

Perceived platform economy taxes under changing EU legislation (gig economy survey) (#85433)

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1) Have any data been collected for this study already?

No, no data have been collected for this study yet.

2) What's the main question being asked or hypothesis being tested in this study?

What is the effect of communicating a monitoring regulation change on the expected supply in the platform economy. Hypothesis: communicating a regulation change negatively affects expected supply. We expect an interaction with trust in institutions: the effect is stronger for individuals with low trust in institutions.

3) Describe the key dependent variable(s) specifying how they will be measured.

Expected supply on the platforms in the coming 2 years (multiple choice: more / same / less)

4) How many and which conditions will participants be assigned to?

Two conditions: information about regulation change and no information.

5) Specify exactly which analyses you will conduct to examine the main question/hypothesis.

Non-parametric Mann Whitney U test to compare expected supply between conditions. Parametric analyses with ordered probit regressions to compare expected supply between conditions, the interaction with for trust in institutions and controlling for individual differences (e.g. average platform earnings).

6) Describe exactly how outliers will be defined and handled, and your precise rule(s) for excluding observations.

We will only use complete responses (those who reached the final feedback page). We will use response time as an exclusion criterion in our study, since it is one of the best identifiers of inattentive responding (Leiner, 2019). Specifically, we will remove participants in the lowest 5% of the completion time distribution.

7) How many observations will be collected or what will determine sample size? No need to justify decision, but be precise about exactly how the number will be determined.

The survey will be distributed to all workers of a large gig economy platform in the Netherlands (YoungOnes, approximately 15.000 workers). We do not know how many will complete the survey. The company will send out invitations, as well as a general reminder after one week.

8) Anything else you would like to pre-register? (e.g., secondary analyses, variables collected for exploratory purposes, unusual analyses planned?)

We will collect details about platform use (proportion of platform income versus total income, platform satisfaction, number of platforms registered) and demographics (gender, age, occupation, income, household size, education).