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I. INTRODUCTION

The Consumer Expenditure Survey (CE) program provides a continuous and comprehensive flow of data on the buying habits of American consumers. These data are used widely in economic research and analysis, and in support of revisions of the Consumer Price Index. To meet the needs of users, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) produces population estimates (for consumer units or CUs) of average expenditures in news releases, reports, and articles in the Monthly Labor Review. Tabulated CE data are also available on the Internet and by facsimile transmission (see Section XVI. Appendix 5). The microdata are available on CD-ROM as SAS data sets or ASCII text files.

These microdata files present detailed expenditure and income data for the Diary component of the CE for 2005. They include weekly expenditure (EXPN), annual income (DTAB) files, and imputed income files (DTAB_IMPUTE). The data in EXPN, DTAB, and DTAB_IMPUTE files are categorized by a Universal Classification Code (UCC). The advantage of the EXPN and DTAB files is that with the data classified in a standardized format, the user may perform comparative expenditure (income) analysis with relative ease. The FMLY and MEMB files present data on the characteristics and demographics of CUs and CU members. The summary level expenditure and income information on the FMLY files permits the data user to link consumer spending, by general expenditure category, and household characteristics and demographics on one set of files.

Estimates of average expenditures in 2005 from the Diary survey, integrated with data from the Interview survey, are published in *Consumer Expenditures in 2005.* A list of recent publications containing data from the CE appears at the end of this documentation.

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II. CHANGES FROM THE 2004 MICRODATA FILES

SAMPLE DESIGN CHANGE

There was a sample redesign in 2005. The sampling frame is now generated from the 2000 Census address file.

A. FMLY files

1. Variable Deletion

Variable name	Description	<u>Start</u> position	<u>Format</u>
STATE_	Flag variable for STATE	1520	CHAR(1)

B. MEMB files

No changes this year.

C. EXPN files

1. Variable Additions

Variable name	Description	<u>Start</u> position	<u>Format</u>
MEALTYPE	New variable added to collect information about type of meal	3084	CHAR(1)
MEAL_YPE		3085	CHAR(1)
VENDOR	New variable added to collect information about where food was purchased	3086	CHAR(1)
VENDOR_		3087	CHAR(1)
TYPEALC	New variable added to collect information about type of alcohol purchased	3088	CHAR(3)
TYPEALC_		3091	CHAR(1)
BEER	New variable to show whether beer was purchased as part of meal	3092	CHAR(1)
BEER_		3093	CHAR(1)
WINE	New variable to show whether wine was purchased as part of meal	3094	CHAR(1)
WINE_		3095	CHAR(1)

OTHALC	New variable to show whether other alcohol drinks were purchased as part of meal	3096	CHAR(1)
OTHALC_		3097	CHAR(1)
CLOTHAGE	New variable added to collect information about age of person whom purchase was for	3098	CHAR(1)
CLOT_AGE		3099	CHAR(1)
CLOTHSEX	New variable added to collect information about sex of person purchase was for	3100	CHAR(1)
CLOT_SEX		3101	CHAR(1)
AGE_SEX	Variable created from CLOTHAGE and CLOTHSEX	3102	CHAR(1)
AGE_SEX_		3103	CHAR(1)

2. UCC DELETIONS

UCC	TITLE
690220	CALCULATORS
310130	COLOR TV – PORTABLE/TABLE MO
310120	COLOR TV – CONSOLE
310110	BLACK & WHITE TV

3. UCC ADDITIONS

UCC	TITLE
310351	STREAMING AUDIO FILES
310352	DOWNLOADING AUDIO FILES
310241	STREAMING VIDEO FILES
310242	DOWNLOADING VIDEO FILES
600903	GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM DEVICES
310140	TELEVISIONS
690115	PERSONAL DIGITAL ASSISTANTS
310314	DIGITAL AUDIO PLAYERS
520560	GLOBAL POSITIONING SERVICES
680904	DATING SERVICES
620930	ONLINE ENTERTAINMENT SERVICES
690116	INTERNET SERVICES AWAY FROM HOME
610140	STAMP AND COIN COLLECTING

4. CONTENT CHANGES FOR EXISTING UCCS

UCC	TITLE	REASON
690110	COMPUTER, COMP HRDWR NON	Includes expenditures for blank digital
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	BUS USE	media and digital media centers.
480212	VEHICLE PRODUCTS	Now includes expenses for services as well as products.
520541	TOLLS	Now includes expenses for electronic toll passes
310340	RECORDS, CDS, AUDIO TAPES	Changed title to remove obsolete references. Changed from "RECORDS TAPES NEEDLES STYLI CLUBS" to "RECORDS, CDS, AUDIO TAPES"
340210	BABYSITTING	Now includes expenses for nanny services
520511	AUTO RENTAL	Now includes expenses for car sharing services
270310	CABLE/SATELLITE/COM ANTENNA SERV	Now includes expenses for satellite radio services
690230	TYPWRIT/OTH OFF MACH NON- BUS USE	Now includes expenses for calculators
480214	VEHICLE AUDIO EQUIPMENT	Change title to remove references to excluding labor costs.
620330	FILM PROCESSING	New descriptions were added to collect expenses for digital film processing.
340510	MOVING, STORAGE, FREIGHT	Changed description and title to remove reference to EXPRESS
310230	VIDEO GAME HARDWARE/SOFTWARE	Now includes descriptions for hand held computer games, such GAMEBOY and Sony PSP.
610110	TOYS GAMES ARTS CRAFTS TRICYCLES	Removed reference to stamp and coin collecting, which are collecting in their own UCC now.

D. DTAB files

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No changes this year

III. FILE INFORMATION

The microdata on the CD-ROM are available as SAS data sets or ASCII text files. The 2005 Diary release contains five sets of data files (FMLY, MEMB, EXPN, DTAB, DTAB_IMPUTE) and three processing files. The FMLY, MEMB, EXPN, DTAB, and DTAB_IMPUTE files are organized by the quarter of the calendar year in which the data were collected. There are four quarterly data sets for each of these files. The FMLY files contain CU characteristics, income, and summary level expenditures; the MEMB files contain member characteristics and income data; the EXPN files contain detailed weekly expenditures at the UCC level; the DTAB files contains the CU's reported income values or the mean of the five imputed income values in the multiple imputation method; and the DTAB_IMPUTE files contain the five imputed income values.

The three processing files enhance computer processing and tabulation of data, and provide descriptive information on item codes. The three processing files are: an aggregation scheme file used in the published consumer expenditure tables (DSTUB), a UCC file that contains UCCs and their abbreviated titles, identifying the expenditure, income, or demographic item represented by each UCC, and a sample program file that contains the computer program used in Section VII.A. SAMPLE PROGRAM of the documentation. The processing files are further explained in Section III.E.5. PROCESSING FILES.

In addition to these processing files, there is a "User's Guide to Income Imputation in the CE", which includes information on how to appropriately use the imputed income data.

Note that the variable NEWID, the CU's identification number, is the common variable among files by which matching is done.

Since space in this documentation prohibits the explanation of all information in the EXPN files, we strongly suggest the user refer to the questionnaire. The CAPI questionnaire is available on the Consumer Expenditure Survey webpage: <u>http://www.bls.gov/cex/#forms</u>. A list of the 50 EXPN file names, including the Questionnaire sections to which they relate, follows.

A. DATA SET NAMES

The file naming convention in the ASCII subfolder is as follows: (where "X" references the designated drive for your CD)

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(Diary FMLY file for first quarter, 2005)
\DIARY05\FMLYD051.txt
\DIARY05\MEMBD051.txt
                        (Diary MEMB file for first quarter, 2005)
\DIARY05\EXPND051.txt (Diary EXPN file for first quarter, 2005)
\DIARY05\DTABD051.txt
                        (Diary DTAB file for first quarter, 2005)
\DIARY05\DTABD IMPUTED051.txt (Diary DTABD IMPUTE file for, 2005 Q1)
\DIARY05\FMLYD052.txt
                        (etc.)
\DIARY05\MEMBD052.txt
\DIARY05\EXPND052.txt
\DIARY05\DTABD052.txt
\DIARY05\DTABD IMPUTED052.txt
\DIARY05\FMLYD053.txt
\DIARY05\MEMBD053.txt
\DIARY05\EXPND053.txt
\DIARY05\DTABD053.txt
\DIARY05\DTABD IMPUTED053.txt
\DIARY05\FMLYD054.txt
\DIARY05\MEMBD054.txt
\DIARY05\EXPND054.txt
\DIARY05\DTABD054.txt
\DIARY05\DTABD IMPUTED053.txt
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\DIARY05\UCCD05.txt

The file naming convention in the SAS subfolder is as follows:

\DIARY05\FMLD051.sas7bdat (Diary FMLY file for first quarter, 2005) \DIARY05\MEMD051.sas7bdat (Diary MEMB file for first quarter, 2005) (Diary EXPN file for first quarter, 2005) \DIARY05\EXPD051.sas7bdat \DIARY05\DTBD051.sas7bdat (Diary DTAB file for first quarter, 2005) \DIARY05\DTBD IMPUTED051.sas7bdat (Diary DTAB IMPUTE file for, 2005 Q1) \DIARY05\FMLD052.sas7bdat \DIARY05\MEMD052.sas7bdat \DIARY05\EXPD052.sas7bdat \DIARY05\DTBD052.sas7bdat \DIARY05\DTBD IMPUTED052.sas7bdat \DIARY05\FMLD053.sas7bdat \DIARY05\MEMD053.sas7bdat \DIARY05\EXPD053.sas7bdat \DIARY05\DTBD053.sas7bdat \DIARY05\DTBD IMPUTED053.sas7bdat \DIARY05\FMLD054.sas7bdat \DIARY05\MEMD054.sas7bdat \DIARY05\EXPD054.sas7bdat \DIARY05\DTBD054.sas7bdat \DIARY05\DTBD IMPUTED054.sas7bdat \DIARY05\UCCD05.txt

B. RECORD COUNTS AND LOGICAL RECORD LENGTHS PER QUARTER

The following are number of records and the logical record lengths (LRECL) in each data set:

ASCII data set	SAS data set	<u>2005</u> <u>LRECL</u>	<u>2005</u> <u>Record</u>
			<u>Count</u>
FMLYD051.txt	FMLD051.sas7bdat	3604	3083
MEMBD051.txt	MEMD051.sas7bdat	9090	773
EXPND051.txt	EXPD051.sas7bdat	147840	40
DTABD051.txt	DTBD051.sas7bdat	63234	28
DTABD IMPUTED051.txt	DTBD IMPUTED051.sas7bdat	96691	29
FMLYD052.txt	FMLD052.sas7bdat	3838	3083
MEMBD052.txt	MEMD052.sas7bdat	9685	773
EXPND052.txt	EXPD052.sas7bdat	149484	40
DTABD052.txt	DTBD052.sas7bdat	67157	28
DTABD IMPUTED052.txt	DTBD IMPUTED052.sas7bdat	101931	29
FMLYD053.txt	FMLD053.sas7bdat	3834	3083
MEMBD053.txt	MEMD053.sas7bdat	9662	773
EXPND053.txt	EXPD053.sas7bdat	147434	40
DTABD053.txt	DTBD053.sas7bdat	66097	28
DTABD IMPUTED053.txt	DTBD IMPUTED053.sas7bdat	99926	29
FMLYD054.txt	FMLD054.sas7bdat	3850	3083
MEMBD054.txt	MEMD054.sas7bdat	9489	773
EXPND054.txt	EXPD054.sas7bdat	154512	40
DTABD054.txt	DTBD054.sas7bdat	66302	28
DTABD_IMPUTED054.txt	DTBD_IMPUTED044.sas7bdat	100565	29

C. DATA FLAGS:

Data fields on the FMLY and MEMB files are explained by flag variables following the data field. The names of the flag variables are derived from the names of the data fields they reference. In general the rule is to add an underscore to the last position of the data field name, for example WAGEX becomes WAGEX_. However, if the data field name is eight characters in length, then the fifth position is replaced with an underscore. If this fifth position is already an underscore, then the fifth position is changed to a zero, so that PENSIONX becomes PENS_ONX, EDUC_REF becomes EDUC0REF.

The flag values are defined as follows:

A flag value of "A" indicates a valid blank; that is, a blank field where a response is not anticipated.

A flag value of "B" indicates a blank resulting from an invalid nonresponse; that is, a nonresponse that is not consistent with other data reported by the CU.

A flag value of "C" refers to a blank resulting from a "don't know", refusal, or other type of nonresponse.

A flag value of "D" indicates that the data field contains a valid or good data value.

A flag value of "T" indicates topcoding has been applied to the data field.

Some Primary Sampling Units (PSUs) in some states are given "false" STATE codes for nondisclosure reasons. See Section IV.A.CU CHARACTERISTICS AND INCOME FILE (FMLY) on topcoding of CU characteristics and income for more detail.

D. INCOME IMPUTATION

Starting in 2004, the CE has implemented multiple imputation of income data. Imputation allows income values to be estimated when they are not reported. Many income variables and other income related variables will be imputed using a multiple imputation process. These imputed income values will be included in the FMLY, MEMB, DTAB, and DTAB_IMPUTE files. The multiple imputation process derives five imputation values, and a mean imputation value, per selected income variable. More information on the imputation process and how to appropriately use the data are found in the document "User's guide to Income Imputation in the CE".

