Matching between Education, Qualifications and Job

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It’s All in the Numbers
Introduction

The issue of matching between Education, Qualifications and Job is very important for labour market analysis. This issue was discussed at the last ILO conference of Labour Statisticians, 20 ICLS, in October 2018.

In Israel LFS new set of questions was added from January 2018.

One of the questions was about matching between Education, Qualifications and Job.

LFS is a “proxy” survey: a representative of household answer about himself and about other members of household. There is no evidence of “proxy” influence in this question.
In the presentation

Subjective definition

• The version of the question.

• Analysis of findings by other variables.
  (Index= the percentages of those who answer “yes” to the matching’s question)

Objective definition

• Definition

• Analysis of findings by other variables.
For all employed persons:

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Is your job matching with your education and qualifications?

1 Yes

2 No
Findings
Population groups

In 2018, 80.4% of the employed persons answered that their education matched their current job, this percentage has increased and in 2021 reached 83.6%. In 2021 only 70.3% among Arabs answered that their education matched their job, compared to 86.2% among Jews.
In total employed, there is no difference between men and women. Among Jews - the percentage of men who answered that education matched for their current job is slightly higher than women, but among Arabs, the percentage of women who answered the question in this way is higher than among men.
Findings
Age groups

There is a gap between youngers (15-24) relate to elders (25-64), in 2021, 72.2% among youngers answered that their education match current job, compared to 85% among elders.
Findings
Status at Employment

In 2021, 87.6% among employers and self-employed answered that their education match current job, higher than among employees 83.0% in 2021.
In 2021, 85.0% among usually working full time employed persons answered that their education match current job, higher than among part time employed persons 78.8% in 2021.
Findings
Industries

In 2021, in the following industries the percentage of employed persons who answered that their education matched for their current job is higher than in others: “Professional, scientific and technical activities” (92.4%), “Local, public and defense administration and social security” (91.9%), “Information and communications” (91.6%). And the lowest values (less than 70%) were in “Administrative and support service activities” and in “Accommodation and food service activities”.
In 2021, in the following occupations the percentage of employed persons who answered that their education matched for their current job is higher than in others: “Professionals” (94.0%), “Managers” (90.8%). Compare to “Elementary occupations” (57.5%).
Findings

Highest diploma received

The percentage of employed persons who answered that their education matched the current job higher with higher the level of education, among employed persons with an academic degree the percentage was 88.5% in 2021 and among those without a diploma the percentage was 74.5%.

![Bar chart showing percentage of highest diploma received for different years and education levels.](image-url)
Findings – current job tenure

In 2021, employed persons with high tenure answered that their education matched their current job more than those with less tenure (88.5% compared with 73.5%).
Findings
Want/don’t want to change current job

The percentages of employed persons that don’t want to change current work answered that their education match their job higher that those who want to change, 84.7% compared to 67.5% in 2021.
Findings
Want to change current job by look for an other job

There is no difference in the percentage of employed persons who answered that their education is matched for their current job, among employed persons who want to change their job and were looking for another job or did not look for another job.
## Alternative definition

**objective definition**

Normative approach (based on ISCO requirement by 1-digit group)

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In 2020, 62.1% of the employed persons their education matched for their work, 19.7% were over educate, and 18.3% under educated. More men than women were under educated (19.3% compare to 17.2%).
In 2020, 62.0% of the Jewish employed persons, their education matched for their work, 18.9% were over educated, and 19.1% under educated. Among Arabs – 67.9% matched education, 13.0% were under educated and 19.0% (similar to Jews) were over educated.
Elders (65+) and youngers (15-24) match less than employed persons aged 25-64 (working-age), 57.3% compared to 63.0%, youngers were more under educated than others, and elders were more over educated than others.
Match between education and job varies by occupations, although the definition of the variable is related to occupations. 81.2% of professionals were matched. 86.6% of elementary occupations were over educated.
Match between education and job varies by industries, the highest percentage of “matched” employed persons was in “Education” (72.0%) and in “Professional, scientific and technical activities” (71.5%). 35% and more of “under educated” employed persons were in “Real estate activities”, “Arts, entertainment and recreation” and “Households as employers”. 7.1% only in “Information and communications” were over educated, compare to 34.7% in “Administrative and support service activities”
Normative approach – compare between two definitions - 2020

64.8% among employed persons that answered that their education matched their job (subjective definition), “match” by the normative approach (objective definition), 15.4% over educated and 19.8% under educated.
86.0% among “match” employed persons, answered that the education and their job matched, and almost 90% among employed persons “under educated” (“objective” definition) – answered that they are matched by “subjective” definition.

33.4% among “over educated” answered that their education and job didn’t match.
Thank you for your attention!