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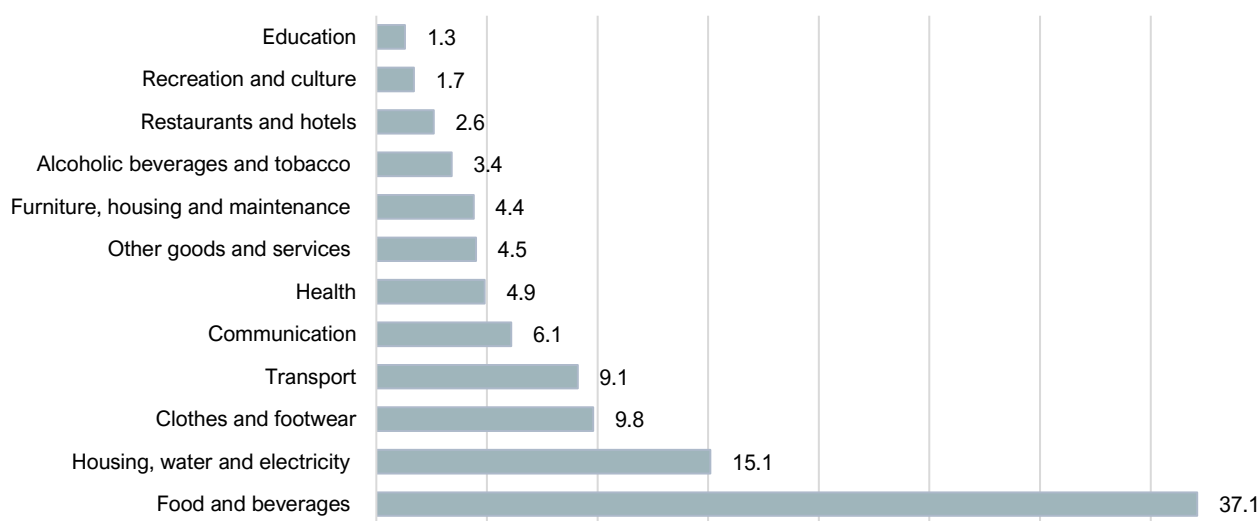
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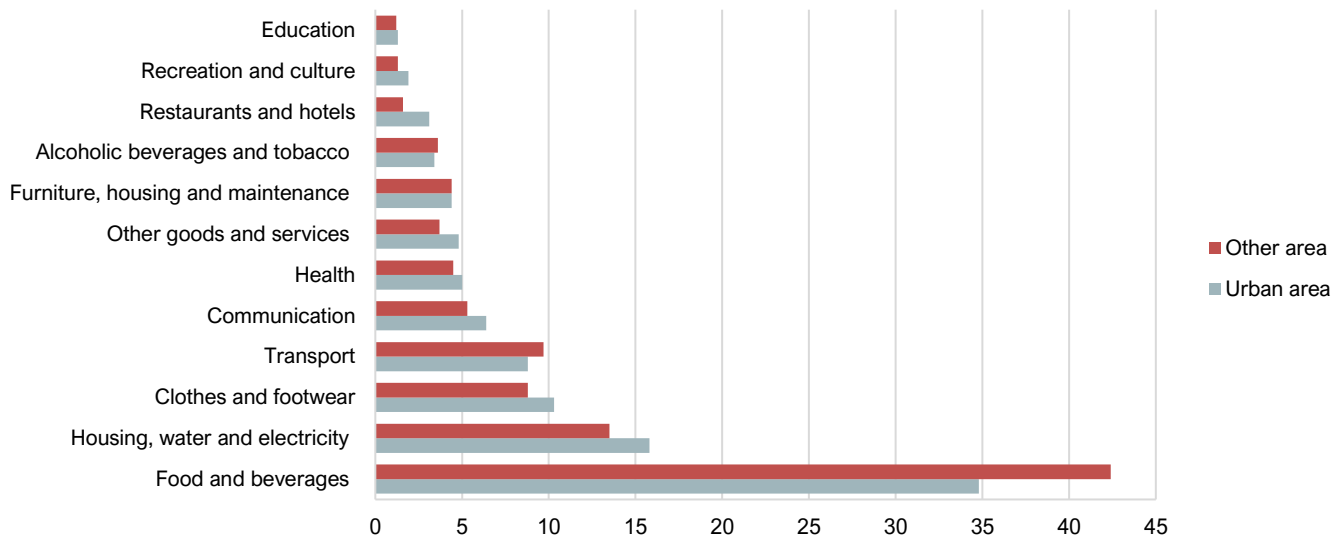
Periodicity of collecting and publishing data of the Household Budget Survey moved since 2015 from annual to multi-annual survey (it is conducted every second and third year). From 2005 to 2015, the Household Budget Survey was conducted on a regular annual basis. Due to the pandemic of the COVID-19 virus, the fieldwork on collecting data from the Household Budget Survey for 2020 has been stopped.

This release contains data received through the Household Budget Survey, which was conducted in the period from February 1, 2021 to January 31, 2022. The interviewing was done in 1 333 households on the territory of Montenegro.

