

# Measuring Economic Welfare

This course will introduce students, researchers, and officials in state agencies to the key concepts in measuring income, expenditure, poverty and inequality. There will also be a strong practical component where participants will use survey data to undertake welfare measurement and analysis.

## Course Content:

- ☞ Introduction to the measurement of income and expenditure,
- ☞ Measuring poverty and poverty lines,
- ☞ Practical issues in measuring poverty,
- ☞ Measuring Inequality,
- ☞ Practical issues in measuring inequality,
- ☞ Asset indices as alternative measures of well-being,
- ☞ Practical issues in creating and using asset indices.

**Prerequisites:** Prerequisites: Course participants will be expected to have already acquired basic Stata skills. Don't know Stata? Have a look at our [Introduction to Stata course](#).

**Dates:** This course will run for 11 weeks online, with one 1.5 hour lecture and one 1.5 hour Stata practical per week. The course will start in the first week of August 2021.

**Mode of Delivery:** The course will be delivered online. Participants will need to have a reasonable internet connection. Sessions will be recorded, so participants will be able to review the material and course notes will be made available.

**Course Instructors:** Muna Shifa, Senior Research Officer, SALDRU and Martin Wittenberg, Professor in the School of Economics and Director of DataFirst.

**Course Fees:** The cost of the course is R 10 500.00. Partial scholarships are available to bona fide students and academics.

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