

Living Wage Benchmark Series

Full-Fledged Anker Methodology

How does the methodology meet the IDH criteria

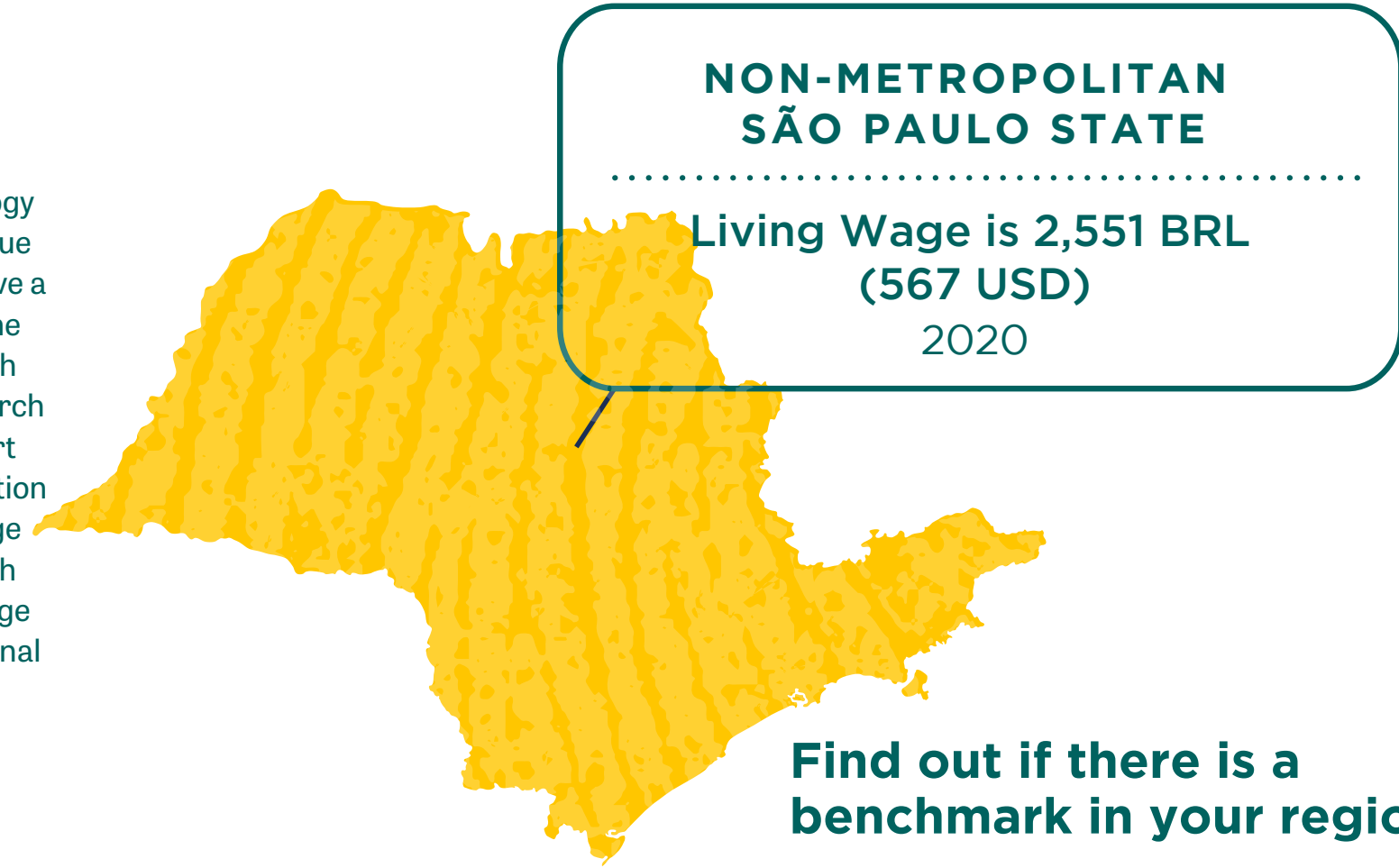
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- 1. Collecting data**
Data for local food prices, healthy housing costs, adequate health care, and education through secondary school are collected through detailed field research.
- 2. Cost of living of a typical family**
Family size based on average household size (excluding one person households and especially large or joint households), fertility rates and child mortality rates in location.
- 3. Items of cost of living**
Food and housing align with international minimum quality standards and local norms and conditions. Cost of adequate healthcare and children's education through secondary school estimated using primary and secondary data. Other expenses estimated using secondary data. Small margin added for unforeseen events and sustainability.
- 4. Working adults**
number of full-time equivalent workers in typical family determined by labor force participation rates, unemployment rates, and part-time employment rates for men and women in prime working ages in location.
- 5. Sufficient net wage**
Mandatory payroll deductions, union dues, and income tax added to the net living wage to get the (gross) living wage.
- 6. Differences in context**
Benchmarks are specific to a general location.
- 7. Conflict of interest**
No conflict of interests identified.
- 8. Transparency**
The Anker methodology and all Benchmark studies are freely available on the GLWC website.
- 9. Inflation estimation**
GLWC updates and publishes Benchmark estimates annually by adjusting for inflation and accounting for taxes.

What is the Anker Research Institute?

The Anker Research Institute (ARI), which is responsible for Anker Methodology Benchmark studies, is part of the Global Living Wage Coalition (GLWC), a unique knowledge-action partnership working to enable collaborative action to achieve a decent standard of living for working people and their families worldwide. The GLWC is organized as a partnership between two independent networks with complementary missions and work: the Anker Living Wage and Income Research Institute and the GLWC Action Network. Each Anker Benchmark study report includes a living wage estimate, a wealth of contextual information, an explanation of how the living wage Benchmark was estimated, comparisons to other wage indicators to help evaluate risk and gaps to living wage and is compatible with Anker Reference Values. Anker Benchmark reports are available free of charge on the GLWC website. Anyone interested in living wage benchmarks or additional studies should contact the GLWC or ARI.

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Methodology approach

<p>Survey Surveys of local prices for food, housing, health care, education, and transport.</p>	<p>Data Collectors Local researchers collect detailed field-level data on cost of food, housing, healthcare, and education in location.</p>	<p>Model-based Not based on model. Based on primary and secondary data.</p>	<p>Specificity Region and location</p>	<p>Publishing Data Publicly available and updated annually</p>
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