COICOP'2013

Name: Classification of Individual Consumption by Purpose

Short name: COICOP

Legal basis (source):

• Regulation (EU) No 549/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 May 2013 on the European system of national and regional accounts in the European Union Text with EEA relevance

Implementation date (validity): 1 January 2000

History of the classification:

The Hungarian Central Statistical Office introduced the COICOP (Classification of Individual Consumption by Purpose) 1st January 2000, which was worked out by the Eurostat. It has four level decimal structure. It is an internationally harmonized nomenclature. We currently use the COICOP'2013 nomenclature.

Structure:

The COICOP has 14 divisions. The divisions 1-12 refer to household consumption, and the division 13 and 14 refer to nonprofit institutions and other in-kind social transfers.

The structure of the classification consists of four hierarchical levels which are numerically coded. Full stops between the digits indicate the different levels. The Division level is denoted by a two-digit number. The Group, Class and Sub-Class levels consists of one-digit numbers each. Sequential numbering is used at the Division and Group levels starting with 1. If a classification category is not further subdivided at the next lower hierarchical level, a zero (0) is used. Nine is used to designate residual classes or sub-classes

Short description of content:

The task of the COICOP to measure the consumption in three economic sectors: household sector (COICOP division 1-12.), non-profit institution (COICOP division 13), national budget sector. The aim of Individual Consumption by Purpose is to measure the consumption of individuals and households insulated.

COICOP is an integral part of the System of National Accounts, but it is intended also for use in several other statistical areas such as: household budget surveys and the analysis of how much household consumption goes on essentials; consumer price indices (for which it is used to establish weights); international comparisons of gross domestic product (GDP) and its component expenditures through Purchasing Power Parities (PPPs); and statistics relating to culture, sports, food and health. The COICOP classification is also used to understand and analyze expenditure related to tourism, and for the compilation of tourism statistics and Tourism Satellite Accounts.

Applications:

Currently, the COICOP'2013 nomenclature unifies the consumption systems in the Living Conditions Survey, and household consumption nomenclature of national accounts and price

index. The COICOP nomenclature used in the Living Conditions Survey is more detailed and covers several more items.

Relation to international classification: Classification of Individual Consumption by Purpose (COICOP)

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