In the public-use microdata, not all of the imputed income variables will contain the derived imputation values. For some income variables, the five derived imputations are excluded and only the mean of those imputations is available. For these variables, there are 3 associated income variables in the FMLY and MEMB files (INCOMEM, INCOMEM_, and INCOMEI). For all other imputed income variables, there are 7 associated variables in the FMLY and MEMB files:

INCOME1 - the first imputed income value or the reported income value, if non-missing INCOME2 - the second imputed income value or the reported income value, if non-missing INCOME3 - the third imputed income value or the reported income value, if non-missing INCOME4 - the fourth imputed income value or the reported income value, if non-missing INCOME5 - the fifth imputed income value or the reported income value, if non-missing INCOME5 - the fifth imputed income value or the reported income value, if non-missing INCOMEM - the mean of the five imputed income values INCOMEM_ - the flag variable for the imputed variable (see section III.C. Data Flags) INCOMEI - the imputation indicator

Income variables that have imputed values as components (ex: FINCBEFM) will also have 5 imputed values and a mean based on each of the imputed components.

The imputation indicator variable is coded as follows:

Value	Description
'100'	No multiple imputation - valid value, or valid blank
'201'	Multiple imputation due to invalid blank only
'301'	Multiple imputation due to bracketing only
'501'	Multiple imputation due to conversion of a valid blank to an invalid blank (occurs only when initial values for all sources of income for the CU were valid blanks)

The DTAB file will include income UCCs mapped from the INCOMEM variable in the FMLY files. The DTAB_IMPUTE file will include each of these UCCs, including the variable IMPNUM to indicate the imputation number 1 - 5.

E. FILE NOTATION

Every record from each data file includes the variable NEWID, the CU's unique identification number, which can be used to link records of one CU from several files.

Data fields for variables on the microdata files have either numeric or character values. The format column in the detailed variable descriptions (SECTION III.F. DETAILED VARIABLE DESCRIPTIONS) distinguishes whether a variable is numeric (NUM) or character (CHAR) and shows the number of field positions the variable occupies. Variables that include decimal points are formatted as NUM(t,r) where t is the total number of positions occupied, and r is the number of places to the right of the decimal.

In addition to format, these detailed listings give an item description, questionnaire source, identification of codes where applicable, and start position for each variable. The questionnaire source, which identifies where the data for that variable is collected on the characteristics questionnaire, is listed beneath the variable description and is formatted "S04B 2b", which denotes Section 4, Part B, Question 2b of the characteristics questionnaire.

A star (*) is shown in front of new variables, those which have changed in format or definition, and those which have been deleted. Variables whose format has expanded are moved to the end of the file, and their original positions are left blank. New variables are added to the end of the files, after variables whose format has changed. The positions of deleted variables are left blank.

Some variables require special notation. The following notation is used throughout the documentation for all files:

*D(Yxxq) identifies a variable that is deleted as of the quarterly file indicated. The year and quarter are identified by the 'xx' and 'q' respectively. For example, the notation *D(Y051) indicates the variable is deleted starting with the data file of the first quarter of 2005.

*N(Yxxq) identifies a variable that is added as of the quarterly file indicated. The year and quarter are identified by the 'xx' and 'q' for new variables in the same way as for deleted variables.

*L indicates that the variable can contain negative values.

F. DETAILED VARIABLE DESCRIPTIONS

1. CONSUMER UNIT (CU) CHARACTERISTICS AND INCOME FILE (FMLY)

The "FMLY" file, also referred to as the "Consumer Unit Characteristics and Income" file, contains CU characteristics, CU income, and characteristics and earnings of the reference person and of the spouse. The file includes weights needed to calculate population estimates and variances. (See Sections V. ESTIMATION PROCEDURES and VI. RELIABILITY STATEMENT)

Summary expenditure variables in this file can be combined to derive weekly estimates for broad consumption categories. Demographic characteristics, such as family size, refer to the CU status on the date of the interview. Income variables contain annual values, covering the 12 months prior to the date of the interview. When there is a valid nonresponse, or where nonresponse occurs and there is no imputation, there will be missing values. The type of nonresponse is explained by associated data flag variables described in Section III.C. DATA FLAGS.

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a. CU AND DIARY IDENTIFIERS

VARIABLE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	START POSITION	FORMAT
NEWID	CU identification number. Digits 1-7 (CU sequence number, 1 through 9999999) uniquely identify the CU. Digit 8 is the week number, 1 or 2	1	NUM(8)
	BLS derived		
CUID	CU sequence number which uniquely identifies CUs (Digits 1-7 of NEWID)	1569	NUM(7)
HH_CU_Q	Count of CUs in this household	1507	NUM(2)
	BLS derived		
HH_CU_Q_		1509	CHAR(1)
HHID	Identifier for household with more than one CU. Household with only one CU will be set to missing.	1510	NUM(3)
	BLS derived		
HHID_		1513	CHAR(1)
WEEKI	Week of the Diary	656	CHAR(1)
	CODED 1 First week Diary 2 Second week Diary		
	Census derived		
WEEKI_		657	CHAR(1)
WEEKN	Number of Diary weeks surveyed, 1 or 2	658	NUM(1)
	BLS derived		

STRTDAY	Diary start date - date	625	CHAR(2)
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STRTMNTH	Diary start date - month	627	CHAR(2)
	Cover 19		
STRTYEAR	Diary start date - year	629	CHAR(4)
	Cover 19		
PICKCODE	Description/code change for PICKCODE: Pick-up Code 201 Interview 217 Interview – Temporarily absent (counted as type B, in scope for BLS)	2869	CHAR(3)

b. <u>CU CHARACTERISTICS</u>

VARIABLE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	START POSITION	FORMAT
REGION	Region CODED 1 Northeast 2 Midwest 3 South 4 West	580	CHAR(1)
	BLS derived		
REGION_		581	CHAR(1)
BLS_URBN	Urban/Rural CODED 1 Urban 2 Rural	42	CHAR(1)
	BLS derived		
POPSIZE	Population size of the PSU CODED 1 More than 4 million 2 1.20-4 million 3 0.33-1.19 million 4 125 - 329.9 thousand 5 Less than 125 thousand	564	CHAR(1)
	BLS derived		
SMSASTAT	Does CU reside inside a Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA)? CODED 1 Yes 2 No	606	CHAR(1)
	BLS derived		

STATE State identifier (see Section IV.A. and Section X.D. for important 1518 CHAR(2) information)

^{RR} 01	Alabama	^R 28	Mississippi
02	Alaska	29	Missouri
04	Arizona	*30	Montana
*05	Arkansas	31	Nebraska
^{RR} **06	California	RR32	Nevada
**08	Colorado	33	New Hampshire
09	Connecticut	34	New Jersey
10	Delaware	**36	New York
11	District of Columbia	^{RR} **37	North Carolina
12	Florida	^{RR} **39	Ohio
^{RR} **13	Georgia	40	Oklahoma
15	Hawaii	^{RR} **41	Oregon
16	Idaho	42	Pennsylvania
<u>*</u> *17	Illinois	44	Rhode Island
^{RR} 18	Indiana	45	South Carolina
**20	Kansas	*46	South Dakota
^{RR} 21	Kentucky	^{RR} **47	Tennessee
22	Louisiana	^{RR} **48	Texas
**23	Maine	49	Utah
24	Maryland	^{RR} 51	Virginia
25	Massachusetts	53	Washington
^{RR} 26	Michigan	RR54	West Virginia
^{RR} 27	Minnesota	^{RR} **55	Wisconsin

- * indicates that the STATE code has been suppressed for all sampled CUs in that state.
- ** indicates that the STATE code has been suppressed for some sampled CUs in that state.
- ^R indicates that either all observations from this state have been recoded or all strata¹ of observations from this state include "recodes" from other states.
- ^{RR} indicates that either some observations from this state have been re-coded or at least one stratum¹ of observations from this state includes "re-codes" from other states.
- ^{R*} indicates that the STATE code has been suppressed for some sampled CUs in that state and, either STATE has been re-coded or the state includes "re-codes" from other states in all strata¹.
- ^{RR**} indicates that the STATE code has been suppressed for some sampled CUs in that state and, either STATE has been re-coded or the state includes "re-codes" from other states in at least one stratum¹.
- ¹ A STATE stratum is a unique POPSIZE and BLS_URBN combination.

States not listed are not in the CE sample.

Census derived

*STATE_	D(051)	1520	CHAR(1)
CUTENURE	Housing tenure CODED 1 Owned with mortgage	43	CHAR(1)

	 2 Owned without mortgage 3 Owned mortgage not reported 4 Rented 5 Occupied without payment of cash rent 6 Student housing 		
	BLS derived		
CUTE_URE		44	CHAR(1)
FAM_SIZE	Number of members in CU	78	NUM(2)
	BLS derived		
FAM_IZE		80	CHAR(1)
PERSLT18	Number of children less than 18 in CU	544	NUM(2)
	BLS derived		
PERS_T18		546	CHAR(1)
PERSOT64	Number of persons over 64 in CU	547	NUM(2)
	BLS derived		
PERS_T64		549	CHAR(1)
CHILDAGE	Age of children of reference person CODED 0 No children 1 All children less than 6 2 Oldest child between 6 and 11 and at least one child less than 6 3 All children between 6 and 11 4 Oldest child between 12 and 17 and at least one child less than 12 5 All children between 12 and 17 6 Oldest child greater than 17 and at least one child less than 17 7 All children greater than 17	1514	CHAR(1)
CHIL_AGE		1515	CHAR(1)
FAM_TYPE	 CU type is based on relationship of members to reference person. "Own" children include blood-related sons and daughters, step children and adopted children. CODED Husband and wife (H/W) only H/W, own children only, oldest child under 6 years old H/W, own children only, oldest child 6 to 17 years old H/W, own children only, oldest child over 17 years old All other H/W CUs One parent, male, own children only, at least one child age under 18 years old Single persons 	81	CHAR(1)

	9 Other CUs		
	BLS derived		
FAMYPE		82	CHAR(1)
NO_EARNR	Number of earners	471	NUM(2)
	BLS derived		
NO_E_RNR		473	CHAR(1)
EARNCOMP	Composition of earners CODED 1 Reference person only 2 Reference person and spouse 3 Reference person, spouse, and others 4 Reference person and others 5 Spouse only 6 Spouse and others 7 Others only 8 No earners	57	CHAR(1)
	BLS derived		
EARN_OMP		58	CHAR(1)
VEHQ	How many automobiles, trucks, or other vehicles do you own?	653	NUM(2)
	S02 4B		
VEHQ_		655	CHAR(1)
INCLASS	Income class of CU based on income before taxes (Codes 01 through 09 are for CUs considered complete reporters of income) CODED 01 Less than \$5,000 02 \$5,000 to \$9,999 03 \$10,000 to \$14,999 04 \$15,000 to \$19,999 05 \$20,000 to \$29,999 06 \$30,000 to \$39,999 07 \$40,000 to \$49,999 08 \$50,000 to \$69,999 09 \$70,000 and over	1516	CHAR(2)
	BLS derived		
RESPSTAT	Completeness of income response CODED 1 Complete income respondent 2 Incomplete income respondent	582	CHAR(1)
	BLS derived	500	
RESP_TAT		583	CHAR(1)
POVLEV	Poverty level threshold for this CU	1550	NUM (8)

	BLS derived		
POVLEV_		1558	CHAR (1)
INC_RNKM	Weighted cumulative percent ranking based on total current income, based on FINCBEFM.	2363	NUM(9.7)
INCNKM		2372	CHAR(1)
INC_RNK1		2373	NUM(9.7)
INC_RNK2		2382	NUM(9.7)
INC_RNK3		2391	NUM(9.7)
INC_RNK4		2400	NUM(9.7)
INC_RNK5		2409	NUM(9.7)
POVERTYM	Is CU income below current year's poverty threshold? (Income is defined as FINCBEFM - FS_AMTM)	2736	CHAR(1)
	CODED 1 Yes 2 No		
POVE_TYM		2737	CHAR(1)
POVERTY1		2738	CHAR(1)
POVERTY2		2739	CHAR(1)
POVERTY3		2740	CHAR(1)
POVERTY4		2741	CHAR(1)
POVERTY5		2742	CHAR(1)

c. CHARACTERISTICS OF REFERENCE PERSON AND SPOUSE

VARIABLE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	START POSITION	FORMAT
AGE_REF	Age of reference person	36	NUM(2)
	BLS derived		
AGE_REF_		38	CHAR(1)
REF_RACE	Race of reference person CODED 1 White 2 African American, or Black 3 American Indian, or Alaskan Native 4 Asian 5 Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	578	CHAR(1)
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	6 Multi-race		
	BLS derived		
REF_ACE		579	CHAR(1)
SEX_REF	Sex of reference person CODED 1 Male 2 Female	602	CHAR(1)
	BLS derived		
SEX_REF_		603	CHAR(1)
HORREF1	Hispanic Origin of the Reference Person Coded: 1 Mexican 2 Mexican-American 3 Chicano 4 Puerto Rican 5 Cuban 6 Cuban-American 7 Central or South American 8 Other Hispanic Blank for non-Hispanic	1576	CHAR(1)
HORREF1_		1577	CHAR(1)
HORREF2	Hispanic Origin of the spouse Coded same as HORREF1	1578	CHAR(1)
HORREF2_			
MARITAL1	Marital status of reference person CODED 1 Married 2 Widowed 3 Divorced 4 Separated 5 Never married	469	CHAR(1)
	BLS derived		
MARI_AL1		470	CHAR(1)
EDUC_REF	Education of reference person CODED 00 Never attended school 10 First through eighth grade 11 Ninth through twelve grade (no H.S. diploma) 12 High school graduate 13 Some college, less than college graduate	68	CHAR(2)

