Russian Generations and Gender Surveys

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• Sample design, response rates and attrition
• Questionnaire adaptation
• Access to the data
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## Sources of financial support of 3 waves

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|                                        | • UNFPA                                     | • Russian Academy of National Economy       |
|                                        | • Russian charitable foundation “Victoria”   |                                             |
7 years of Russian GGS - 3 waves, 5 surveys

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<th>Wave</th>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Sample Size</th>
<th>Age Range</th>
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<tr>
<td>W1</td>
<td>2004</td>
<td>N=11,261</td>
<td>18-79</td>
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<td>W2</td>
<td>2007</td>
<td>N=11,117</td>
<td>18-82</td>
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<td>W3</td>
<td>2011</td>
<td>N=11,184</td>
<td>17-87</td>
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Contextual databases: 2005-2006
Sample design

- **Multi-stage probability sample**
  - Representative at national level
  - No clusters, no quotas
  - 32 regions, 38 primary sampling units → secondary sampling units → list of dwelling units

- **Sample of dwelling units → households → (Kish procedure) respondents**

- **Russian panel is not a true panel!**
  - Quasi-panel of the same respondents living in the same dwelling-units
  - Did not followed respondents
  - No panel maintenance procedures

- **What about weights?**
  - Kish weights do not correspond to Russian household structure → when switched on – sample is less representative
  - Over-representativeness of women of middle ages, young people, men particular, - under-represented
Structure of the samples of w2 and w3 and sample attrition

Sample attrition

W1 → W2 (3 years)  
69.1% (30% lost)

W1 → W2 → W3 (7 years)  
50.1% (almost 50% lost)

W2 → W3 (4 years)  
53.4% (46.6% lost)
GGS panel: response and attrition rates vary across settlements

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<th>Location</th>
<th>Response rate RusGGS-2004</th>
<th>Kept by 2007</th>
<th>Kept by 2011 (all 3 waves)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Moscow, St.Petersburg</td>
<td>14.4%</td>
<td>45.7%</td>
<td>25.4%</td>
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<td>Vladivostok (Primorski krai)</td>
<td>29.5%</td>
<td>13.8%</td>
<td>6.7%</td>
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<td>other large cities</td>
<td>48.9%*</td>
<td>65.2%</td>
<td>42.4%</td>
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<td>towns</td>
<td>59.8%</td>
<td>70.2%</td>
<td>49.1%</td>
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<td>urban-type residence</td>
<td>70.3%</td>
<td>77.1%</td>
<td>65.6%</td>
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<td>rural</td>
<td>89.4%</td>
<td>84.6%</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>44.1%</td>
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* RR includes Primorski krai
Questionnaire adaptation

- **W1**: core questionnaire + most of optional modules, except of housing
- **W2 & W3**:  
  - no activity & education history module! (EES-2005)  
  - Reduced / changed core questionnaire  
    - Another approach to collect info about children  
    - No detailed information on Ps activities  
    - No division of housework tasks  
    - Some attitudinal questions dropped  
    - Some intentions, some satisfaction questions dropped  
  - New questions / modules  
    - Pension module (still to be closed)  
    - Population policy module  
    - Some info about dates instead of histories  
    - Big housing module
Access to the data

- W1 is opened in Russia and for the international community
- W2-W3 to be opened for Russian audience from Jan-2014 (as a part of the Higher School of Economics Sociological Archive)
- We’re ready to open it wider but – no resources to do harmonization and translation
Challenges and future

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<th>Positive changes &amp; future</th>
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<td>• Political and economic constraints</td>
<td>• Better analytical skills (young researchers)</td>
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<td>• Interest to comparative research</td>
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<td>• “Institutional” constraints: changes within the team</td>
<td>• Participation in the future waves?</td>
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<td>• Lack of interest to panel surveys</td>
<td>• Any further cooperation?</td>
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