

# Guyana - Living Standards Measurements Survey 1992

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# Sampling

## Sampling Procedure

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The LSMS survey was administered in conjunction with the third subround of the HIES. This required an additional visit by interviewers to each of the approximately 1,800 households selected in this round. Another subsequent visit was made to households with children younger than 5 years of age to collect anthropometric data. Fieldwork was carried out between January and July 1993. Data entry began in March 1993 and concluded in August 1993.

# Questionnaires

## Overview

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The LSMS questionnaire contained the following modules:

- Household Roster: The LSMS was administered approximately two weeks following the HIES. Much of the cover section of the LSMS household information was copied directly from the HIES prior to the interview. This was to minimize the possibility of a household's LSMS not being matched with its HIES. Following the cover section, the LSMS contained five modules. The "Interviewer Manual" provides detailed descriptions of all items in the survey.

- Health Module : This schedule contained items concerning the health status of all members of the household, specifically about any illness experienced during the previous 30 days: its length; the use of medical facilities for the illness; the amount spent on its treatment; the kinds and costs of medications; and the satisfaction with medical interventions. Also collected were data concerning the use of the National Insurance Scheme, preventive care, and specific items regarding pregnancy, breastfeeding and the presence of infants.

- Education Module: Information concerning the schooling of each household member over the age of three years was collected, including the level completed, type of school, years repeated, access to meals and textbooks, distance traveled, and several categories of associated expenditures. Attention should be paid to the expenditure data. Some items request monthly expenditures. Others collect annual expenditures.

- Migration Module. This section collected information about individuals who at the time of the interview had lived away from the household for more than six months. These individuals were not counted on the household roster and did not appear in HIES data. Information regarding the location of the individual, her/his reason for leaving, and whether or not contributions to the family were made. Because data on international remittances were collected in the HIES, the amount of the remittances was not recorded here. It was felt that respondents would be unwilling to answer too many questions about transfers from abroad.

- Fertility Module. This section collected information about the pregnancy, birthing, and contraceptive practices of women in the household between the ages 13 and 49. Only one member of the household was interviewed for this section. The interviewer consulted a previously prepared list of randomly ordered ID numbers and selected the first one corresponding to an eligible member of the household being interviewed. ID numbers were established when the household roster was completed using information from the HIES. The ID code was a number between 01 and 12. Selecting a number randomly avoided selection bias on the part of the interviewer.

- Anthropometry Module. During the initial LSMS interview, the interviewer indicated whether any children under the age of five years were present. For households with such children, a return visit by a team of nursing students, was made to collect data on the children.

- Anthropometric measurements gathered were standing height (taken for children between two and five years of age), recumbent length (taken lying down on children less than two years of age) and weight of pre-school age children (less than five years of age). Immunizations received, breastfeeding, other dietary and vitamin supplement data were also collected.

## Data Collection

### Data Collection Dates

Start	End	Cycle
1992	1992	N/A

### Data Collection Mode

Face-to-face [f2f]

#### DATA COLLECTION NOTES

The LSMS survey instrument was developed by the World Bank and was reviewed and modified by representatives from GBS, SIMAP, the Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Education, Guyana Agency for Health, Environment and Food, the Georgetown School of Nursing, and the Guyana Responsible Parenthood Association. Survey implementation, including the training of enumerators and interviewers in field work and data entry, was the responsibility of GBS with supervision from the World Bank.

Interviewers made at least two visits to each household. In cases in which children under the age of five were present, a third visit was made to carry out the anthropometric component. The first visit was for the purpose of completing the HIES. The second visit, usually occurring within two-weeks of the first visit, was used to correct any problems or omissions encountered during data entry of the HIES, and to administer the LSMS. After a review of each completed LSMS questionnaire by the field supervisor, it was returned to the head office in Georgetown for initial coding and data entry. Before the LSMS was returned to the field for the anthropometric visit, the first round of data entry was completed. If inconsistencies in the data were found, the enumerator was responsible for correcting the relevant portions of the questionnaire, accompanying the anthropometric visit when possible. No follow-up visits subsequent to the administration of the anthropometric module were attempted in interior regions due to prohibitive logistics and transportation costs.

# Data Processing

## Data Editing

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A data entry program was developed for the LSMS data by Sistemas Integrales in Santiago, Chile. The program consisted of a series of computer screens designed to resemble the questionnaire and was programmed to perform a number of data verification tasks automatically. These included flagging omitted, out-of-range and inconsistent responses. Those questionnaires which were identified as having inconsistent responses were returned to the field for additional data or clarification.