	14 Associate's degree (occupational/vocational or academic)	
	15 Bachelor's degree	
	16 Master's degree	
	17 Professional/Doctorate degree	
	BLS derived	
EDUC0REF		70

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AGE2	Age of spouse	39	NUM(2)
	BLS derived		
AGE2_		41	CHAR(1)
RACE2	Race of spouse CODED - same as REF_RACE	574	CHAR(1)
	BLS derived		
RACE2_		575	CHAR(1)
SEX2	Sex of spouse CODED - same as SEX_REF	604	CHAR(1)
	BLS derived		
SEX2_		605	CHAR(1)
EDUCA2	Education of spouse CODED - same as EDUC_REF	71	CHAR(2)
	BLS derived		
EDUCA2_		73	CHAR(1)

d. WORK EXPERIENCE OF REFERENCE PERSON AND SPOUSE

VARIABLE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	START POSITION	FORMAT
WK_WRKD1	Number of weeks worked by reference person in the last 12 months, including full or part time, paid vacation and paid sick leave.	672	NUM(2)
	BLS derived		
WK_W_KD1		674	CHAR(1)
HRSPRWK1	Number of hours usually worked per week by reference person	387	NUM(3)
	BLS derived		
HRSP_WK1		390	CHAR(1)
OCCULIS1	The job in which reference person received the most earnings during the past 12 months best fits the following category CODED Manager, professional 01 Administrator, manager	561	CHAR(2)

	02 Teacher 03 Professional Administrative support, technical, sales 04 Administrative support, including clerical 05 Sales, retail 06 Sales, business goods and services 07 Technician Service 08 Protective service 09 Private household service 10 Other service 09 Private household service 10 Other service 09 Private household service 11 Machine operator, assembler, inspector 12 Transportation operator 13 Handler, helper, laborer Precision production, craft, repair 14 Mechanic, repairer, precision production 15 Construction, mining Farming, forestry, fishing 16 Farming 17 Forestry, fishing, groundskeeping Armed forces 18 Armed forces		
	BLS derived		
OCCU_IS1		563	CHAR(1)
EMPLTYP1	 Employer from which reference person received the most earnings in past 12 months CODED Private company, business, or individual Federal government State government Local government Self-employed in own business, professional practice, or farm Family business or farm, working without pay 	74	CHAR(1)
	BLS derived		
EMPL_YP1		75	CHAR(1)
WHYNWRK1	Reason reference person did not work during the past 12 months CODED 1 Retired 2 Taking care of home/CU 3 Going to school 4 III, disabled, unable to work 5 Unable to find work 6 Doing something else	668	CHAR(1)
	BLS derived		
WHYN_RK1		669	CHAR(1)
WK_WRKD2	Number of weeks worked by spouse in the last 12 months, including full or part time, paid vacation and paid sick leave.	675	NUM(2)
	BLS derived		

WK_W_KD2		677	CHAR(1)
HRSPRWK2	Number of hours usually worked per week by spouse	391	NUM(3)
	BLS derived		
HRSP_WK2		394	CHAR(1)
OCCULIS2	Job in which spouse received the most earnings during the past 12 months CODED - same as OCCULIS1	492	CHAR(2)
	S04A 4a		
OCCU_IS2		494	CHAR(1)
EMPLTYP2	Employer from which spouse received the most earnings during the past 12 months CODED - Same as EMPLTYP1	76	CHAR(1)
	BLS derived		
EMPL_YP2			
		77	CHAR(1)
WHYNWRK2	Reason spouse did not work during the past 12 months CODED - same as WHYNWRK1	77 670	CHAR(1) CHAR(1)
WHYNWRK2			
WHYNWRK2 WHYN_RK2	CODED - same as WHYNWRK1		
	CODED - same as WHYNWRK1	670	CHAR(1)
WHYN_RK2	CODED - same as WHYNWRK1 BLS derived During the past 12 months, what was the total amount of occupational expenses such as union dues, tools, uniforms, business or professional association dues, licenses or	670 671	CHAR(1) CHAR(1)

e. <u>INCOME</u>

VARIABLE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	START POSITION	FORMAT
ALIOTHXM	During the past 12 months, what was the total amount of income from regular contributions from alimony and other sources such as from persons outside the CU received by ALL CU members?	1580	NUM(10.1)
ALIO_HXM		1590	CHAR(1)
ALIOTHX1		1591	NUM(8)
ALIOTHX2		1599	NUM(8)
ALIOTHX3		1607	NUM(8)

ALIOTHX4		1615	NUM(8)
ALIOTHX5		1623	NUM(8)
ALIOTHXI	Indicator/descriptor variable for income imputation. (A detailed definition appears in section III.D.)	1631	NUM(3)
ALIOTHB	Could you tell me which range best reflects the total amount received in alimony and other sources during the last 12 months? 01 \$0-\$999 02 \$1,000-\$1,999 03 \$2,000-\$2,999 04 \$3,000-\$3,999 05 \$4,000-\$4,999 06 \$5,000-\$4,999 07 \$10,000-\$14,999 08 \$15,000-\$14,999 09 \$20,000-\$29,999 10 \$30,000-\$39,999 11 \$40,000-\$49,999 12 \$50,000 and over	2944	CHAR(2)
ALIOTHB_		2946	CHAR(1)
ALIOTHBX	Median of bracket range	2947	NUM(6)
ALIO_HBX		2953	CHAR(1)
CHDOTHXM	During the past 12 months, what was the total amount of income from child support payments in other than a lump sum amount received by ALL CU members?	1634	NUM(10.1)
CHDO_HXM		1644	CHAR(1)
CHDOTHX1		1645	NUM(8)
CHDOTHX2		1653	NUM(8)
CHDOTHX3		1661	NUM(8)
CHDOTHX4		1669	NUM(8)
CHDOTHX5		1677	NUM(8)
CHDOTHXI		1685	NUM(3)
CHDOTHB	Could you tell me which best reflects the total amount received in child support payments, other than lump sum amounts, by all CU members during the last 12 months? 01 \$0-\$999 02 \$1,000-\$1,999	2964	CHAR(2)

	03 \$2,000-\$2,999 04 \$3,000-\$3,999 05 \$4,000-\$4,999 06 \$5,000-\$9,999 07 \$10,000-\$14,999 08 \$15,000-\$19,999 09 \$20,000-\$29,999 10 \$30,000-\$39,999 11 \$40,000-\$49,999 12 \$50,000 and over		
CHDOTHB_		2966	CHAR(1)
CHDOTHBX	Median of bracket range	2967	NUM(6)
CHDO_HBX		2973	CHAR(1)
DIVXM	During the past 12 months, what was the total amount of income from dividends, royalties, estates, or trusts received by ALL CU members?	1688	NUM(10.1)
DIVXM_		1698	CHAR(1)
DIVX1		1699	NUM(8)
DIVX2		1707	NUM(8)
DIVX3		1715	NUM(8)
DIVX4		1723	NUM(8)
DIVX5		1731	NUM(8)
DIVXI		1738	NUM(3)
DIVB	Could you tell me which range best reflects the total amount of income from dividends, trusts, estates or royalties during the last 12 months? 01 \$0-\$999 02 \$1,000-\$1,999 03 \$2,000-\$2,999 04 \$3,000-\$3,999 05 \$4,000-\$4,999 06 \$5,000-\$4,999 07 \$10,000-\$14,999 08 \$15,000-\$14,999 09 \$20,000-\$29,999 10 \$30,000-\$29,999 11 \$40,000-\$49,999 12 \$50,000 and over	2974	CHAR(2)

DIVBX	Median of bracket range	2977	NUM(6)
DIVBX_		2983	CHAR(1)
FBSNSXM	Amount of income or loss from nonfarm business, partnership or professional practice received by all CU members in past 12 months (Sum BSNSXM from MEMB file for all CU members)	1742	NUM(11.1)
FBS_SXM		1753	CHAR(1)
FBSNSX1		1754	NUM(9)
FBSNSX2		1763	NUM(9)
FBSNSX3		1772	NUM(9)
FBSNSX4		1781	NUM(9)
FBSNSX5		1790	NUM(9)
FBSNSXI		1799	NUM(3)
FFARMXM	Amount of income or loss from own farm received by all CU members in past 12 months (Sum FARMXM from MEMB file for all CU members)	1802	NUM(11.1)
FFARMXM_		1813	CHAR(1)
FFARMX1		1814	NUM(9)
FFARMX2		1823	NUM(9)
FFARMX3		1832	NUM(9)
FFARMX4		1841	NUM(9)
FFARMX5		1850	NUM(9)
FFARMXI		1859	NUM(3)
FINCAFTM	Amount of CU income after taxes in past 12 months (FINCBEFM - PERSTAX)	1922	NUM(11.1)
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	BLS derived		
FINCA_TM		1933	CHAR(1)
FINCAFT1		1934	NUM(9)
FINCAFT2		1943	NUM(9)
FINCAFT3		1952	NUM(9)

FINCAFT4		1961	NUM(9)
FINCAFT5		1970	NUM(9)
FINCBEFM	Amount of CU income before taxes in past 12 months (UNEMPXM + WRKRSXM + WELFRXM + INTXM +DIVXM + PENSIONM + ROOMXM + OTHRNTXM + CHDOTHXM + ALIOTHXM + OTHINXM + JFS_AMTM + FWAGEXM + FBSNSXM + FFARMXM + FSS_RRXM + FSUPPXM)	1979	NUM(11.1)
FINCB_FM		1990	CHAR(1)
FINCBEF1		1991	NUM(9)
FINCBEF2		2000	NUM(9)
FINCBEF3		2009	NUM(9)
FINCBEF4		2018	NUM(9)
FINCBEF5		2027	NUM(9)
FINCBEFI		2036	NUM(3)
FSUPPXM	Amount of Supplemental Security Income from all sources received by all CU members in past 12 months (Sum SUPPXM from MEMB file for all CU members)	2255	NUM(10.1)
FSUPPXM_		2265	CHAR(1)
FSUPPX1		2266	NUM(8)
FSUPPX2		2274	NUM(8)
FSUPPX3		2282	NUM(8)
FSUPPX4		2290	NUM(8)
FSUPPX5		2298	NUM(8)
FSUPPXI		2306	NUM(3)
FWAGEXM	Amount of wage and salary income before deductions received by all CU members in past 12 months (Sum WAGEXM from MEMB file for all CU members)	2309	NUM(10.1)
FWAGEXM_		2319	CHAR(1)
FWAGEX1		2320	NUM(8)
FWAGEX2		2328	NUM(8)
FWAGEX3		2336	NUM(8)
FWAGEX4		2344	NUM(8)
FWAGEX5		2352	NUM(8)
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FWAGEXI		2360	NUM(3)
INTXM	During the past 12 months, what was the total amount of income from interest on savings accounts or bonds received by ALL CU members?	2418	NUM(10.1)
INTXM_		2428	CHAR(1)
INTX1		2429	NUM(8)
INTX2		2437	NUM(8)
INTX3		2445	NUM(8)
INTX4		2453	NUM(8)
INTX5		2461	NUM(8)
INTXI		2469	NUM(3)
INTB	Could you tell me which range best reflects the total amount of interest received by all CU members during the last 12 months? 01 \$0-\$999 02 \$1,000-\$1,999 03 \$2,000-\$2,999 04 \$3,000-\$3,999 05 \$4,000-\$4,999 06 \$5,000-\$9,999 07 \$10,000-\$14,999 08 \$15,000-\$14,999 09 \$20,000-\$29,999 10 \$30,000-\$39,999 11 \$40,000-\$49,999 12 \$50,000 and over	2984	CHAR(2)
INTB_		2986	CHAR(1)
INTBX	Median of bracket range	2987	NUM(6)
INTBX_		2993	CHAR(1)
JFS_AMTM	Annual value of Food Stamps received by CU JFS_AMTM = 12 X FS_AMTM NOTE: JFS_AMTM is a component of FINCBEFM and FINCAFTM	2472	NUM(8.1)
JFSMTM		2480	CHAR(1)
JFS_AMT1		2481	NUM(6)
JFS_AMT2		2487	NUM(6)
JFS_AMT3	26	2493	NUM(6)

