

Dear SOEP Users,

Despite this difficult time, our work at the SOEP continues almost unchanged. We have found ways to create our SOEP datasets and documentation and distribute the data through the usual channels, to launch new surveys (e.g., SOEP-CoV), and of course, to conduct and publish research with our data. Only our events have had to be cancelled: above all the SOEP Conference, which was scheduled for June 2020, and our SOEPcampus workshops. We are working to reschedule or provide alternatives for these events. In the meantime, we hope you have not suffered any severe direct or indirect negative effects of the coronavirus.

Result of the 2019 Leibniz Evaluation

The Leibniz Association Senate awarded the Socio-Economic Panel (SOEP) at DIW Berlin the rating of “excellent” for overall performance in its 2019 evaluation. The recently released evaluation report describes the SOEP as an outstanding research data infrastructure that has achieved the highest levels of recognition worldwide.

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Data Service

- **SOEP-IS data release 2018** (data 1998-2018): download links are being sent out now for the new SOEP-IS data release. Registered data users can order the data online at:
<https://www.diw.de/soeporder>
<https://www.diw.de/soepbestell>
Changes in the new data are described on our [data release website](#).
- **SOEP-Core v35**: We detected a label error in the variable *clref* in the dataset *bioage* that could be misleading when analyzing the data. The labels for values [1] and [2] should be switched. The Stata workaround to fix the problem can be found [on our website](#).
- The 2017 SOEP data have been added to both the LIS (see [LIS news](#)) and the LWS Databases (see [LWS news](#)).

Events and Activities

- [The 2020 SOEP User Conference 2020](#) (originally scheduled for July 9-10, 2020) has been postponed to early July **2021**.
- The results of the **2019 SOEP User Survey** show a high level of satisfaction with our data, but at the same time provide us with valuable information on where our service can still be improved. [Here are some details](#).
- [New BMBF Project: SOEP Survey on the Effects of the Corona Pandemic](#)

People and Papers

- [Staff and Community News](#)
- **Recently published:**
 - Journal article: [Less gendered family roles lead to greater parental life satisfaction](#)
 - DIW Weekly Report: [Real Incomes Increasing, Low-Income Rate Decreasing in Individual Age Groups](#)

Appendix

[CfP Workshop "Causality in the Social Sciences II"](#)

Stay safe and healthy!

On behalf of the whole SOEP team at DIW Berlin

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