

Introduction

This report presents household Income and consumption expenditure data for the year 2004-05. The format of the report is almost the same as of the HIES that were conducted during the years 1998-99 and 2001-02. In this report all the variables have been presented by consumption quintiles on the pattern of 2001-02. In the following chapter (Chapter 2) the main findings of the report are summarised; in chapter 3, the concepts and definitions that are used in the report are explained and in chapter 4, the sample design is outlined. The methodology of consumption quintiles is explained in Appendix-A. After that, nineteen major tables are presented.

Recent Developments in HIES

There has been some developments in HIES during the 1990s, and it is important that readers should be aware of some of these. The Household Integrated Economic Survey (HIES) has been conducted, with some breaks, since 1963. In 1990 HIES questionnaire was revised in order to address the requirements of a new system of national accounts. The four surveys of 1990-91, 1992-93, 1993-94 and 1996-97 were conducted using the revised questionnaire. In 1998-99 and 2001-02, the HIES data collection methods and questionnaire were changed to reflect the integration of the HIES with the Pakistan Integrated Household Survey (PIHS). The current round of HIES part of first round of PSLM Survey has been conducted covering 14708 households taken as sub-sample of the 77,000 households of PSLM Survey-CWIQ part. Main objective of the current HIES is to derive poverty indicators. The questionnaire used for this round is not exactly matched with the earlier rounds (1998-99 & 2001-02) of the questionnaire of HIES. However, the consumption part of this survey has been intact, exactly used in 2001-02 so that poverty indicators be worked out exactly on the same methodology used for 1998-99 and 2001-02. Income data has been obtained but in a very broad way which differ from earlier HIES format where income data used to be obtained by using detailed different types of sheets for agriculture, non-agriculture and transfer payments.

Data Collection Methods: Before merging of HIES with PIHS in 1998-99, the data of HIES surveys was collected by male enumerators using public transport where only male household members could be interviewed. From the year 1998-99 under the PIHS the income and consumption data of the HIES Survey is now collected by mobile teams of both male and female enumerators. Female enumerators in each field team interview the female household members as well as male enumerator collects the data from the male respondents.