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JFS_AMT4		2499	NUM(6)
JFS_AMT5		2505	NUM(6)
OTHINXM	During the past 12 months, what was the total amount of other money income including money received from cash scholarships and fellowships, stipends not based on working, or from the care of foster children received by ALL CU members?	2511	NUM(10.1)
OTHINXM_		2521	CHAR(1)
OTHINX1		2522	NUM(8)
OTHINX2		2530	NUM(8)
OTHINX3		2538	NUM(8)
OTHINX4		2546	NUM(8)
OTHINX5		2554	NUM(8)
OTHINXI		2562	NUM(3)
OTHINB	Could you tell me which range best reflects the total amount of other money income received during the last 12 months? 01 \$0-\$999 02 \$1,000-\$1,999 03 \$2,000-\$2,999 04 \$3,000-\$3,999 05 \$4,000-\$4,999 06 \$5,000-\$9,999 07 \$10,000-\$14,999 08 \$15,000-\$19,999 09 \$20,000-\$29,999 10 \$30,000-\$39,999 11 \$40,000-\$49,999 12 \$50,000 and over	3004	CHAR(2)
OTHINB_		3006	CHAR(1)
OTHINBX	Median of bracket range	3007	NUM(6)
OTHINBX_		3013	CHAR(1)
OTHRNTXM	During the past 12 months, how much net income or loss was received from payments from other rental units? *L	2565	NUM(11.1)
OTHR_TXM		2576	CHAR(1)
OTHRNTX1		2577	NUM(9)
OTHRNTX2		2586	NUM(9)
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OTHRNTX3		2595	NUM(9)
OTHRNTX4		2604	NUM(9)
OTHRNTX5		2613	NUM(9)
OTHRNTXI		2622	NUM(3)
ROOMLOSB	Could you tell me which range best reflects your net income or loss from roomers or boarders? 01 \$0-\$999 02 \$1,000-\$1,999 03 \$2,000-\$2,999 04 \$3,000-\$3,999 05 \$4,000-\$4,999 06 \$5,000-\$4,999 07 \$10,000-\$14,999 08 \$15,000-\$14,999 09 \$20,000-\$29,999 10 \$30,000-\$39,999 11 \$40,000-\$49,999 12 \$50,000 and over	3034	CHAR(2)
ROOM_OSB		3036	CHAR(1)
ROOMLSBX	Median of bracket range	3037	NUM(6)
ROOM_SBX		3043	CHAR(1)
OTHLOSSB	Could you tell me which range best reflects your net income or loss from other rental units during the last 12 months? 00 Loss 01 \$0-\$999 02 \$1,000-\$1,999 03 \$2,000-\$2,999 04 \$3,000-\$2,999 05 \$4,000-\$4,999 06 \$5,000-\$4,999 07 \$10,000-\$14,999 08 \$15,000-\$14,999 09 \$20,000-\$29,999 10 \$30,000-\$39,999 11 \$40,000-\$49,999 12 \$50,000 and over	3014	CHAR(2)
OTHL_SSB		3016	CHAR(1)
OTHLOSBX	Median of bracket range	3017	NUM(6)
OTHL_SBX		3023	CHAR(1)

PENSIONM	During the past 12 months, what was the total amount of income from pensions or annuities from private companies, military, Government, IRA, or Keogh received by ALL CU members?	2625	NUM(10.1)
PENS_ONM		2635	CHAR(1)
PENSION1		2636	NUM(8)
PENSION2		2644	NUM(8)
PENSION3		2652	NUM(8)
PENSION4		2660	NUM(8)
PENSION5		2668	NUM(8)
PENSIONI		2676	NUM(3)
PNSIONB	Could you tell me which range best reflects the total amount of retirement pensions and annuities during the last 12 months? 01 \$0-\$999 02 \$1,000-\$1,999 03 \$2,000-\$2,999 04 \$3,000-\$3,999 05 \$4,000-\$4,999 06 \$5,000-\$4,999 07 \$10,000-\$14,999 08 \$15,000-\$19,999 09 \$20,000-\$29,999 10 \$30,000-\$39,999 11 \$40,000-\$49,999 12 \$50,000 and over	3024	CHAR(2)
PNSIONB_		3026	CHAR(1)
PNSIONBX	Median of bracket range	3027	NUM(6)
PNSI_NBX		3033	CHAR(1)
ROOMXM	During the past 12 months, how much net income or loss was received from roomers or boarders? *L	2743	NUM(9.1)
ROOMXM_		2752	CHAR(1)
ROOMX1		2753	NUM(7)
ROOMX2		2760	NUM(7)
ROOMX3		2767	NUM(7)
ROOMX4		2774	NUM(7)
ROOMX5		2781	NUM(7)
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ROOMXI		2788	NUM(3)
UNEMPXM	During the past 12 months, what was the total amount of income from unemployment compensation received by ALL CU members?	2791	NUM(8.1)
UNEMPXM_		2799	CHAR(1)
UNEMPX1		2800	NUM(6)
UNEMPX2		2806	NUM(6)
UNEMPX3		2812	NUM(6)
UNEMPX4		2818	NUM(6)
UNEMPX5		2824	NUM(6)
UNEMPXI		2830	NUM(3)
UNEMPB	Could you tell me which range best reflects the total amount received in unemployment compensation during the last 12 months? 01 \$0-\$999 02 \$1,000-\$1,999 03 \$2,000-\$2,999 04 \$3,000-\$3,999 05 \$4,000-\$4,999 06 \$5,000-\$9,999 07 \$10,000-\$14,999 08 \$15,000-\$14,999 09 \$20,000-\$29,999 10 \$30,000-\$29,999 11 \$40,000-\$49,999 12 \$50,000 and over	3054	CHAR(2)
UNEMPB_		3056	CHAR(1)
UNEMPBX	Median of bracket range	3057	NUM(6)
UNEMPBX_		3063	CHAR(1)
WELFRXM	During the past 12 months, what was the total amount of income from public assistance or welfare including money received from job training grants such as Job Corps received by ALL CU members?	2833	NUM(10.1)
WELFRXM_		2843	CHAR(1)
WELFRX1		2844	NUM(8)

WELFRX2		2852	NUM(8)
WELFRX3		2860	NUM(8)
WELFRX4		2868	NUM(8)
WELFRX5		2876	NUM(8)
WELFRXI		2884	NUM(3)
WELFRB	Could you tell me which range best reflects the total amount of income from cash assistance from state or local government welfare programs during the last 12 months? 01 \$0-\$999 02 \$1,000-\$1,999 03 \$2,000-\$2,999 04 \$3,000-\$2,999 05 \$4,000-\$4,999 06 \$5,000-\$9,999 07 \$10,000-\$14,999 08 \$15,000-\$14,999 09 \$20,000-\$29,999 10 \$30,000-\$39,999 11 \$40,000-\$49,999 12 \$50,000 and over	3064	CHAR(2)
WELFRB_		3066	CHAR(1)
WELFRBX	Median of bracket range	3067	NUM(6)
WELFRBX_		3073	CHAR(1)
WRKRSXM	During the past 12 months, what was the total amount of income from workers' compensation or veterans' benefits, including education benefits, but excluding military retirement, received by ALL CU members?	2887	NUM(10.1)
WRKRSXM_		2897	CHAR(1)
WRKRSX1		2898	NUM(8)
WRKRSX2		2906	NUM(8)
WRKRSX3		2914	NUM(8)
WRKRSX4		2922	NUM(8)
WRKRSX5		2930	NUM(8)
WRKRSXI		2938	NUM(3)

WRKRSB	Could you tell me which range best reflects the total amount of income from worker's compensation during the last 12 months? 01 \$0-\$999 02 \$1,000-\$1,999 03 \$2,000-\$2,999 04 \$3,000-\$3,999 05 \$4,000-\$4,999 06 \$5,000-\$9,999 07 \$10,000-\$14,999 08 \$15,000-\$19,999 09 \$20,000-\$29,999 10 \$30,000-\$39,999 11 \$40,000-\$49,999 12 \$50,000 and over	3074	CHAR(2)
WRKRSB_		3076	CHAR(1)
WRKRSBX	Median of bracket range	3077	NUM(6)
WRKRSBX_		3083	CHAR(1)

f. OTHER MONEY RECEIPTS

VARIABLE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	START POSITION	FORMAT
OTHRECX	Amount of other money receipts excluded from CU income before taxes received by CU in past 12 months (LUMPX + SALEX + SSREFX + INSREFX + PTAXREF+CHDLMPX)	508	NUM(8)
	BLS derived		
OTHRECX_		516	CHAR(1)
LUMPX	During the past 12 months, what was the total amount received from lump sum payments from estates, trusts, royalties, alimony, prizes, games of chance, or from persons outside of the CU by ALL CU members?	460	NUM(8)
	S04B 2a		
LUMPX_		468	CHAR(1)
LUMPB	Could you tell me which range best reflects the total lump sum payments during the last 12 months? 01 \$0-\$999 02 \$1,000-\$1,999 03 \$2,000-\$2,999 04 \$3,000-\$3,999 05 \$4,000-\$4,999	2994	CHAR(2)

	06 \$5,000-\$9,999 07 \$10,000-\$14,999 08 \$15,000-\$19,999 09 \$20,000-\$29,999 10 \$30,000-\$39,999 11 \$40,000-\$49,999 12 \$50,000 and over		
LUMPB_		2996	CHAR(1)
LUMPBX	Median of bracket range	2997	NUM(6)
LUMPBX_		3003	CHAR(1)
CHDLMPX	During the past 12 months, what was the total amount received from a one time lump sum payment for child support by ALL CU members?	1539	NUM(8)
	S04B 1h(1)		
CHDLMPX_		1547	CHAR(1)
CHDLMPB	Could you tell me which range best reflects the total amount received in lump sum payments for child support during the last 12 months? 01 \$0-\$999 02 \$1,000-\$1,999 03 \$2,000-\$2,999 04 \$3,000-\$2,999 05 \$4,000-\$4,999 06 \$5,000-\$4,999 06 \$5,000-\$9,999 07 \$10,000-\$14,999 08 \$15,000-\$19,999 09 \$20,000-\$29,999 10 \$30,000-\$29,999 11 \$40,000-\$49,999 12 \$50,000 and over	2954	CHAR(2)
CHDLMPB_		2956	CHAR(1)
CHDLMPBX	Median of bracket range	2957	NUM(6)
CHDL_PBX		2963	CHAR(1)
SALEX	During the past 12 months, what was the total amount received from the sale of household furnishings, equipment, clothing, jewelry, pets or other belongings, excluding the sale of vehicles or property by ALL CU members?	593	NUM(8)
	S04B 2b		
SALEX_		601	CHAR(1)

SALEB	Could you tell me which range best reflects the total amount received from these sales during the last 12 months? 01 \$0-\$999 02 \$1,000-\$1,999 03 \$2,000-\$2,999 04 \$3,000-\$3,999 05 \$4,000-\$4,999 06 \$5,000-\$4,999 07 \$10,000-\$14,999 08 \$15,000-\$19,999 09 \$20,000-\$29,999 10 \$30,000-\$39,999 11 \$40,000-\$49,999 12 \$50,000 and over	3044	CHAR(2)
SALEB_ SALEBX	Median of bracket range	3046 3047	CHAR(1) NUM(6)
SALEBX_		3053	CHAR(1)
SSREFX	During the past 12 months, what was the total amount of refund received from overpayment on Social Security by ALL CU members?	607	NUM(8)
	S04B 3c		
SSREFX_		615	CHAR(1)
INSREFX	During the past 12 months, what was the total amount of refund received from insurance policies by ALL CU members?	405	NUM(8)
	S04B 3d		
INSREFX_		413	CHAR(1)
PTAXREFX	During the past 12 months, what was the total amount of refund received from property taxes by ALL CU members?	565	NUM(8)
	S04B 3e		
PTAX_EFX		573	CHAR(1)
g. <u>TAXES</u>			
VARIABLE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	START POSITION	FORMAT
TAXPROPX	During the past 12 months, what was the total amount PAID for personal property taxes for vehicles not reported elsewhere by ALL CU members?	633	NUM(8)
	S04B 4c		
TAXP_OPX		641	CHAR(1)
ADDFEDX	During the past 12 months, what was the total amount PAID for Federal income tax, in addition to that withheld from earnings, 34	9	NUM(8)

by ALL CU members?

