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Microcensus – Ad-hoc module 2016
on young people on the labour market

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Executive Summary

Within the framework of the Labour Force Survey ad-hoc modules have been carried out since 1999. The ad-hoc module 2016 on “Young people on the labour market” provides comprehensive information on young people and their transition towards the labour market. In 2000 and 2009 ad-hoc modules with the same topic comprising similar questions were conducted. The ad-hoc module focuses on the educational background, the work experience during and after education and the methods applied for finding a job. The target group of the ad-hoc module 2016 consists of individuals aged 15 to 34.

For the implementing of the ad-hoc module 2016 regulations of the European Commission as well as a national regulation exist: Regulation (EU) No 318/2013 adopting the programme of ad hoc modules, covering the years 2016 to 2018 and the Regulation (EU) No 2015/459 on specifying the technical characteristics of the 2016 ad hoc module on young people on the labour market. In addition to the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/459 the Austrian Federal Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Consumer Protection legislated the regulation BGBl. II Nr. 303/2015, which includes all variables of the ad-hoc module 2016. According to § 4. (1) of this regulation, the participation in the ad-hoc module 2016 is compulsory for all respondents of the target group.

The national questionnaire follows the model questionnaire provided by Eurostat. In order to make an international comparison possible the national questionnaire is very close to the model questionnaire. The ad-hoc module 2016 comprises three sub-modules: The first sub-module is dedicated to the educational background of young people and captures information on work experience. The second sub-module deals with finding a job. The third sub-module comprises questions concerning the highest education of the parents. In addition to the model questions provided by Eurostat the Austrian Federal Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Consumer Protection requested six additional questions concerning internships after completing the education and concerning the educational level of the respondents’ parents. The Austrian Federal Ministry bears the costs for these additional questions.

The ad-hoc module 2016 is based on a subsample of the Austrian Labour Force Survey (LFS). The gross sample consisted of all persons of the first wave of the Austrian LFS aged 15–34. The interviews for the ad-hoc module 16 were conducted by professional interviewers using Computer Assisted Personal Interviewing (CAPI). The interviews were spread over all weeks of the year 2016. For the ad-hoc module 2016, 8,250 interviews were conducted.

Like for the LFS core questionnaire proxy interviews were accepted for the ad-hoc module 2016. 41.8% of the interviews were carried out by proxy (interviewing other adult members of the household).

The collected data was checked for completeness and plausibility. Subsequently, missing values due to item non-response were imputed in order to achieve complete records. Missing values and implausible values were imputed with kNN (k-nearest-neighbour) for each subsequent variable separately. Specific weights were calculated by iterative proportional fitting in order to get grossed up frequency distributions of the ad-hoc module 2016 sample which match the corresponding frequency distributions of the average of the four quarterly LFS samples in 2016.

The results of the ad-hoc module 2016 were published on 13 December 2017: http://www.statistik.at/web_de/services/publikationen/3/index.html?includePage=detailedView&sectionName=Arbeitsmarkt&pubId=753.
Figure 1: Process of data production of the Ad-hoc module 2016

1. Register of residents
2. Sampling frame of the Microcensus
3. Sampling process of the Microcensus
4. Sample for the module
5. Data collection
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| **Main legal acts** | EU: Regulation (EC) No. 459/2015
Regulation (EC) No. 318/2013
National: BGBl. II Nr. 303/2015 |
| **Most detailed regional breakdown** | Austria/NUTS 2 |
| **Availability of results** | 13 December 2017 |
| **Other** | Subsample of the Austrian microcensus |