

## COUNTRY FACT SHEET ON RBs: SPAIN

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|                            | 2009                                                                               | 2014                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2015                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2019                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Name                       | "Presupuestos familiares" (Family Reference Budgets (ES)) / Standards Budgets (UE) | Reference budgets for social participation ( <a href="#">ImPRovE project</a> )                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <a href="#">Pilot project</a> for the development of a common methodology on Reference Budgets in Europe                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | The cost of a healthy diet for families with 0-6 children in Barcelona (Spain), using the methodology of Reference Budgets                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Year of first construction | 2009                                                                               | 2014                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2015                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2019                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| State of use               | In use                                                                             | In use for cross-national research                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | In use for cross-national research                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Under preparation for publication                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Key moments                | 2009: First RBs in Spain<br>2010: Online tool with RBs as a financial support.     | 2012: Start of WP13 of the <a href="#">ImPRovE</a> project (run by CSB, Belgium).<br><br>2012 - 2014: Compiling the baskets, based on one theoretical and methodological framework for six European cities. Starting point was a common list of goods and services, that was adapted by each country partner in function of differences in institutional settings, climate, culture, and the availability and prices of goods and services.<br><br>October 2013: Collecting the prices for food budget<br><br>January 2014: Test focus group<br><br>February - March 2014: Focus group discussions<br><br>April 2014: Collecting the prices for clothing, food, health and personal hygiene. | 12/2013: start of European Reference Budgets Network <a href="#">project</a> (run by CSB & Applica, Belgium)<br><br>2014: review of guidelines & literature and expert consultations for the development of the Food Basket (domain coordinator), Personal & Health Care, and gathering information on Housing market/policies in Spain.<br><br>March 2015: Focus Groups in Madrid<br><br>April 2015: Pricing procedure for the Food and Personal & Health Care baskets.<br><br>May 2015: Final Results for the Healthy Food Basket, Personal and Health Care. | 09/2018. Start of the project<br>10/2018: review of guidelines & literature for the development of the Food Basket for babies and toddlers and update the basket for other children profiles and adults.<br>11/2018: 2 Panels with dietitians and translation into monthly food baskets<br>12/2018: 2 Focus Groups with families with children living in different socio-economic backgrounds in Barcelona.<br>01/2019: adaptations of the food basket and kitchen equipment<br>02/2019: pricing |

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|                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <p>Summer 2014:<br/>Collecting the prices for other baskets</p> <p>Autumn 2014:<br/>Calculating the full budget</p> <p>Winter 2015:<br/>Calculating the poverty line based on the reference budget</p>                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Geographical focus    | Madrid                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Barcelona                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Madrid                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Barcelona                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Data used             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Household budget data</li> <li>- Expert knowledge</li> <li>- Focus group decisions</li> </ul>                                                                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Expert knowledge</li> <li>- Other survey data</li> <li>- Focus group decisions</li> <li>- (Inter)national or regional guidelines</li> </ul>                                                                                                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Expert knowledge</li> <li>- Other survey data</li> <li>- Focus group decisions</li> <li>- (Inter)national or regional guidelines</li> </ul>                                                                                                                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Expert knowledge</li> <li>- Focus group decisions</li> <li>- National and regional guidelines</li> </ul>                                                                                                     |
| Household types       | Two employed adults and a 16 year old child; Two adults and two adolescents; couple with no children; single person household (male or female); calculation of the impact that a baby would have on a family's finances. | Adults at active age (30-50 years old) and children in primary and secondary education: (1) a single person (man/woman); (2) a couple; (3) a single woman with a child (boy, 10 years old) and (4) a couple with 2 children (one boy, 10 years old and one girl, 14 years old).              | 1) a single person household (man/woman);<br>2) a single parent household (woman) with 2 children;<br>3) Couple (man & woman), plus 2 children (boy 10 y old, primary school; girl 14y old, secondary education).                                                                                            | Adults: woman and man in active age and the following children profiles:<br>1) 0-6 months breastfeeding<br>2) 0-6 months formula milk<br>3) 6-12 months<br>4) 1-3 years<br>5) 3-5 years<br>6) 6-12 years<br>7) girl 12-18 years<br>8) boy 12-18 years |
| Institutions involved | <a href="#">ADICAE</a> .<br>Asociación de Usuarios de Bancos, Cajas y Seguros                                                                                                                                            | Six institutions involved, run by <a href="#">CSB</a> , Belgium.<br>ES: Grup de Recerca en Pedagogia, Societat i Innovació amb el suport de les TIC ( <a href="#">PSITIC</a> ), Facultat de Psicologia, Ciències de l'Educació i de l'Esport Blanquerna Universitat Ramon Llull (FPCEEB-URL) | 54 institutions involved, run by <a href="#">CSB</a> and <a href="#">Applica</a><br>ES: Grup de Recerca en Pedagogia, Societat i Innovació amb el suport de les TIC ( <a href="#">PSITIC</a> ), Facultat de Psicologia, Ciències de l'Educació i de l'Esport Blanquerna Universitat Ramon Llull (FPCEEB-URL) | Global Research on Wellbeing ( <a href="#">GRoW</a> ), School of Health Science Blanquerna Ramon Llull University (FCSB-URL) and <a href="#">PSITIC</a> (FPCEEB-URL)                                                                                  |

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| Key publications | Machado Martín, J.J. & Martínez Asenjo, A (2009). | Goedemé <i>et al.</i> (2015b); Goedemé <i>et al.</i> (2019); Carrillo <i>et al.</i> (2016a); Cussó <i>et al.</i> (2018).                                                                                                                                                            | Goedemé <i>et al.</i> (2015a); Carrillo <i>et al.</i> (2016b) | Publications not yet. Preliminary results were presented in Panel 10 Towards Resilient Nordic Welfare States. University of Helsinki, March 2019 and 2 <sup>nd</sup> EU-Reference Budgets Platform Meeting, September 2019, CSB-UA. |
| Updates          | -                                                 | 2019 (Healthy Food Basket)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | -                                                             | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Last update      | 2009                                              | 2014. However, in 2016 the ImPROvE reference budgets for Barcelona have been validated for densely populated areas in Catalonia using additional focus groups with teenagers and adults. See: Cussó, 2017. Also the Healthy Food basket has been updated in 2019 (see column 2019). | 2015                                                          | 2019                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

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