	S04B 4a		
ADDFEDX_		17	CHAR(1)
FEDREFX	During the past 12 months, what was the total amount of refund received from Federal income tax by ALL CU members?	94	NUM(8)
	S04B 3a		
FEDREFX_		102	CHAR(1)
ADDSTAX	During the past 12 months, what was the total amount PAID for state and local income taxes, in addition to that withheld from earnings, by ALL CU members?	27	NUM(8)
	S04B 4b		
ADDSTAX_		35	CHAR(1)
STATREFX	During the past 12 months, what was the total amount of refund received from state and local income tax by ALL CU members?	616	NUM(8)
	S04B 3b		
STAT_EFX		624	CHAR(1)
ADDOTHX	During the past 12 months, what was the total amount PAID for other taxes not reported elsewhere by ALL CU members?	18	NUM(8)
	S04B 4d		
ADDOTHX_		26	CHAR(1)
OTHREFX	During the past 12 months, what was the total amount of refund received from other sources, including any other taxes, by ALL CU members?	517	NUM(8)
	S04B 3f		
OTHREFX_		525	CHAR(1)
FFEDTXXM	Amount of Federal income tax deducted from last pay annualized for all CU members (sum ANFEDTXX from MEMB file for all CU members)	1862	NUM(10.1)
FFED_XXM		1872	CHAR(1)
FFEDTXX1		1873	NUM(8)
FFEDTXX2		1881	NUM(8)
FFEDTXX3		1889	NUM(8)
FFEDTXX4		1897	NUM(8)
FFEDTXX5		1905	NUM(8)

FSTATXXM	Amount of state and local income taxes deducted from last pay annualized for all CU members (sum ANSTATXM from MEMB file for all CU members)	2204	NUM(10.1)
FSTA_XXM		2214	CHAR(1)
FSTATXX1		2215	NUM(8)
FSTATXX2		2223	NUM(8)
FSTATXX3		2231	NUM(8)
FSTATXX4		2239	NUM(8)
FSTATXX5		2247	NUM(8)
PERSTAXM	Amount of personal taxes paid by CU in past 12 months (ADDFEDX + ADDSTAX + ADDOTHX + FFEDTXXM + FSTATXXM + TAXPROPX) - (FEDREFX + STATREFX + OTHREFX) *L	2679	NUM(11.1)
PERS_AXM		2690	CHAR(1)
PERSTAX1		2691	NUM(9)
PERSTAX2		2700	NUM(9)
PERSTAX3		2709	NUM(9)
PERSTAX4		2718	NUM(9)
PERSTAX5		2727	NUM(9)

h. RETIREMENT AND PENSION DEDUCTIONS

VARIABLE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	START POSITION	FORMAT
FJSSDEDX	Estimated amount of income contributed to Social Security by all CU members in past 12 months (Sum JSSDEDX from MEME file for all CU members)		NUM(8)
	BLS derived		
FJSS_EDX		176	CHAR(1)
FRRX	Amount of Railroad Retirement deducted from last pay annualized for all CU members (Sum ANRRX from MEMB file for all CU members)	195 9	NUM(8)
	BLS derived		

FRRX_		203	CHAR(1)
FGVX	Amount of government retirement deducted from last pay annualized for all CU members (Sum ANGVX from MEMB file for all CU members)	121	NUM(8)
	BLS derived		
FGVX_		129	CHAR(1)
FPVTX	Amount of private pension fund deducted from last pay annualized for all CU members (sum ANPVTX from MEMB file for all CU members)	177	NUM(8)
	BLS derived		
FPVTX_		185	CHAR(1)
FIRAX	Amount of money placed in an individual retirement plan, such as an IRA or Keogh, by all CU members in past 12 months (sum IRAX from MEMB file for all CU members)	159	NUM(8)
	BLS derived		
FIRAX_		167	CHAR(1)
FGVXM	Amount of government retirement deducted from last pay annualized for all CU members (Sum ANGVXM from MEMB file for all CU members)	1913	NUM(8)
FGVXM_		1921	CHAR(1)
FJSSDEDM	Estimated amount of income contributed to Social Security by all CU members in past 12 months (Sum JSSDEDXM from MEMB file for all CU members)	2039	NUM(10.1)
FJSS_EDM		2049	CHAR(1)
FJSSDED1		2050	NUM(8)
FJSSDED2		2058	NUM(8)
FJSSDED3		2066	NUM(8)
FJSSDED4		2074	NUM(8)
FJSSDED5		2082	NUM(8)
FPVTXM	Amount of private pension fund deducted from last pay annualized for all CU members (sum ANPVTXM from MEMB file for all CU members)	2090	NUM(8)
FPVTXM_		2098	CHAR(1)
FRRXM	Amount of Railroad Retirement deducted from last pay 37	2099	NUM(8)

annualized for all CU members (Sum ANRRXM from MEMB file for all CU members)

BLS derived

FRRXM_

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i. FOOD STAMPS

NOTE: JFS_AMT, the annual value of Food Stamps received by CU, is in SECTION III.E.1.e. INCOME

VARIABLE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	START POSITION	FORMAT
REC_FS	Have any members of your CU received any Food Stamps, during the past 12 months? CODED 1 Yes 2 No	576	CHAR(1)
	S04B 8a		
REC_FS_		577	CHAR(1)
FD_STMPS	Have any members of your CU received any Food Stamps, in the past month? CODED 1 Yes 2 No	92	CHAR(1)
	S04B 9a		
FD_S_MPS		93	CHAR(1)
FS_MTHI	In how many of the past 12 months were Food Stamps received?	348	NUM(2)
	S04B 8b		
FS_MTHI_		350	CHAR(1)
FS_AMTXM	What is the dollar value of Food Stamps received?	2108	NUM(8.1)
FS_A_TXM		2116	CHAR(1)
FS_AMTX1		2117	NUM(6)
FS_AMTX2		2123	NUM(6)
FS_AMTX3		2129	NUM(6)
FS_AMTX4		2135	NUM(6)
FS_AMTX5		2141	NUM(6)
FS_AMTXI		2147	NUM(3)

j. FREE MEALS AND PURCHASED GROCERIES

VARIABLE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	START POSITION	FORMAT
FREEMLX	During the past 12 months, about what was the weekly dollar value of any free meals received by any members of your CU as part of their pay?	186	NUM(8)
	S04B 6b		
FREEMLX_		194	CHAR(1)
JGROCYMV	Monthly expenditure for grocery store purchases	446	NUM(6)
	BLS derived		
JGRO_YMV		452	CHAR(1)
JGROCYWK	Weekly expenditure for grocery store purchases	453	NUM(6)
	BLS derived		
JGRO_YWK		459	CHAR(1)
JGRCFDMV	Monthly expenditure for food and non-alcoholic beverages purchased at grocery store	432	NUM(6)
	BLS derived		
JGRC_DMV		438	CHAR(1)
JGRCFDWK	Weekly expenditure for food and non-alcoholic beverages purchased at grocery store	439	NUM(6)
	BLS derived		
JGRC_DWK		445	CHAR(1)

k. HOUSING STRUCTURE

VARIABLE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	START POSITION	FORMAT
DESCRIP	 Housing unit or Group Quarters unit CODED 01 House, apartment, flat 02 Housing unit in nontransient hotel, motel, etc. 03 Housing unit, permanent in transient hotel, motel, etc. 04 Housing unit, in rooming house 05 Mobile home or trailer with NO permanent room added 06 Mobile home or trailer with one or more permanent rooms added 07 Housing unit not specified above 08 Quarters not housing unit in rooming or boarding house 09 Student quarters in college dormitory 10 Group quarters unit, not specified above 	45	CHAR(2)
	Cover 13c and 13d		
DESCRIP_		47	CHAR(1)
TYPOWND	 Are these living quarters owned by regular ownership or as a condominium or cooperative? CODED Regular ownership Condominium Cooperative 	642	CHAR(1)
	S02 1c		
TYPOWND_		643	CHAR(1)

I. <u>WEIGHTS</u>

VARIABLE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	START POSITION FORMAT
FINLWT21	CU replicate weight # 45 (total sample weight)	148 NUM(11,3)
	BLS derived	

The following are the 44 half sample replicate weights, WTREP01 through WTREP44, which are used for variance computation. They are all BLS derived variables.

WTREP01	CU replicate weight # 01	687	NUM(11,3)
WTREP02	CU replicate weight # 02	698	NUM(11,3)
WTREP03	CU replicate weight # 03	709	NUM(11,3)
WTREP04	CU replicate weight # 04	720	NUM(11,3)
WTREP05	CU replicate weight # 05	731	NUM(11,3)
WTREP06	CU replicate weight # 06	742	NUM(11,3)
WTREP07	CU replicate weight # 07	753	NUM(11,3)

WTREP08	CU replicate weight # 08	764	NUM(11,3)
WTREP09	CU replicate weight # 09	775	NUM(11,3)
WTREP10	CU replicate weight # 10	786	NUM(11,3)
WTREP11	CU replicate weight # 11	797	NUM(11,3)
WTREP12	CU replicate weight # 12	808	NUM(11,3)
WTREP13	CU replicate weight # 13	819	NUM(11,3)
WTREP14	CU replicate weight # 14	830	NUM(11,3)
WTREP15	CU replicate weight # 15	841	NUM(11,3)
WTREP16	CU replicate weight # 16	852	NUM(11,3)
WTREP17	CU replicate weight # 17	863	NUM(11,3)
WTREP18	CU replicate weight # 18	874	NUM(11,3)
WTREP19	CU replicate weight # 19	885	NUM(11,3)
WTREP20	CU replicate weight # 20	896	NUM(11,3)
WTREP21	CU replicate weight # 21	907	NUM(11,3)
WTREP22	CU replicate weight # 22	918	NUM(11,3)
WTREP23	CU replicate weight # 23	929	NUM(11,3)
WTREP24	CU replicate weight # 24	940	NUM(11,3)
WTREP25	CU replicate weight # 25	951	NUM(11,3)
WTREP26	CU replicate weight # 26	972	NUM(11,3)
WTREP27	CU replicate weight # 27	973	NUM(11,3)
WTREP28	CU replicate weight # 28	984	NUM(11,3)
WTREP29	CU replicate weight # 29	995	NUM(11,3)
WTREP30	CU replicate weight # 30	1006	NUM(11,3)
WTREP31	CU replicate weight # 31	1017	NUM(11,3)
WTREP32	CU replicate weight # 32	1028	NUM(11,3)
WTREP33	CU replicate weight # 33	1039	NUM(11,3)
WTREP34	CU replicate weight # 34	1050	NUM(11,3)
WTREP35	CU replicate weight # 35	1061	NUM(11,3)
WTREP36	CU replicate weight # 36	1072	NUM(11,3)
WTREP37	CU replicate weight # 37	1083	NUM(11,3)
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WTREP38	CU replicate weight # 38	1094	NUM(11,3)
WTREP39	CU replicate weight # 39	1105	NUM(11,3)
WTREP40	CU replicate weight # 40	1116	NUM(11,3)
WTREP41	CU replicate weight # 41	1127	NUM(11,3)
WTREP42	CU replicate weight # 42	1138	NUM(11,3)
WTREP43	CU replicate weight # 43	1149	NUM(11,3)
WTREP44	CU replicate weight # 44	1160	NUM(11,3)

m. SUMMARY EXPENDITURE DATA

The variables FOODTOT through HOUSKEEP contain summary expenditure data. They are all BLS derived. The UCCs comprising each summary expenditure variable are listed below the variable description. Underlined UCCs may not be represented in all Diary quarters. The quarter in which the addition (deletion) to the summary expenditure variable occurs is denoted by a leading superscript directly prior to the UCC code. For example, ^{N051}<UCC> or ^{D051}<UCC> identifies a new or deleted UCC for a given summary expenditure variable beginning in Q041.

VARIABLE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	START POSITION	FORMAT
FOODTOT	Food, total FOODHOME + FOODAWAY	1171	NUM(12,5)
FOODHOME	Food at home, total CEREAL + BAKERY + BEEF + PORK + OTHMEAT + POULTRY + FISHSEA + EGGS + MILKCRM + OTHDAIRY + FRSHFRUT + FRSHVEG + PROCVEG + SWEETS + NOALCBEV + FATOILS + MISCFOOD	1183	NUM(12,5)
CEREAL	Cereal and cereal products 010110 010120 010210 010310 010320	1195	NUM(12,5)
BAKEPROD	Bakery products 020110 020210 020310 020410 020510 020610 020620 020710 020810 020820	1207	NUM(12,5)
BEEF	Beef 030110 030210 030310 030410 030510 030610 030710 030810	1219	NUM(12,5)
PORK	Pork 040110 040210 040310 040410 040510 040610	1231	NUM(12,5)
OTHMEAT	Other meats 050110 050210 050310 050410 050900	1243	NUM(12,5)
POULTRY	Poultry 060110 060210 060310	1255	NUM(12,5)
SEAFOOD	Fish and seafood 070110 070230 070240	1267	NUM(12,5)

EGGS	Eggs 080110	1279	NUM(12,5)
MILKPROD	Fresh milk and cream 090110 090210	1291	NUM(12,5)
OTHDAIRY	Other dairy products 100110 100210 100410 100510	1303	NUM(12,5)
FRSHFRUT	Fresh fruits 110110 110210 110310 110410 110510	1315	NUM(12,5)
FRSHVEG	Fresh vegetables 120110 120210 120310 120410	1327	NUM(12,5)
PROCFRUT	Processed fruits 130110 130121 130122 130211 130212 130310 130320	1339	NUM(12,5)
PROCVEG	Processed vegetables 140110 140210 140220 140230 140310 140320 140330 140340 140410 140420	1351	NUM(12,5)
SWEETS	Sugar and other sweets 150110 150211 150212 150310	1363	NUM(12,5)
NONALBEV	Nonalcoholic beverages 170110 170210 170310 170410 170510 170520 170530 200112	1375	NUM(12,5)
OILS	Fats and oils 160110 160211 160212 160310 160320	1387	NUM(12,5)
MISCFOOD	Miscellaneous foods 180110 180210 180220 180310 180320 180410 180420 180510 180520 180611 180612 180620 180710 180720	1399	NUM(12,5)
FOODAWAY	Food away from home 190111 190112 190113 190114 190115 190116 190211 190212 190213 190214 190215 190216 190311 190312 190313 190314 190315 190316 190321 190322 190323 190324 190325 190326 190911 190912 190913 190914 190915 190916 190921 190922 190923 190924 190925 190926	1411	NUM(12,5)
ALCBEV	Alcoholic beverages 200111 200210 200310 200410 200511 200512 200513 200516 200521 200522 200523 200526 200531 200532 200533 200536	1423	NUM(12,5)
SMOKSUPP	Tobacco products and smoking supplies 630110 630210 630220 630900	1435	NUM(12,5)
PET_FOOD	Pet food 610310	1447	NUM(12,5)
PERSPROD	Personal care products 640110 640120 640210 640220 640310 640410 640420	1459	NUM(12,5)
PERSSERV	Personal care services 650110 650210 650900	1471	NUM(12,5)

DRUGSUPP	Non-prescription drugs and supplies	1483	NUM(12,5)
	550110 550210 550310 550320 550330 550340 550410 550900 570901 570902		

HOUSKEEP Housekeeping supplies and services 1495 NUM(12,5) 330110 330210 330310 330410 330510 330610 340110 340120

2. MEMBER CHARACTERISTICS AND INCOME FILE (MEMB)

The "MEMB" file, also referred to as the "Member Characteristics and Income" file, contains selected characteristics for each CU member, including identification of relationship to reference person. Characteristics for the reference person and spouse appear on both the MEMB file and FMLY file.

