How is it measured in Households Below Average Income?

1. The Family Resources Survey is carried out with a sample of approximately 20,000 households around the UK.

2. Income data undergoes equivalisation as a result, there is uncertainty around these figures.

3. Housing costs can be considered to be made of individuals of different ages, from different sized households.

4. The medium household income is used, the median is not affected by a few very high values.

5. Inequality measures are produced, the Gini coefficient is 100.

6. Confidence intervals show the uncertainty, a higher Gini coefficient indicates more inequality.

More information can be found at: https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/households-below-average-income-hbai--2

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