



Interplay between Survey Design and Budget Costs

Estimation of budget is difficult because detailed budget cannot be properly estimated until the final survey plan is fixed, and the budgeting has to be done before the final survey design

Survey costs are important to determine the optimal sample size:

Minimize costs for a specified level of precision, where precision is measured in terms of the variance of the estimators of the population of interests

Aim at optimal precision for fixed costs, which means the survey needs to provide reasonably precise estimates within the constrains of a fixed budget

EA needs to plan for emergencies during survey implementation so that the budget is dynamic within agreed-upon limits



Survey Core Management Team

First task is to form the Survey Core Management Team

Responsibilities:

Preparation phase of the survey

Actual implementation

Analysis of data

Dissemination of results

Composition of the team:

Project/Survey director

Data manager

Financial manager

Etc.etc., etc.



Timeframe of the Survey

Determining the optimal timeframe:

Effect on travel costs

Effect on data quality

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Costs of the Survey

Costs of the survey include:



Survey Activities

Phase I: Survey design and preparation (planning phase)

Phase II: Survey implementation (continuing survey activities)



Strategies to Develop the Budget

Accounting categories: Personnel, transportation, equipment, consumables, other costs

Survey activities: focus is on survey activities during the different phases of the survey implementation

Use of matrix of accounting categories by survey activities

	Survey A	Survey Activities during Phase 1 (Survey Design and Preparations)					
	(number of men-days in each activity)						
Accounting Category	Preparation of	Piloting of the	Survey design		Total Days		
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	questionnaire	including pre-	preparation:				
		testing					

	Survey Activities during Phase 2 (Survey Implementation)						
	(number of men-days in each activity)						
Accounting Category	Survey implementation and fieldwork	Data input/entry/retrieval	Data processing:	Tota I Day s:			
Personnel: Core team manager Supervisors Enumerators Data clerks Analysts Drivers Consultant, Etc.							
Transport: Number of vehicles Fuel, Etc.							
Equipment: List all equipment needed for the different activities							
Consumables							
Other							
Total							