Demographic characteristic data, such as age of CU member, refer to the member status at the placement of each diary. Income data are collected for all CU members over 13 years of age. Income taxes withheld and pension and retirement contributions are shown both annually and as deductions from the member's last paycheck. Income variables contain annual values for the 12 months prior to the interview month. When there is a valid nonresponse, or where nonresponse occurs and there is no imputation, there will be missing values. The type of nonresponse is explained by associated data flag variables described in Section III.C. DATA FLAGS.

VARIABLE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	START POSITION	FORMAT
NEWID	CU identification number. Digits 1-7 (CU sequence number, 1 through 9999999) uniquely identify the CU. Digit 8 is the week number, 1 or 2	1	NUM(8)
	BLS derived		
MEMBNO	Member number	135	NUM(2)
	S01 1		

a. CU AND MEMBER IDENTIFIERS

b. CHARACTERISTICS OF MEMBER

VARIABLE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	START POSITION	FORMAT
CU_CODE1	 What is the member's relationship to <i>(reference person)</i>? CODED Reference person Spouse Child or adopted child Grandchild In-law Brother or sister Mother or father Other related persons Unrelated persons Blank or illegible entry 	70	CHAR(1)
	S01 4		
AGE	What is the member's date of birth? (Age is verified.)	9	NUM(2)
	S01 9		
AGE_		11	CHAR(1)
SEX	Is the member male or female? CODED 1 Male 2 Female	174	CHAR(1)
MARITAL	S01 6 Is the member now? (Marital status) CODED 1 Married 2 Widowed 3 Divorced 4 Separated 5 Never married S01 12	133	CHAR(1)
EDUCA	What is the highest level of school the member has completed of the highest degree the member has received? CODED 00 Never attended school 01-11 First grade through eleventh grade 38 Twelfth grade - no degree	r 72	CHAR(2)
	 39 High school graduate 40 Some college - no degree 41 Associate's degree (occupational/vocational) 42 Associate's degree (academic) 43 Bachelor's degree 44 Master's degree 45 Professional degree 46 Doctorate degree 		

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HORIGIN	Are you Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish? Coded: 1 Yes 2 No	250	CHAR(1)
HISPANIC	Country of Hispanic Origin Coded: 1 Mexican 2 Mexican-American 3 Chicano 4 Puerto Rican 5 Cuban 6 Cuban-American 7 Central or South American 8 Other Hispanic group not listed Blank for non-Hispanic	251	CHAR(1)
HISP_NIC		252	CHAR(1)
MEMBRACE	Race of Member CODED 1 White 2 African American, or Black 3 American Indian, or Alaskan Native 4 Asian 5 Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander 6 Multi-race 7 Other	253	CHAR(1)
RC_WHITE	Race Coded: 1 White	254	CHAR(1)
RC_W_ITE		255	CHAR(1)
RC_BLACK	Race Coded: 2 African American, or Black	256	CHAR(1)
RC_B_ACK		257	CHAR(1)
RC_NATAM	Race: Coded: 3 American Indian, or Alaskan Native	258	CHAR(1)
RC_N_TAM		259	CHAR(1)
RC_ASIAN	Race Coded: 4 Asian	260	CHAR(1)
RC_A_IAN		261	CHAR(1)
RC_PACIL	Race Coded: 5 Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	262	CHAR(1)
RC_P_CIL	46	263	CHAR(1)

RC_OTHER	Race Coded: 6 Other	264	CHAR(1)
RC_O_HER		265	CHAR(1)
RC_DK	Race Coded: 7 Don't Know	266	CHAR(1)
RC_DK_		267	CHAR(1)
IN_COLL	Is the member currently enrolled in a college or university either?	244	CHAR(1)
	CODED 1 Full time 2 Part time 3 Not at all		
	S01 13b		
IN_COLL_		245	CHAR(1)
ARM_FORC	Is member now in the Armed Forces? CODED 1 Yes 2 No	242	CHAR(1)
	S01 14		
ARM_ORC		243	CHAR(1)
SCHLNCHQ	During the previous 30 days, how many weeks did the member purchase meals at school or in a preschool program for preschool or school age children?	162	NUM(2)
	S02 5b(d)		
SCHL_CHQ		164	CHAR(1)
SCHLNCHX	What is the usual weekly expense for the meals the member purchased at school?	165	NUM(8)
	S02 5b(c)		
SCHL_CHX		173	CHAR(1)

c. WORK EXPERIENCE OF MEMBERS

VARIABLE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	START POSITION	FORMAT
WKS_WRKD	In the last 12 months, how many weeks did the member work either full or part time not counting work around the house? Include paid vacation and paid sick leave.	225	NUM(2)
	S04A 2		
WKS_RKD		227	CHAR(1)
HRSPERWK	In the weeks that the member worked, how many hours did the member usually work per week?	113	NUM(3)
	S04A 3		
HRSP_RWK		116	CHAR(1)
OCCULIST	The job in which member received the most earnings during the past 12 months fits best in the following category CODED Manager, professional 01 Administrator, manager 02 Teacher 03 Professional Administrative support, technical, sales 04 Administrative support, including clerical 05 Sales, retail 06 Sales, business goods and services 07 Technician Service 08 Protective service 09 Private household service 10 Other service 09 Private household service 10 Other service 00perator, assembler, laborer 11 Machine operator, assembler, inspector 12 Transportation operator 13 Handler, helper, laborer Precision production, craft, repair 14 Mechanic, repairer, precision production 15 Construction, mining Farming, forestry, fishing 16 Farming 17 Forestry, fishing, groundskeeping Armed forces 18 Armed forces	137	CHAR(2)
	S04A 4a		
OCCU_IST		139	CHAR(1)
EMPLTYPE	Was the member ? (Type of employee) Refers to job where member received the most earnings in the past 12 months.	75	CHAR(1)
	CODED 1 An employee of a PRIVATE company, business, or individual working for wages or salary		

- 2 A Federal government employee
 3 A State government employee
 4 A local government employee
 5 Self-employed in OWN business, professional practice or farm
- 6 Working WITHOUT PAY in family business or farm,

S04A 4b

EMPL_YPE		76	CHAR(1)
WHYNOWRK	What was the main reason the member did not work during the past 12 months? Was the member?	223	CHAR(1)
	CODED 1 Retired 2 Taking care of home/family 3 Going to school 4 III, disabled, unable to work 5 Unable to find work 6 Doing something else		
	S04A 5		
WHYN_WRK		224	CHAR(1)

d. INCOME

VARIABLE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	START POSITION	FORMAT
GROSPAYX	What was the gross amount of the member's last pay?	95	NUM(8)
	S04A 9		
GROS_AYX		103	CHAR(1)
PAYPERD	Time period covered for last pay 1 week 2 2 weeks 3 month 4 quarter 5 year 6 other 7 twice a month S04A 10a	248	CHAR(1)
PAYPERD_		249	CHAR(1)
ANYSSINC	During the past 12 months, did the member receive from the U.S. Government any money from Social Security checks? CODED 1 Yes 2 No	59	CHAR(1)

	S04A 7a		
ANYS_INC		60	CHAR(1)
ANYRAIL	During the past 12 months, did the member receive from the U.S. Government any money from Railroad Retirement checks? CODED 1 Yes 2 No	57	CHAR(1)
	S04A 7b		
ANYRAIL_		58	CHAR(1)
MEDICARE	Is the amount of the last Social Security or Railroad Retirement payment received AFTER the deduction for a Medicare premium? CODED 1 Yes 2 No	246	CHAR(1)
	S04A 7e		
MED_CARE		247	CHAR(1)
SS_RRQ	During the past 12 months, how many Social Security or Railroad Retirement payments did the member receive?	228	NUM(4)
	S04A 7f		
SS_RRQ_		232	CHAR(1)
US_SUPP	During the past 12 months, did the member receive any Supplemental Security Income checks from the U.S. Government? CODED 1 Yes 2 No	212	CHAR(1)
	S04A 8a		
US_SUPP_		213	CHAR(1)
STA_SUPP	During the past 12 months, did the member receive any Supplemental Security Income checks from the State or local government? CODED 1 Yes 2 No	192	CHAR(1)
	S04A 8b		
STAUPP		193	CHAR(1)
FSS_RRXM	Amount of Social Security and Railroad Retirement income prior to deductions for medical insurance and Medicare received by all CU members in past 12 months (Sum SOCRRXM from MEMB file for all CU members)	2150	NUM(10.1)

FSS_RXM		2160	CHAR(1)
FSS_RRX1		2161	NUM(8)
FSS_RRX2		2169	NUM(8)
FSS_RRX3		2177	NUM(8)
FSS_RRX4		2185	NUM(8)
FSS_RRX5		2193	NUM(8)
FSS_RRXI		2201	NUM(3)
BSNSXM	Amount of income or loss from nonfarm business, partnership or professional practice received in past 12 months *L	313	NUM(11.1)
BSNSXM_		324	CHAR(1)
BSNSX1		325	NUM(9)
BSNSX2		334	NUM(9)
BSNSX3		343	NUM(9)
BSNSX4		352	NUM(9)
BSNSX5		361	NUM(9)
BSNSXI		370	NUM(3)
BSNSB	Could you tell me which range best reflects the member's income or loss from the member's own nonfarm business, partnership or professional practice during the last 12 months? 00 Loss 01 \$0-\$4,999 02 \$5,000-\$9,999 03 \$10,000-\$14,999 04 \$15,000-\$14,999 05 \$20,000-\$19,999 06 \$30,000-\$39,999 07 \$40,000-\$49,999 08 \$50,000-\$69,999 09 \$70,000-\$89,999 10 \$90,000-\$119,999 11 \$120,000 and over	724	CHAR(2)
BSNSB_		726	CHAR(1)
BSNSBX	Median of bracket range	727	NUM(6)
BSNSBX_		733	CHAR(1)

FARMXM	During the past 12 months, what was the amount of income or loss from the member's own farm after expenses? *L	373	NUM(11.1)
FARMXM_		384	CHAR(1)
FARMX1		385	NUM(9)
FARMX2		394	NUM(9)
FARMX3		403	NUM(9)
FARMX4		412	NUM(9)
FARMX5		421	NUM(9)
FARMXI		430	NUM(3)
FARMB	Could you tell me which range best reflects the member's income or loss from the member's own farm during the last 12 months? 00 Loss 01 \$0-\$4,999 02 \$5,000-\$9,999 03 \$10,000-\$14,999 04 \$15,000-\$19,999 05 \$20,000-\$19,999 06 \$30,000-\$29,999 06 \$30,000-\$29,999 07 \$40,000-\$49,999 08 \$50,000-\$69,999 09 \$70,000-\$89,999 10 \$90,000-\$119,999 11 \$120,000 and over	734	CHAR(2)
FARMB_		736	CHAR(1)
FARMBX	Median of bracket range	737	NUM(6)
FARMBX_		743	CHAR(1)
SS_RRXM	What was the amount of the last Social Security or Railroad Retirement payment received? (In past 12 months)	562	NUM(10.1)
SS_RRXM_		572	CHAR(1)
SS_RRX1		573	NUM(8)
SS_RRX2		581	NUM(8)
SS_RRX3		589	NUM(8)
SS_RRX4		597	NUM(8)
SS_RRX5	52	605	NUM(8)

