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Getting More From The Data:

Developing a more nuanced understanding
of poverty and social inclusion in Ireland

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Key issues

Good use of data is crucial to the policymaking process;
Therefore 'good data' is imperative.

We can only create evidence-based policy on what we can measure.

Which measure of poverty best allows for policymakers to target scarce resources most efficiently.

Persistent Poverty

Proportion of those in society who are living below the poverty line in the current year...

...who were also below the poverty line for two of the three preceding years.

So 3 of the last 4 years, including the current year.

Sustained exposure to poverty

Persistent Poverty

Unavailability of this data is regrettable (but we note that there are ongoing moves by the CSO to address this issue)

We believe it should be the primary basis for setting targets related to poverty, and monitoring changing poverty status.

Resources needed by the CSO to augment the sample (if required) should be granted)

Housing Cost Overburden

Ireland's is shockingly low!

We believe the result of certain aspects that skew the data somewhat.

Disaggregated by age and tenure type, please?!



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Thank You