The largest share in the **total personal consumption of households** at the level of Montenegro consists of expenditures for: Food and beverages (37.1%); Housing, water, electricity (15.1%). Expenditure on clothing and footwear amounted (9.8%); Transport (9.1%); Communications (6.1%); Health (4.9%); Other goods and services (4.5%); Furniture, housing and maintenance (4.4%); Alcoholic beverages and tobacco (3.4%); Restaurants and hotels (2.6%); Recreation and culture (1.7%) and Education (1.3%).

Graph 1. Structure of total personal consumption in 2021, Montenegro



Graph 2. Structure of total personal consumption in 2021, Urban and Other area**Table 1.** Personal consumption in 2021, total, monthly average, in EUR

	Montenegro	Urban area	Other area
Surveyed number of households	1 333	922	411
Estimated number of households	192 911	126 550	66 361
Estimated number of persons	619 900	399 726	220 174
Average number of members	3.2	3.2	3.3
Total personal consumption	122 080 610	83 287 556	38 793 054
Personal consumption	116 887 782	82 639 149	34 248 633
Food and beverages	40 572 966	28 318 722	12 254 244
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	3 985 654	2 723 953	1 261 701
Clothes and footwear	11 974 619	8 562 679	3 411 940
Housing, water and electricity	18 132 965	13 152 421	4 980 544
Furniture, housing and maintenance	5 412 476	3 684 862	1 727 614
Health	5 917 165	4 174 898	1 742 266
Transport	11 127 600	7 357 934	3 769 667
Communication	7 422 026	5 358 258	2 063 768
Recreation and culture	2 087 555	1 598 124	489 431
Education	1 570 682	1 107 319	463 362
Restaurants and hotels	3 231 114	2 585 317	645 797
Other goods and services	5 452 960	4 014 662	1 438 298
Personal consumption from own production	5 192 828	648 407	4 544 421
Food and beverages	4 769 353	592 246	4 177 108
Alcoholic beverages	146 674	37 097	109 577
Firewood	276 801	19 064	257 737

Table 2. Structure of personal consumption in 2021, monthly average

	Montenegro	Urban area	Other area
Total personal consumption	100.0	100.0	100.0
Personal consumption	95.8	99.2	88.2
Food and beverages	33.2	34.1	31.6
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	3.3	3.3	3.3
Clothes and footwear	9.8	10.3	8.8
Housing, water and electricity	14.9	15.8	12.8
Furniture, housing and maintenance	4.4	4.4	4.4
Health	4.9	5.0	4.5
Transport	9.1	8.8	9.7
Communication	6.1	6.4	5.3
Recreation and culture	1.7	1.9	1.3
Education	1.3	1.3	1.2
Restaurants and hotels	2.6	3.1	1.6
Other goods and services	4.5	4.8	3.7
Personal consumption from own production	4.2	0.8	11.8
Food and beverages	3.9	0.7	10.8
Alcoholic beverages	0.1	0.1	0.3
Firewood	0.2	0.0	0.7

Table 3. Permanent goods equipment in households in 2021, *Households all = 100*

	Montenegro	Urban area	Other area
Stove using solid fuel	72.0	61.7	91.7
Electric stove	96.8	97.6	95.2
Electric heater (all types)	14.4	16.7	10.0
Boiler	98.7	99.5	97.3
Refrigerator	99.7	99.8	99.5
Freezer	88.9	87.7	91.1
Washing machine	96.6	98.5	92.9
Iron	98.1	99.0	96.3
Hairdryer	95.4	97.6	91.2
Vacuum cleaner	96.7	98.7	93.0
Dish washer	47.2	53.1	35.8
Air conditioner	48.1	57.1	31.0
TV	99.0	99.1	98.6
Satellite antenna	19.8	19.6	20.3
Radio, all types	10.9	10.4	11.9
Personal computer	28.3	33.0	19.3
Connection to Internet	24.6	27.5	19.2
Camera	4.2	5.1	2.5
Telephone	25.0	28.6	18.0
Mobile telephone	97.5	97.9	96.9
Car	62.1	62.5	61.2

METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

Household budget survey (HBS) has been harmonized with International standards and recommendations of EUROSTAT, which enables international comparability of data. The survey collects data about incomes and expenditures of households, i.e. data about primary elements of personal consumption, as well as data about some important indicators of living standard (dwelling conditions, possession of permanent goods, etc.) and primary data about demographic, economical and sociological characteristics of households.

The surveying unit is a household. The term household refers to:

- a) single person living, spending and feeding individually;
- b) community of persons living, feeding and spending received income together.

The sample of the survey is two-stage stratified sample, with enumeration areas as primary and household as secondary selection units.

The survey uses the questionnaire based interview method, where the reference period for permanent goods is twelve months, for semi-durables three months, using the diary (household is running the consumption diary in the reference month).

Total personal consumption includes personal consumption of households and personal consumption from own production.

Personal consumption of households is provided through the following groups of COICOP classification: food and non-alcoholic beverages; alcoholic beverages and tobacco; footwear and clothing; housing, water, electricity (imputed rent is not included); furniture, housing and maintenance; health; transport; communications; recreation and culture; education; restaurants and hotels and other goods and services.

Personal consumption from own production includes the value of products from own production of households spent on personal consumption (food and beverages; alcoholic beverages and firewood).

In the tables in the Release, it is possible that the sums of subcategories do not match due to the rounding of numbers to one decimal place.

When using the data, state:

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More data, as well as detailed methodological notes can be found in the section: [Household Budget Survey](#)