SS_RRXI		613	NUM(3)
SS_RRB	Could you tell me which range best reflects the amount of the member's last Social Security or Railroad Retirement payment during the last 12 months? 01 Less than \$300 02 \$300-\$399 03 \$400-\$499 04 \$500-\$499 05 \$600-\$699 06 \$700-\$799 07 \$800-\$899 08 \$900-\$999 09 \$1,000-\$1499 10 \$1,500 and over	744	CHAR(2)
SS_RRB_		746	CHAR(1)
SS_RRBX	Median of bracket range	747	NUM(6)
SS_RRBX_		753	CHAR(1)
SUPPXM	During the past 12 months, how much did the member receive in Supplemental Security Income checks altogether? (From U.S. Government and State or local Government)	616	NUM(10.1)
SUPPXM_		626	CHAR(1)
SUPPX1		627	NUM(8)
SUPPX2		635	NUM(8)
SUPPX3		643	NUM(8)
SUPPX4		651	NUM(8)
SUPPX5		659	NUM(8)
SUPPXI		667	NUM(3)
SUPPB	Could you tell me which range best reflects the amount the member received in Supplemental Security income from all government sources during the last 12 months? 01 \$0-\$999 02 \$1,000-\$1,999 03 \$2,000-\$2,999 04 \$3,000-\$2,999 05 \$4,000-\$3,999 06 \$5,000-\$4,999 06 \$5,000-\$9,999 07 \$10,000-\$14,999 08 \$15,000-\$19,999 09 \$20,000-\$29,999	754	CHAR(2)

10	\$30,000-\$39,999
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11 \$40,000-\$49,999

12 \$50,000 and over

SUPPB_		756	CHAR(1)
SUPPBX	Median of bracket range	757	NUM(6)
SUPPBX_		763	CHAR(1)
WAGEXM	During the past 12 months, what was the amount of wages or salary income received before any deductions?	670	NUM(10.1)
WAGEXM_		680	CHAR(1)
WAGEX1		681	NUM(8)
WAGEX2		689	NUM(8)
WAGEX3		697	NUM(8)
WAGEX4		705	NUM(8)
WAGEX5		713	NUM(8)
WAGEXI		721	NUM(3)
WAGEB	Could you tell me which range best reflects the member's total wages and salaries for ALL JOBS during the last 12 months?	764	CHAR(2)
	01 \$0-\$4,999 02 \$5,000-\$9,999 03 \$10,000-\$14,999		
	04 \$15,000-\$19,999 05 \$20,000-\$29,999 06 \$30,000-\$39,999 07 \$40,000-\$49,999 08 \$50,000-\$69,999 09 \$70,000-\$89,999 10 \$90,000-\$119,999 11 \$120,000 and over		
WAGEB_	05 \$20,000-\$29,999 06 \$30,000-\$39,999 07 \$40,000-\$49,999 08 \$50,000-\$69,999 09 \$70,000-\$89,999 10 \$90,000-\$119,999	766	CHAR(1)
WAGEB_ WAGEBX	05 \$20,000-\$29,999 06 \$30,000-\$39,999 07 \$40,000-\$49,999 08 \$50,000-\$69,999 09 \$70,000-\$89,999 10 \$90,000-\$119,999	766 767	CHAR(1) NUM(6)

e. <u>TAXES</u>

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VARIABLE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	START POSITION	FORMAT
FEDTXX	How much was deducted from the member's last pay for Federal income tax?		NUM(8)
	S04A 10a		
FEDTXX_		94	CHAR(1)
STATXX	How much was deducted from the member's last pay for state and local income tax?	194	NUM(8)
	S04A 10b		
STATXX_		202	CHAR(1)
ANFEDTXM	Annualized amount of Federal income tax deducted from last pay ((FEDTXX/GROSPAYX) x WAGEM)	268	NUM(8)
ANFE_TXM		276	CHAR(1)
ANSTATXM	Annualized amount of state and local income taxes deducted from last pay ((STATXX/GROSPAYX) x WAGEM)	304	NUM(8)
ANST_TXM		312	CHAR(1)

f. RETIREMENT AND PENSION DEDUCTIONS

VARIABLE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	START POSITION	FORMAT
RRX	How much was deducted from the member's last pay for Railroad Retirement?	153	NUM(8)
	S04A 10d		
RRX_		161	CHAR(1)
GVX	How much was deducted from the member's last pay for Government Retirement?	104	NUM(8)
	S04A 10e		
GVX_		112	CHAR(1)
PVTX	How much was deducted from the member's last pay for private pension fund?	e 142	NUM(8)
	S04A 10f		
PVTX_		150	CHAR(1)

IRAX	During the past 12 months, how much money did the member place in a retirement plan such as Individual Retirement Account (IRA & Keogh)? (Exclude rollovers)	117	NUM(8)
	S04A 13b		
IRAX_		125	CHAR(1)
ANGVXM	Annualized amount of Government Retirement deducted from last pay ((GVX/GROSPAYX) x WAGEM)	277	NUM(8)
ANGVXM_		285	CHAR(1)
ANPVTXM	Annualized amount of private pensions deducted from last pay ((PVTX/GROSPAYX) x WAGEM)	286	NUM(8)
ANPVTXM_		294	CHAR(1)
ANRRXM	Annualized amount of Railroad Retirement deducted from last pay ((RRX/GROSPAYX) x WAGEM)	295	NUM(8)
ANRRXM_		303	CHAR(1)
JSSDEDXM	Estimated amount of income contributed to Social Security by member in past 12 months	433	NUM(8.1)
JSSD_DXM		441	CHAR(1)
JSSDEDX1		442	NUM(6)
JSSDEDX2		448	NUM(6)
JSSDEDX3		454	NUM(6)
JSSDEDX4		460	NUM(6)
JSSDEDX5		466	NUM(6)
SLFEMPSM	Amount of income contributed to Social Security by member if self-employed	472	NUM(8.1)
SLFE_PSM		480	CHAR(1)
SLFEMPS1		481	NUM(6)
SLFEMPS2		487	NUM(6)
SLFEMPS3		493	NUM(6)
SLFEMPS4		499	NUM(6)
SLFEMPS5		505	NUM(6)
SOCRRXM	Annual amount of Social Security and Railroad Retirement income received by member in past 12 months	511	NUM(10.1)

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SOCRRXM_	521	CHAR(1)
SOCRRX1	522	NUM(8)
SOCRRX2	530	NUM(8)
SOCRRX3	538	NUM(8)
SOCRRX4	546	NUM(8)
SOCRRX5	554	NUM(8)

3. DETAILED EXPENDITURES (EXPN) FILE

In the "EXPN" file, each expenditure recorded by a CU in a weekly diary is identified by UCC, gift/nongift status, and day on which the expenditure occurred. UCC's are six digit codes that identify items or groups of items. (See Appendix 2.A for a listing of UCC's.) There may be more than one record for a UCC on a single day if that is what was reported in the diary. There are no missing values in this file. If no expenditure was recorded for the item(s) represented by a UCC, then there is no record for the UCC on file.

VARIABLE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	START POSITION	FORMAT
NEWID	CU identification number. Digits 1-7 (CU sequence number, 1 through 9999999) uniquely identify the CU. Digit 8 is the week number, 1 or 2	1	NUM(8)
	BLS derived		
ALLOC	Adjustment status for cost variable CODED 0 Not allocated or topcoded 1 Allocated, not topcoded 2 Topcoded and allocated 3 Topcoded, not allocated	9	CHAR(1)
	BLS derived		
COST	Total cost of item, including sales tax	10	NUM(12,5)
	BLS derived		
GIFT	Was item bought for someone outside the CU? CODED 1 Yes 2 No	22	CHAR(1)
	BLS derived		
PUB_FLAG	Is cost included in published reports? CODED 1 Not published 2 Published in Integrated reports 57	23	CHAR(1)

	BLS derived		
QREDATE	Purchase date recode field Consists of: Sequential day of the Diary week (1-7) Day of the week, Sunday through Saturday (1-7) Reference month of this expenditure, (01-12) Reference day of this expenditure, (01-31) Reference year of this expenditure, (0000-9999)	24	CHAR(10)
	BLS derived		
QREDATE_		34	CHAR(1)
UCC	Universal Classification Code See Section XIII.A. Appendix A for a listing of EXPN UCC codes and titles	35	CHAR(6)
*MEALTYPE	BLS derived New variable added to collect information about type of meal N(051)	3084	CHAR(1)
*MEAL_YPE	N(051)	3085	CHAR(1)
*VENDOR	New variable added to collect information about where food was purchased N(051)	3086	CHAR(1)
*VENDOR_	N(051)	3087	CHAR(1)
*TYPEALC	New variable added to collect information about type of alcohol purchased N(051)	3088	CHAR(3)
*TYPEALC_	N(051)	3091	CHAR(1)
*BEER	New variable to show whether beer was purchased as part of meal N(051)	3092	CHAR(1)
*BEER_	N(051)	3093	CHAR(1)
*WINE	New variable to show whether wine was purchased as pat of meal N(051)	3094	CHAR(1)
*WINE_	N(051)	3095	CHAR(1)
*OTHALC	New variable to show whether other alcohol drinks were purchased as part of meal N(051)	3096	CHAR(1)
*OTHALC_	N(051)	3097	CHAR(1)
*CLOTHAGE	New variable added to collect information about age of person whom purchase was for N(051)	3098	CHAR(1)

*CLOT_AGE	N(051)	3099	CHAR(1)
*CLOTHSEX	New variable added to collect information about sex of person purchase was for N(051)	3100	CHAR(1)
*CLOT_SEX	N(051)	3101	CHAR(1)
*AGE_SEX	Variable created from CLOTHAGE and CLOTHSEX N(051)	3102	CHAR(1)
*AGE_SEX_	N(051)	3103	CHAR(1)

4. INCOME (DTAB) FILE

The "DTAB" file, also referred to as the "Income" file, contains CU characteristic and income data. This file is created directly from the FMLY file and contains the same annual and point-of-placement data. It was created to facilitate computer processing when linking CU income and demographic characteristic data with EXPN expenditure data. As such, the file structure is similar to EXPN. Each characteristic and income item is identified by UCC (See Section XIII.B for a listing of UCCs). There are no records with missing values in DTAB. If the corresponding FMLY file variable contained a missing value, there is no record for the UCC.

VARIABLE		START POSITION	FORMAT
NEWID	CU identification number. Digits 1-7 (CU sequence number, 1 through 9999999) uniquely identify the CU. Digit 8 is the week number, 1 or 2	1	NUM(8)
	BLS derived		
UCC	Universal Classification Code See Section XIII for a listing of DTAB UCC codes and titles	9	CHAR(6)
	BLS derived		
AMOUNT	Amount of UCC	15	NUM(12)
	BLS derived		
AMOUNT_	CODED T – Topcoded Blank Not topcoded	27	CHAR(1)
	BLS derived		
PUB_FLAG	Is amount included in published reports? CODED 1 Not published 2 Published in Integrated reports	28	CHAR(1)
	BLS derived		

5. INCOME (DTAB_IMPUTED) FILE

As a result of the introduction of multiply imputed income data in the Consumer Expenditure Survey, the DTAB_IMPUTE file is a new file on the Microdata, beginning in 2004Q1. It is very similar to the DTAB file, except that the variable "IMPNUM" will indicate the number (1-5) of the imputation variant of

the income variable.

VARIABLE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	START POSITION	FORMAT
NEWID	CU identification number. Digits 1-7 (CU sequence number, 1 through 9999999) uniquely identify the CU. Digit 8 is the week number, 1 or 2	1	NUM(8)
	BLS derived		
UCC	Universal Classification Code See Section XIII for a listing of DTAB UCC codes and titles	9	CHAR(6)
	BLS derived		
PUB_FLAG	Is amount included in published reports? CODED 1 Not published 2 Published in Integrated reports	15	CHAR(1)
	BLS derived		
AMOUNT	Amount of UCC	16	NUM(12)
	BLS derived		
AMOUNT_	CODED T – Topcoded Blank Not topcoded	28	CHAR(1)
	BLS derived		
IMPNUM	The number (1-5) of the imputation variant for the particular income variable	29	CHAR(1)

5. PROCESSING FILES

a. <u>Dstub file</u>

X:\Programs\Dstub.txt

The Dstub file shows the aggregation scheme used in the published consumer expenditure tables. It is formatted as follows:

DESCRIPTION	START POSITION	FORMAT
Type: represents whether information in this line contains aggregation data or not	1	CHAR(1)
Level: aggregation level (lowest number is highest level of aggregation)	4	CHAR(1)
Title: title of the line item	7	CHAR(60)
UCC: UCC number in the MTAB or ITAB file	70	CHAR(6)
Survey: Indicates survey source (I = interview, G = Aggregated item)	80	CHAR(1)
Group: Indicates if the item is and expenditure, income, or asset	86	CHAR(7)

Note: this file is an internal BLS file used for processing expenditures. It has other information that may be ignored by users of the public use data.

b. UCC file

X:\DIARY05\UCCD05.TXT

The UCC file contains UCCs and their abbreviated titles, identifying the expenditure, income, or demographic item represented by each UCC. It is formatted as follows:

DESCRIPTION	START POSITION	FORMAT
UCC	1	CHAR(6)
UCC title See Section XIII.A. EXPENDITURE UCCS ON EXPN FILE and XIII.B. INCOME AND RELATED UCCS ON DTAB FILE for a list of UCCs and their full title by file – expenditure (EXPN) or income (DTAB)	8	CHAR(50)

c. Sample program files

Interview program - Intrvw Mean and SE.sas Diary program - Diary Mean and SE.sas Integrated program - Integrated Mean and SE.sas Interview Summary Variable program - Intrvw Sumvars.sas

The sample program file (X:\PROGRAMS\Diary Mean and SE.sas) contains the computer program used in Section VII.A. SAMPLE PROGRAM of the documentation. This file has been created to provide programming assistance.

