

GII Survey Report

Selection: Costa Rica.

1) Costa Rica, 1942 - 1942 (Academic - Individual, Biesanz)

Survey ID: 167

40 households

Sample Duration: 1 Month(s)

Notes: A small anthropological survey focused on class and lifestyle, but which also includes data on the income and expenditure of forty households.

Ref ID: 168

John Biesanz and Mavis Biesanz, *Costa Rican Life* (New York: Columbia University Press, 1944)

2) Costa Rica, 1948 - 1948 (Dept. de Estadísticas Sociales)

Survey ID: 168

258 households

Sample Duration: 1 Month(s)

Notes: This survey of 258 families - the first significant one in Costa Rica - was carried out by the Department of Social statistics with the intention of using it to construct a consumer price index based on data about the lives of urban working-class and middle-class households.

The investigation was carried out in September 1948 when trained investigators went to interview households on their expenditure for the previous week. Those figures were then extrapolated into monthly averages.

Data for San Jose only.

Data is presented as averaged expenditure data, not grouped by income/expenditure group, with the express function of presenting how the data was used for the purposes of constructing the consumer price index. It is therefore of limited use for analysis.

Sampling techniques were used to get a representative sample. Families were interviewed. It is not entirely clear how families were selected but a sampling method was established and followed and the report expresses success in that regard.

Selection: Costa Rica.

Ref ID: 1381

Rodrigo Bolanos, *Ingresos y Gastos de las familias de la ciudad de San Jose: Encuesta de 1949* (Jefe Seccion Publicaciones, 1960)

Income and expenses of the families of the city of San Jose: Survey 1949

Ref ID: 99

'Post-War Studies of Family Expenditures [notes]', *International Labour Review*, Vol. 74, No. 6 (1956), pp. 576-599.

3) **Costa Rica, 1958 - 1958 (Dirección General de Estadística y Censos)**

Survey ID: 1416

1,922 households

Sample Duration: 2 Month(s)

Notes: A preliminary survey for the larger 1961 survey, this investigation was partly to test methodology. It focused on San José, and was carried out in October and November 1958. The intention was to update results from the 1948 survey, and to update the consumer price index. It was taken by the Department of Social Statistics. The geographical scope of this survey is greater than the 1948 one. No restriction on type of families. 1922 families.

Random sampling was attempted. The families surveyed were 5% of the total in the San José metropolitan area and were selected by grouping households according to income then selecting 30 households from each income group to survey in more detail.

Detailed data on income distribution by household is given, with very limited data on other matters such as expenditure or breakdown of income.

Ref ID: 1456

Dirección General de Estadística y Censos, *Ingresos y gastos de las familias del área metropolitana de San José, según encuesta preliminar de 1958* (San José: Impreso en la Sección de Publicaciones, 1960)

Selection: Costa Rica.

4) **Costa Rica, 1961 - 1961 (Academic - Individual, Hugo Cespedes)**

Survey ID: 1346

482 households

Sample Duration: 3 Month(s)

Notes: An urban survey taken by the Costa Rican National statistical agency into the income distribution and living conditions in the metropolitan area of San Jose, with the aim of producing a Consumer Price Index. It took place over April, May and June 1961.

500 surveys were distributed, 483 families constitute the final sample size. No methodological explanation.

Greater area covered than in 1959.

Two questionnaires were used to collect data.

Ref ID: 1552

Victor Hugo Cespedes, Costa Rica: La Distribucion del Ingreso y el Consumo de Algunos Alimentos (Universidad de Costa Rica, 1973)

Ref ID: 1382

Ministerio de Economia y Hacienda, Encuesta de Ingresos y Gastos Familiares 1961, Indices de Precios para el Consumidor de Ingresos Medio y Bajo del Area Metropolitana de San Jose Enero a Junio de 1965 (Departamento de Estadisticas Sociales: Seccion Indices de Precios, 1965)

Survey of Family Income and Expenditure 1961

Ref ID: 1438

Direccion Central de Estadistica y Censos, Estudio Sobre los Gastos e Ingresos de las Familias del area Metropolitana de San Jose

Selection: Costa Rica.

Ref ID: 1553

C. Quintana, 'Análisis del ingreso familiar en el Área Metropolitana de San José', Thesis in the Universidad de Costa Rica (San José: UCR, 1962)

5) **Costa Rica, (circa) 1966 - 1969**

Survey ID: 1578

unknown # of households

Ref ID: 1611

Dirección General de Estadística y Censos, *Encuesta de hogares por muestreo. 1966/67-1967/1968* (San José: Dirección General de Estadística y Censos, [No Date])

Report Stats:

Selection: Costa Rica.

Surveys: 5

Reference instances: 9

Total Households: 2,702