

# Financial Accounts of the Household Sector: Sources, Compilation and some Results

The Netherlands

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# To start: a few characteristics of the Dutch National (Sector) Accounts

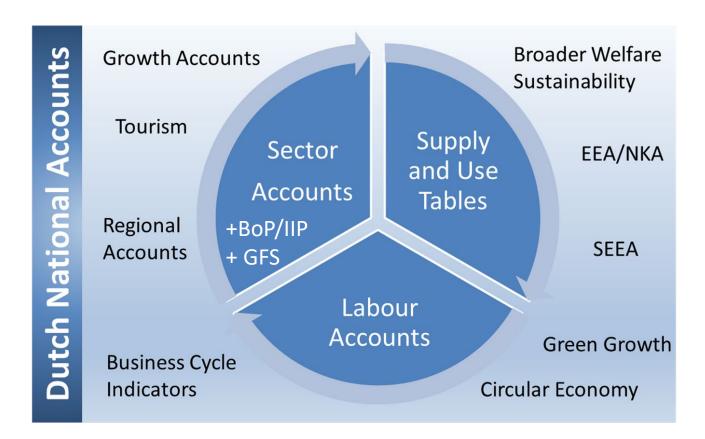


#### **Characteristics of the Dutch Financial Accounts**

- Annual and Quarterly Accounts
- Whom-to-Whom Matrices
- Vertical Consistency (checks) with other NA subsystems
- 4xQ = preliminary Annual Estimate
- Annual (benchmark) revision cycle (deviates from general update and (benchmark) revision policy Dutch National Accounts)
- Joint responsibility & production with Dutch Central Bank
- Used (amongst others) to fulfil ESA Transmission program, Macro economic Imbalance Procedure (MIP) and ECB Monetary Union Financial Accounts data requirements (MUFA)



#### The Dutch Framework for National Accounts





## Subsectors in our (internal) process

- Non-Financial Corporations (S.11)
  - New development sub sectoring
- Financial Corporations (S.12)
  - Central bank (S.121)
  - Deposit-taking corporations (S.122)
  - Money Market Funds (S.123)
  - Non-MMF investments funds (S.124)
  - Other financial intermediaries, except insurance corporations and pension funds (S.125)
  - Financial auxiliaries (S.126)
  - Captive financial institutions and money lenders (S.127)
  - Insurance corporations (S.128)
  - Pension funds (S.129)

- General Government (S.13)
  - Central government (S.1311)
  - Local government (S.1313)
  - Social security funds (S.1314)
  - More detail (11 subsectors) at the start of the compilation process
- Households (S.14)
  - Including distributional accounts
- Non-profit institutions serving households (S.15)
- Rest of the World
  - S.2D: transactions related to foreign direct investment
  - S.2E: transactions related to securities
  - S.20: other transactions



# The Household sector: past and present

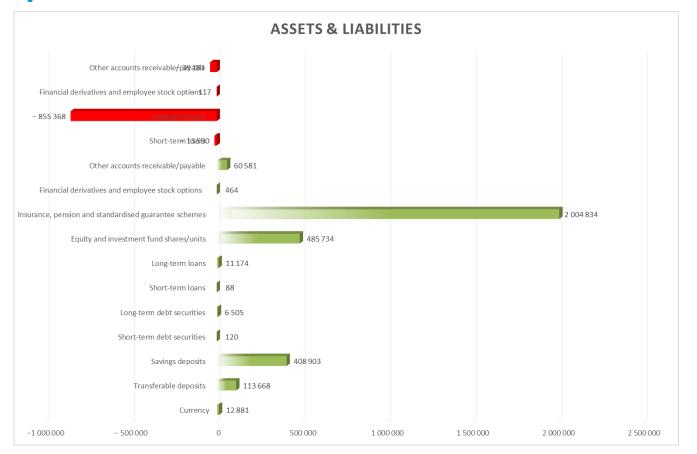


# **But first: a few characteristics (ultimo 2021)**

- Net worth 2 196 696 mln euro
- Total Asset 3 104 952mln euro
- Total Liabilities 908 256 mln euro
- Largest share of assets: Pension entitlements, savings
   & deposits
- Largest share of liabilities: Loans, more specifically Mortgages (> 90%)



#### **Composition of Household Assets and Liabilities**





#### **Non-Financial Assets**

We also record non-financial assets in the Balance Sheets of Households

- Dwellings
- Land underlying dwellings
- Other non-financial assets



# **Compilation Practices: a broad overview**



## **Compilation Practice before 2018**

- S14 Household sector had a mixed set of sources
- For the Financial Accounts counterpart information was leading most of the time (using whom-to-whom matrices)
- Information obtained from Financial Institutions (Dutch Central Bank) was basically our main source
- E.g. for Loans and Deposits the Supervisory Information for Banks. And for pension entitlement the data from Pension Funds and Insurance Companies (including micro-data obtained directly from pension funds)



#### **New Sources Administrative Data**

- Statistics Netherlands Law allows Statistics Netherlands to gain access to (and use) all administrative data collected by Dutch
- Including income and wealth tax data
- On an individual level with identifiers to allow linking with our other data sources
- Of course, respecting and upholding all relevant (EU) privacy legislation



#### Which lead to...

- The development of a new and very detailed source for our income and wealth statistics
- Resulting in a microbase which not also serves our social statistics, but also provided an unique opportunity for our national accounts
- To (finally) develop an independent estimate for the household sector in the Dutch National Accounts
- Including establishing a micro-macro link
- Taking into account and building on international developments such as a growing demand for and development of distributional accounts (OECD, ECB, ESTAT, etc)



