Monetary Income (IMPA), the wages and net earnings reported in GEIH were used. For the period March-July 2020, in which the form was shortened and the operation was carried out by telephone, the other incomes that make up the IMPA could be estimated thanks to the income information recovery operation. Likewise, this source allows the construction of the information of ISA, IMDI, IOF1 (interest and dividends), IE (income in kind), IOF6 (effective rent).

• For income sources IOF2 (pensions) and IOF3I (government allowances), administrative records are used to enrich and complement the information reported in the survey:
  • Pensions (IOF2): the amount of the pension table reported in the PILA is used.
  • Government Allowances (IOF3I): the monthlyized amount of total collections observed in the "portability zone" of each individual during 2020 is used.

• Taking into account the structural shock on revenues caused by the COVID-19 situation for 2020, the sample splits for revenue imputation are as follows: January-February, March-July and August-December.
## Administrative Records

### Main geographic domains and 23 cities and Metropolitan Areas

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**Source:** DANE, match GEIH – Admin. Records Aids and PILA, 2019 - 2020.
Clean and standardized integration keys: type and ID number in the data set.

Integration key quality analysis using Reference Database (RD).

Retrieval of document types for the secondary databases: cash transfers and pensions.

Data Bases pairing with GEIH-2020.

Standardize type and ID numbers between information sources

Guarantee numbers with valid fields

Treat and debug of duplicates

Cross between bases and RD

Match rate analysis

Retrieval of ID document types from records with the same names

Cross by type and number

Cross by number and validate with first name and first surname

Cross by type and number with original type of secondary base

Cross by type and number with of documents taken from RD. (Only if the previous step did not cross)


Note: The Reference Dataset (RD) is a record that contains population information with full updated names, types and ID numbers, as well as other variables.
Administrative Records Quality Management
Input Protocol

1. Preparation of Admin. Records
   - Cleaning of the variables in terms of existent invalid characters.
   - Elimination of leading zeros in the identification documents.
   - Variable enhancements.
   - Verification of formats (i.e. dates), detection of default values.

2. Homologation, standardization and coding
   - The standardization of the received administrative record is carried out to adapt it into a standard structure and to the codification of the variables according to the established reference tables.

3. Consistency Validation
   - Checking for missing data and consistency of identification variables (use of reference tables).
   - Duplicity detection and protocols per record.
   - Consistency checks on each variable, this is determined against their attributes.

4. Definition of Statistical Unit

5. Substitution and integration GEIH-Admin. Records
   - Matching of GEIH information with Admin. Records
   - GEIH-Admin Records match consistency tests
   - Substitution of information
Más Familias en Acción
GEIH and Administrative Records Match
Module M. Other income
Allowances flow of questions

During the LAST TWELVE MONTHS, did you receive money from other households, persons or institutions; money for interest, dividends, profits or severance pay?

Yes

C. Do you receive financial assistance from institutions in the country or outside the country?

Yes

C1. Was the financial assistance from government institutions?

Yes

¿Más Familias en Acción?

Yes?

When?

¿Jóvenes en Acción?

Yes?

When?

¿Colombia Mayor?

Yes?

When?

OTHER

Yes?

Which one?

How much?
### Administrative Records and Más Familias en Acción (FA) - GEIH Match

#### Summary of the Deterministic match - Households and/or holders

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<th>Observations</th>
<th>Deterministic Match</th>
<th>GEIH (Household reporting the allowance)</th>
<th>FA Admin. Records (Holders, beneficiaries)</th>
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Deterministic Match
Income Poverty Results 2020
Incidence of income poverty
Main Domains (2012-2020)

Source: DANE. Gran Encuesta Integrada de Hogares GEIH 2012-2020.
2020: match GEIH – Administrative Records, Allowances and PILA (MinSalud)
Incidence of extreme income poverty
Main Domains (2012-2020)

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