Revision to the 2012, 2013 and 2014 SILC data
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The following is an extract from Section 5.6.2 (Revisions) of the Standard Report on Methods and Quality for the 2015 Survey on Income and Living Conditions outlining the main changes. The quality report is available in full at: http://www.cso.ie/en/silc/methodology/

5.6.2.1 Revision to the 2012, 2013 and 2014 SILC data

Revised SILC results have been produced for reference years 2012 to 2014. These revisions arose following the identification of a processing error during the production of data for 2015. This processing error related to the method used to calculate Universal Social Charge (USC) and Pay Related Social Insurance (PRSI). The error resulted in disposable income being under estimated over the period (2012-2014). However, trends observed in the revised series mirror those of the previously published data. Earlier years are not affected. See Figures 5.6.1 to 5.6.5 below.

Figure 5.6.1: Revisions to Real Median Equivalised Income

Real Median Equivalised Disposable Income

Figure 5.6.2: Revisions to the At Risk of Poverty Rate

At Risk of Poverty Rate

Figure 5.6.3: Revisions to the Consistent Poverty Rate

Consistent Poverty Rate
Figure 5.6.4: Revisions to the Gini Coefficient

Gini Coefficient (%)

Figure 5.6.5: Revisions to the Quintile Share Ratio

Quintile Share Ratio