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## CSO Work Programme

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# Growing Up in Ireland: Role of CSO

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- 2006 formal agreement to carry out GUI under Statistics Act, CSO involved in management
- 2019 Government decision
  - Transition to CSO
  - Embed GUI in the official statistical system
  - Facilitate increased use of administrative data
- 2022 Government decision - Establishment of new birth cohort
- 2023: Partnership model for GUI
  - GUI Survey (CSO) – Design, Build, Collect, Analyse, Publish (including microdata)
  - GUI Study (DCEDIY) – Research, capacity building, consultation, define future needs



# Key milestones 2023/2024

|       | Cohort 98   | Cohort 08  | Cohort 24   |
|-------|---|--|---|
| Q2 23 | Data collection commences                             | Research Needs report received                           | Questionnaire build and test  |
| Q3 23 | Admin data plan in place                              | Draft questionnaire                                      | Sampling frame in place<br>Field force in place for pilot<br>Child protection procedures in place |
| Q4 23 | End of field work                                     | Consultation and sign off on questionnaire content       | Pilot complete<br>Publicity campaign for main survey  |
| Q1 24 |   | Questionnaire build & test                               | Pilot data set delivered<br>Quality report complete   |
| Q2 24 | Clean data file to GUI RAP<br>Quality report complete | Sign off questionnaire<br>Field force in place for pilot | Sample drawn for main survey.<br>Revised questionnaire and field procedures in place.             |
| Q3 24 |   | Pilot complete<br>Quality report complete                | Data collection commences   |
| Q4 24 | Headline results                                      | Questionnaire reviewed/updated                           |   |



# Current priorities

- Cohort 98
  - 25 years old – field work in progress for Wave 5
- Cohort 08
  - Design of Wave 7 @ 17 years of age
- Cohort 24
  - Pilot for Wave 1 in Q4 2023 @ 9 months



# Cohort 98 – Actions

- Permanent field force of interviewers
- 7,800 cases for distribution
- Multi-mode (CAWI, CAPI, texts, letters, emails)
- Use of Incentives
- Media Campaign in September



# Cohort 98 - Challenges

- 550 refusals, no answer/contact = 24% of distributed sample
- Emigration - 253 cases & 65 of these have completed (26%)
- GUI W5 Q2 – 10.9% of sample
- GUI W5 pilot – 5.5% of sample
- GUI W4 (ESRI) – 0.35% of sample



# GUI data collection schedule 2023-2030

| Year | Age at interview |            |            |
|------|------------------|------------|------------|
|      | Cohort '98       | Cohort '08 | Cohort '24 |
| 2023 | 25               |            |            |
| 2024 |                  |            | <1         |
| 2025 |                  | 17         |            |
| 2026 |                  |            | 3          |
| 2027 | 29               |            |            |
| 2028 |                  | 20         | 5          |
| 2029 |                  |            |            |
| 2030 |                  |            | 7          |



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