



Istituto Nazionale di Statistica
Il Presidente

Rome, 3 December 2015

Dear Sir/Madam,

Since 1959, the Italian National Institute of Statistics (Istat) has annually carried out a labour force survey, regulated by the EC Regulation No 577/98. This survey supplies data on employment and unemployment through information collected directly from the population. The information gathered is absolutely vital to understand social and economic trends of our Country.

People answer to several questions depending on their age and experience. Employed provide answers about their work and the characteristics of their working activity. Those who do not work – retired persons, housewives, students, unemployed, etc. – should provide information about why they do not work and any previous working experiences.

Your name has been selected randomly from the list of all households residing in your Municipality. Your personal cooperation and which of your relatives will be of primary importance for the success of this survey which is part of the National Statistical Programme (code IST – 00925), that in turn comprises the whole set of statistical surveys of public interest.

For this reason, I kindly ask you to illustrate the content of this letter to your household members and to receive the interviewer representing Istat willingly.

The interviewer, provided with an identification card, will come to your dwelling during the next days to ask you and your household members some questions. The interviewer will contact you either personally or by telephone to make an appointment for the interview. If you are not contacted within 40 days after the date of the present letter, please consider yourself free from any obligation.

Istat is bound by law to perform this survey and the citizens are bound to take part in it.

The information collected is protected by statistical confidentiality and it is subject to regulation on protection of personal data. The National Statistical System could use it for further analysis, only for statistical purpose, and it will disseminate aggregated information in order to make impossible to identify persons who provided it, thus ensuring maximum privacy. Such information might also be disseminated for scientific research purposes, according to the conditions stated in art. 7 of the Code for confidential data handling within the National Statistical System and the Commission Regulation (EU) n.557/2013.

The person responsible for statistical data handling is the Central Director of Socio-economic Statistics. The Italian National Institute of Statistics – Istat Via Cesare Balbo 16 - 00184 Roma – is the subject responsible for personal data handling, and the person responsible is the Central Director mentioned above, to whom you may submit any question both to know the complete list of persons responsible both to learn about the assertion of the rights of the people concerned.

For further information, please feel free to call Istat toll-free number 800676767 from Monday to Saturday from 12:30 to 20:00 or visit the Internet website www.istat.it at the page (in Italian) <http://www.istat.it/it/supporto/per-i-rispondenti>.

We kindly remind you that information concerning the Istat organization and activities are on the website <http://www.istat.it>.

Thank you in advance for the cooperation that you and your relatives would be so kind to supply.

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STATISTICAL CONFIDENTIALITY, OBLIGATION TO ANSWER, PRIVACY AND RIGHTS OF THE PERSONS CONCERNED

- Council Regulation (EC) No 577/98 of 9 March 1998 and following amendments and integrations, on the organisation of a labour force sample survey in the Community;
- Commission Regulation (EU) No 557/2013 of 17 June 2013 implementing Regulation (EC) No 223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on European Statistics as regards access to confidential data for scientific purposes and repealing Commission Regulation (EC) No 831/2002 (G.U.U.E. 18 giugno 2013, n. L 164);
- Legislative Decree No 322/1989 of 6 September 1989, and following amendments and integrations, “Norme sul Sistema statistico nazionale e sulla riorganizzazione dell’Istituto nazionale di statistica (Regulations on the Italian National Statistical System and on the reorganization of the Italian National Institute of Statistics)” – art. 6 bis (confidential data handling), art. 7 (obligation to supply statistical data), art. 8 (statistical confidentiality), art. 9 (provisions for the protection of statistical confidentiality), art. 13 (National Statistical Programme);
- Decree of the President of the Republic No 166 of 7 September 2010, “Regolamento recante il riordino dell’Istituto nazionale di statistica (Regulation on the reorganisation of the Italian National Institute of Statistics)”;
- Legislative Decree No 196/2003 of 30 June 2003 and following amendments and integrations “Codice in materia di protezione dei dati personali (Regulation on confidential data protection)” and following amendments and integrations – art. 4 (definitions), art. 104-110 (data handling for statistical or scientific purposes);
- “Codice di deontologia e di buona condotta per i trattamenti di dati personali a scopi statistici e di ricerca scientifica effettuati nell’ambito del Sistema statistico nazionale (Deontology and ethic code for confidential data handling for statistical and scientific research purposes within the National Statistical System)” (Annex A3 of Codice in materia di protezione dei dati personali (Code on personal data protection) – legislative decree No 196/2003 of 30 June 2003);
- Decree of the President of the Republic of 24 September 2015, referring to the approval of the National Statistical Programme for the 2014-2016 period – Updated supplement 2015-2016 and of the related list of statistical surveys with the obligation to answer for private subjects (Ord. Suppl. No. 62 to the Official Gazette of 5 November 2015 – general series – No.258).