#### As of the 2015 Benchmark revision...

- We developed an independent estimate for the household sector based on this new source
- For income, wealth and (partly) consumption (household budget survey)
- For (part of) the financial and non-financial accounts
- And with flexibility to distinguish by household characteristics
- Policy use gradually picking up, but more potential left
- Changed the way we integrated the accounts, from residual approach to "strong source of information"
- Published for the first time in 2018



#### But also allowed us to...

- Fill gaps, we had missed part of household net worth e.g. we discovered that approx. 25 billion euro of mortgages had been missed using only counterpart information
- Develop first (experimental) distributional accounts
- Contribute to pressing policy issues/question, like the (unequal) distribution of wealth in the Netherlands
- Anticipate the SNA update where distributional accounts will most probably become standard in the SNA2025 (?)



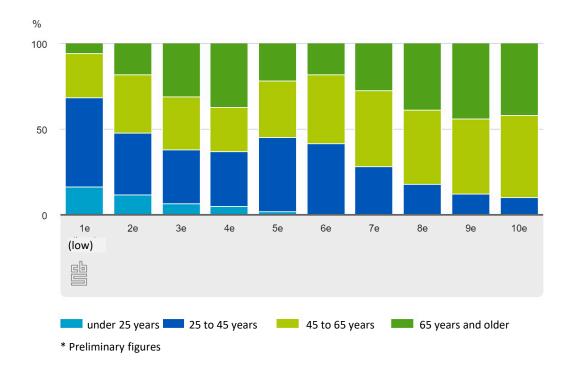
# A major achievement but certainly not perfect

- What about underreporting?
- Tax return only contain for some instruments what is reported by citizens
- Missing parts, such as wealth embodied in (small) non-listed equity and companies (intended (tax reasons) or unintended)
- Wealth in "tax havens", what is covered in our sources, but more importantly what is not?
- And how do we get the data, if possible at all?
- And what about "new instruments" like Crypto currencies? Or Household wealth "parked" in small enterprises?



# To conclude: a few results and examples showing the possibilities of our new (distributional) statistics

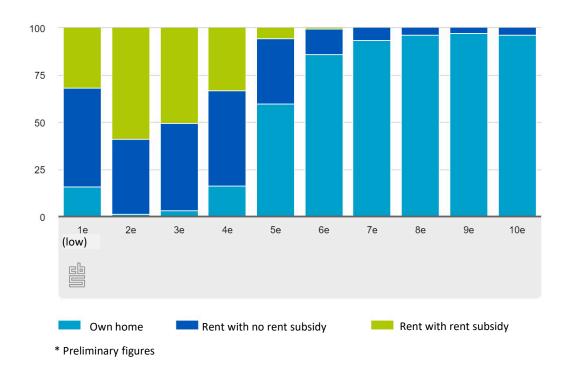




#### Age breadwinner (per 10% group)

- < 25
- 25-45
- 45-65
- 65 and older

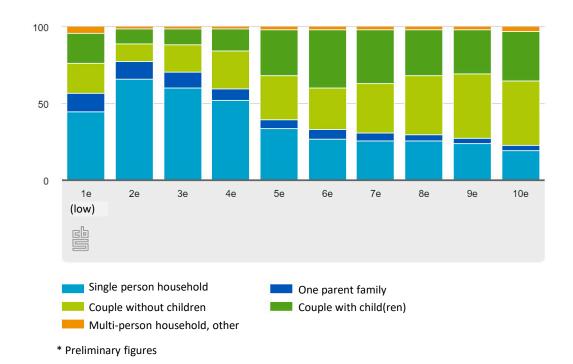




#### Home ownership (10 percent group)

- Owner occupied home
- Rent (with no rent subsidy)
- Rented (with rent subsidy)

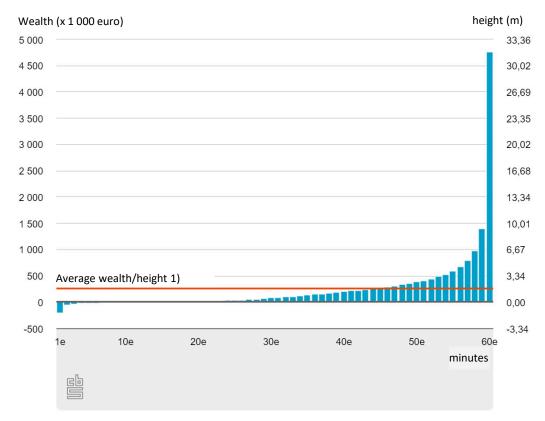




# Type of household (10 percent group)

- Single person
- One parent family
- Couple without children
- Couple with child(ren)
- Other





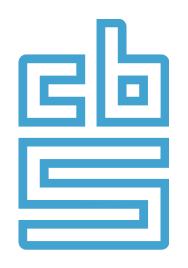
- \* Preliminary figures
- 1) Average wealth: 260.8 thousands euro. Average height: 1.74 meters

- Pen's Parade (1971)
   (the march of "dwarfs and giants")
- Average financial wealth Euro 260.800 (=1.74 meters)
- Includes house and pension entitlements
- After 45 minutes the first with an above average wealth walk by
- The real "giants" only in the last minute



# Thank you for your attention





# Facts that matter