

Assessing whether life is worthwhile (under development in SILC 2013; PlaceholderEQLS2011 (external link))

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Average response to question with approximate wording "I feel that what I do in life is worthwhile", included in EU-SILC 2013 ad hoc module on wellbeing, also in European Quality of Life Survey

Data host:

Eurofound

Unit of Measurement:

Percentage who agree or strongly agree

Link to Data:

<http://www.eurofound.europa.eu/surveys/data-visualisation/european-quality-of-li...> [2]

Description to get data:

With the placeholder data, to produce a single indicator, we recommend adding the percentage who agree and the percentage who strongly agree.

Type of Indicator source:

- [Statistical office](#) [3]

Geographical Coverage:

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Geographical Level:

- [National](#) [4]

Same/similar indicators appears in the following sets:

- [European Quality of Life Survey \(EQLS\)](#) [5]
- [Eurostat Quality of Life Indicators](#) [6]

Methodological transparency:

- [Complete methodology available](#) [7]

Temporal Coverage:

2011 to 2013

Frequency of Updates:

- [irregular](#) [8]

Link to Methodology:

[Income and living conditions \(ilc\). Reference metadata](#) [9]

Aggregation level of indicator:

- [Single](#) [10]

Data quality assesment:

- [Assessed by statistical office](#) [11]

Publishing delay:

- [1-3 years](#) [12]

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Self-assessment that what one does is worthwhile is understood as a measure of meaning and purpose, and a central element of eudaimonic wellbeing (OECD guidelines on measuring subjective well-being, 2013). Higher numbers indicate higher eudaimonic wellbeing.

Cost of accessing data:

- [free of charge](#) [13]

Potential misinterpretation: Is the number of people which are very satisfied with their own life declining, but this is decoupled from the overall happiness - e.g. because of altruistic reasons (caring for others)?

Related Indicator: [Happiness](#) [14]

Potential misinterpretation: Are good values (many people think their situation is improving) connected with increasing consumption, which might have negative environmental impacts?

Related Indicator: [Domestic material consumption per capita](#) [15]



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Links

- [1] <https://measuring-progress.eu/coll-add/nojs/1921>
- [2] http://www.eurofound.europa.eu/surveys/data-visualisation/european-quality-of-life-survey-2012?locale=EN&dataSource=3RDEQLS&media=png&width=920&question=Y11_Q29b&plot=heatMap&subset=Y11_Agecategory&subsetValue=All&answer=1--Strongly-agree
- [3] <https://measuring-progress.eu/taxonomy/term/45>
- [4] <https://measuring-progress.eu/taxonomy/term/33>
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- [9] http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/cache/metadata/en/ilc_esms.htm
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