# Data Appraisal

No content available



## Related Materials

### Questionnaires

#### Household Income and Expenditure Survey 1992: Availability of Facilities

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Title Household Income and Expenditure Survey 1992: Availability of Facilities  
 Author(s) Bureau of Statistics  
 Country Guyana  
 Language English  
 Description This questionnaire contains information collected for the 1992 HIES availability of facilities survey.  
 Filename GUY03.pdf

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#### Household Income and Expenditure Survey 1992: Household Schedule

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Title Household Income and Expenditure Survey 1992: Household Schedule  
 Author(s) Bureau of Statistics  
 Country Guyana  
 Language English  
 Description This questionnaire contains information collected for the 1992 Household Income and Expenditure Survey (HIES 1992).  
 Filename GUY02.pdf

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#### Guyana Living Standards Measurements Survey(GLSMS) 1992-1993: Household Questionnaire

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Title Guyana Living Standards Measurements Survey(GLSMS) 1992-1993: Household Questionnaire  
 Author(s) Bureau of Statistics  
 Country Guyana  
 Language English  
 Description This questionnaire is an essential tool for using the 1992/93 GLSMS data sets. In addition to the questions, it also contains codes and skip patterns.  
 Filename GUY01.pdf

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### Technical documents

#### Guyana Living Standards Measurements Survey (GLSMS) 1992-1993: Basic Information Documentation

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Title Guyana Living Standards Measurements Survey (GLSMS) 1992-1993: Basic Information Documentation  
 Author(s) Country Operations Division II; Department III Latin America and the Caribbean Region The World Bank  
 Date 1996-07-15  
 Country Guyana  
 Language English  
 Description Describes the design of the survey and its coverage for potential users and provides general information about the general characteristics of the 1992/93 GLSMS surveys. It also discusses the data files and constructed variables.  
 Filename gy92info.pdf

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## Household Income and Expenditure Survey (HIES) 1992: Field Supervisor's Manual

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Title	Household Income and Expenditure Survey (HIES) 1992: Field Supervisor's Manual
Author(s)	Bureau of Statistics
Date	1992-05-01
Country	Guyana
Language	English
Description	This document contains the instructions to be followed by the survey supervisors in the field for the Household Income and Expenditure Survey (HIES) to which the LSMS survey was appended.
Filename	GUY04.pdf

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## Guyana Living Standards Measurements Survey (GLSMS) 1992-1993: Data Entry Manual

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Title	Guyana Living Standards Measurements Survey (GLSMS) 1992-1993: Data Entry Manual
Author(s)	Bureau of Statistics and The World Bank
Date	1993-01-01
Country	Guyana
Language	English
Description	This document contains detailed information to the data entry operators for the 1992/93 Guyana Living Standards Measurement Survey (GLSMS).
Filename	GUY07.pdf

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## Guyana Living Standards Measurements Survey (GLSMS) 1992-1993: Interviewer Manual

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Title	Guyana Living Standards Measurements Survey (GLSMS) 1992-1993: Interviewer Manual
Author(s)	Bureau of Statistics and The World Bank
Date	1993-01-01
Country	Guyana
Language	English
Description	This document contains detailed information and procedures to be followed by the interviewers who collected information for the 1992/93 GLSMS.
Filename	GUY06.pdf

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## Household Income and Expenditure Survey (HIES) 1992: Instruction Manual for Field Staff

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Title	Household Income and Expenditure Survey (HIES) 1992: Instruction Manual for Field Staff
Author(s)	Bureau of Statistics
Date	1992-05-01
Country	Guyana
Language	English
Description	This document contains detailed information and procedures to be followed by the field staff collecting information for the HIES 1992.
Filename	GUY05.pdf

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## Guyana Living Standards Measurements Survey (GLSMS) 1992-1993: Anthropometric Training Manual

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Title	Guyana Living Standards Measurements Survey (GLSMS) 1992-1993: Anthropometric Training Manual
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Author(s) Bureau of Statistics  
 Date 1993-01-01  
 Country Guyana  
 Language English  
 Description This document contains information to the anthropometrists for the 1992/93 GLSMS survey. It discusses the general instructions for conducting the anthropometric section of the 1992 GLSMS.  
 Filename GUY08.pdf

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## Other materials

### Guyana Living Standards Measurements Survey(GLSMS) 1992-1993: Means Tables

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Title Guyana Living Standards Measurements Survey(GLSMS) 1992-1993: Means Tables  
 Author(s) Poverty and Human Resources Division, The World Bank  
 Date 1995-05-16  
 Country Guyana  
 Language English  
 Description This document contains means, standard deviations, minimum and maximum values, and the number of observations for each variable in each file for the 1992/93 GLSMS.  
 Filename GUY09.pdf

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