IV. TOPCODING AND OTHER NONDISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

Sensitive CU data are changed so that users will not be able to identify CUs who participated in the survey. Topcoding refers to the replacement of data in cases where the value of the original data exceeds prescribed critical values. Critical values for each variable containing sensitive data are calculated in accordance with Census Disclosure Review Board guidelines. Each observation that falls outside the critical value is replaced with a topcoded value that represents the mean of the subset of all outlying observations. All four quarters of data in the CE microdata release are used when calculating the critical value and topcode amount. If an observation is topcoded, the flag variable assigned to that observation is set to 'T'.

Since the critical value and the mean of the set of values outside the critical value may differ with each annual (four-quarter) release, the topcode values may change annually and be applied at a different starting point. By topcoding values in this manner, the first moment will be preserved for each fourquarter data release when using the total sample. This, however, will not be the case when means are estimated by characteristic, because topcode values are not calculated by characteristic.

A. CU CHARACTERISTICS AND INCOME FILE (FMLY)

The following FMLY file variables are subject to topcoding.

AGE_REF AGE2	Age of reference person Age of spouse
ADDFEDX	Amount of Federal income tax paid in addition to that withheld
ADDFEDA	
ADDSTAX	Amount of other taxes paid but not reported elsewhere Amount of state and local income tax paid in addition to that withheld
ALIOTHXM, ALIOTHX1-5	Amount received from regular contributions by all CU members
CHDLMPX	Amount received by all CU members for a lump sum child support payment in last 12 months
CHDOTHXM, CHDOTHX1-5	Amount received by all CU members in last 12 months for other child support
DIVXM, DIVX1-5	Amount received from dividends, royalties, estates, or trusts
FEDREFX	Amount of refund from Federal income tax
INSREFX	Amount of refund from insurance policies
INTXM, INTX1-5	Amount received from interest on savings accounts, or bonds
LUMPX	Amount from lump sum payments from estates, trusts, royalties, alimony, child support, prizes, games of chance, or persons outside CU
OCCEXPNX	Amount paid by CU for occupational expenses, last 12 months
OTHINXM,	Amount from other money income, including money from care of foster children, cash
OTHINX1-5	scholarships and fellowships, or stipends, not based on working
OTHREFX	Amount of refund from other sources, including any other taxes
OTHRNTXM,	Amount of net income or loss received from other rental units
OTHRNTX1-5	
PENSIONM,	Amount received from pensions or annuities from private companies, military or
PENSION1-5	government, IRA or Keogh
PTAXREFX	Amount of refund from property taxes
ROOMXM,	Amount of net income or loss received from roomers or boarders
ROOMX1-5	
SALEX	Amount received from sale of household furnishings, equipment, clothing, jewelry, pets
	or other belongings, excluding sale of vehicles or property
SSREFX	Amount of refund from overpayment on Social Security
STATREFX	Amount of refund from state or local income tax
TAXPROPX	Amount of personal property taxes paid but not reported elsewhere

The critical values and topcode values associated with the above variables follow. For multiply imputed income variables, it is possible for an upper topcode value to be less than the upper critical value or for a lower topcode value to be greater than the lower critical value.

ALIOTHXM,	critical value	<u>critical value</u>	2005 Upper <u>topcode value</u>	2005 Lower topcode value
ALIOTHX1-5	35,000	-	128,510	-
CHDLMPX	5,000	-	8,800	-
CHDOTHXM,				
CHDOTHX1-5	18,000	-	22,069	-
DIVXM, DIVX1-5	40,000	-	48,378	-
FEDREFX	7,129	-	12,090	-
INSREFX	4,500	-	10,500	-
,	,	-	,	-
-	,	-	,	-
	5,000	-	12,780	-
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	,	-	,	-
	1,700	-	20,062	-
	==	40.000		
	55,100	-10,000	36,090	-11,391
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	,	-	,	-
	1,500	-	2,927	-
,	20,000	14 400	22 604	7 706
	,	-14,400	,	-1,120
	,	-	110,750	-
	,	-	2 2 2 7	-
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		-		-
DIVXM, DIVX1-5 FEDREFX	40,000 7,129	- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	48,378 12,090	-11,39 -7,726

Some income variables that are subject to topcoding are constructed by summing up the values of "lower level" MEMB or FMLY file component variables. These variables are not topcoded by the conventional method of replacement with a topcode value. Instead the variables' components are summed normally and the variables are flagged as topcoded if one of their component variables is topcoded.

Following are the income variables that are calculated using values of their component variables. (See the descriptions of each variable in Sections III.E.1.e. INCOME - III.E.1.h. RETIREMENT AND PENSION DEDUCTIONS for a list of component variables.)

EARNX	Amount of CU income from earnings before taxes
FBSNSXM,	Amount of income from non-farm business
FBSNSX1-5	
FFARMXM,	Amount of income or loss received from own farm
FFARMX1-5	
FFEDTXX	Amount of Federal tax deducted from last pay, annualized for all CU members
FGVXM,	Amount of government retirement deducted from last pay, annualized for all CU members
FGVX1-5	
FINCAFTM,	Amount of CU income after taxes
FINCAFT1-5	

FINCBEFM, FINCBEF1-5	Amount of CU income before taxes
FIRAX	Amount of money placed in individual retirement plan
FJSSDEDM,	Estimated amount of annual Social Security contribution
FJSSDED1-5	
FPVTXM	Amount of private pension fund deducted from last pay, annualized for all CU members
FRRXM	Amount of Railroad Retirement deducted from last pay, annualized for all CU members
FSTATXXM,	Amount of State and local income taxes deducted from last pay, annualized for all CU
FSTATXX1-5	members
FWAGEXM,	Amount received from wage and salary income before deduction
FWAGEX1-5	
OTHRECX	Amount of other money receipts excluded from family income
PERSTAXM,	Amount of personal taxes paid
PERSTAX1-5	

Here are some examples of situations that may occur. The value for the variable FBSNSXM (family income from nonfarm business) is computed as the sum of the values reported for the variable BSNSXM (member income from nonfarm business) from the MEMB file. BSNSXM is subject to topcoding beyond the critical value of \$150,000 (-\$9,999). The topcode value for BSNSXM is \$162,145 (-\$11,686).

BSNSXM				FBS	NSXM
			AFTER		FLAGGED AS
<u>CU</u>		<u>REPORTED</u>	<u>TOPCODING</u>	VALUE	TOPCODED?
CU 1:	MEMB1	\$145,000	\$145,000		
	MEMB2	145,000	145,000		
	MEMB3	20,000	20,000	310,000	No
CU 2:	MEMB1	354,000	162,145		
	MEMB2	-15,000	-11,686		
	MEMB3	-29,000	-11,686	138,773	Yes
CU 3	MEMB1	155,000	162,145		
	MEMB2	130,000	130,000	292,145	Yes
CU 4	MEMB1	140,000	140,000		
	MEMB2	140,000	140,000		
	MEMB3	-300,000	-11,686	268,314	Yes

While CUs 1 and 2 each originally report a total of \$310,000 for all members in BSNSXM, topcoding is done only on the values reported by the members of CU2. Thus, the value for FBSNSXM for CU2 is lower than for CU1 and is flagged as topcoded while CU1 is not. By using the mean of the subset of observations that are above (below) the critical value as the topcode amount, values on the public use data can be either below or above the actual reported value. Note that while CU2 has a topcoded value below the reported value, CU3's topcoded FBSNSXM value (\$292,145) is higher than the amount that it reported (\$285,000). The case of CU4 demonstrates that the reported value for FBSNSXM can be negative, while the topcoded value can be positive. The reverse can also occur.

The value of the variable, STATE, which identifies state of residence, must be suppressed for some observations to meet the Census Disclosure Review Board's criterion that the smallest geographically identifiable area have a population of at least 100,000. STATE data were evaluated vis-à-vis variables POPSIZE, REGION, and BLS_URBN, which show the population size of the geographic area that is sampled, the four Census regions, and the urban/rural status respectively. Some STATE codes were suppressed because, in combination with these variables, they could be used to identify

areas of 100,000 or less. On approximately 17 percent of the records on the FMLY files the STATE variable is blank.

A small proportion of STATE codes are replaced with codes of states other than the state where the CU resides. By re-coding in this manner, suppression of POPSIZE and REGION may be avoided. (In past releases selected observations of POPSIZE and REGION also required suppression.) If an observation of a CU's state of residence is re-coded with another state's code, the flag variable.

		_	
^{RR} 01	Alabama	^R 28	Mississippi
02	Alaska	29	Missouri
04	Arizona	*30	Montana
*05	Arkansas	31	Nebraska
^{RR} **06	California	RR32	Nevada
**08	Colorado	33	New Hampshire
09	Connecticut	34	New Jersey
10	Delaware	**36	New York
		^{RR} **37	
11	District of Columbia	^{RR} **39	North Carolina
12 ^{RR} **13	Florida		Ohio
	Georgia	40 BR	Oklahoma
15	Hawaii	^{RR} **41	Oregon
16	Idaho	42	Pennsylvania
<u>**</u> 17	Illinois	44	Rhode Island
^{RR} 18	Indiana	45	South Carolina
**20	Kansas	*46	South Dakota
^{RR} 21	Kentucky	^{RR} **47	Tennessee
22	•	^{RR} **48	Texas
	Louisiana		
**23	Maine	_ 49	Utah
24	Maryland	^{RR} 51	Virginia
25	Massachusetts	53	Washington
^{RR} 26	Michigan	^{RR} 54	West Virginia
^{RR} 27	Minnesota	^{RR} **55	Wisconsin

- * indicates that the STATE code has been suppressed for all sampled CUs in that state.
- ** indicates that the STATE code has been suppressed for some sampled CUs in that state.
- R indicates that either all observations from this state have been re-coded or all strata¹ of observations from this state include "re-codes" from other states.
- RR indicates that either some observations from this state have been re-coded or at least one stratum¹ of observations from this state includes "re-codes" from other states.
- R* indicates that the STATE code has been suppressed for some sampled CUs in that state and, either STATE has been re-coded or the state includes "re-codes" from other states in all strata¹.
- STATE has been re-coded or the state includes "re-codes" from other states in at least one stratum¹.

¹ A STATE stratum is a unique POPSIZE and BLS_URBN combination.

States not listed are not in the CE sample.

B. MEMBER CHARACTERISTICS AND INCOME FILE (MEMB)

The following MEMB file variables are subject to topcoding.

AGE ANFEDTXM ANGVXM ANPVTXM ANRRXM ANSTATXM BSNSXM, BSNSX1-5	Age of member Annual amount of Federal income tax deducted from pay Annual amount of government retirement deducted from pay Annual amount of private pension fund deducted from pay Annual amount of Railroad Retirement deducted from pay Annual amount of state and local income taxes deducted from pay Amount of income or loss received from nonfarm business
FARMXM, FARMX1-5	Amount of income or loss received from own farm
FEDTXX GROSPAYX	Amount of Federal income tax deducted from last pay Amount of last gross pay
GVX IRAX	Amount of government retirement deducted from last pay Amount of money placed in an individual retirement plan
JSSDEDXM, JSSDEDX1-5	Estimated annual Social Security contribution
PVTX	Amount of private pension fund deducted from last pay
rrx Slfempsm.	Amount of Railroad Retirement deducted from last pay Amount of self-employment Social Security contributions
SLFEMPS1-5	Amount of self-employment social security contributions
STATXX	Amount of state and local income taxes deducted from last pay
WAGEXM, WAGEX1-5	Amount received from wage and salary income before deductions

The critical values and topcode values associated with the above variables follow. For multiply imputed income variables, it is possible for an upper topcode value to be less than the upper critical value or for a lower topcode value to be greater than the lower critical value.

Variable	2005 Upper critical Value	2005 Lower critical Value	2005 Upper topcode value	2005 Lower topcode value
AGE	81	-	<u>86</u>	-
ANFEDTXM	22,500	-	39,553	-
ANGVXM	8,700	-	10,016	-
ANPVTXM	17,000	-	36,300	-
ANRRXM	6,300	-	-	-
ANSTATXM	7,544	-	11,609	-
BSNSXM,				
BSNSX1-5	150,000	-9,999	162,145	-11686
FARMXM,				
FARMX1-5	150,000	-9,999	-	-21,056
FEDTXX	1,075	-	3,030	-
GROSPAYX	6,000	-	13,762	-
GVX	570	-	1,374	-
IRAX	18,000	-	65,633	-
JSSDEDXM,				
JSSDEDX1-5	7,755	-	8,140	-
PVTX	1,000	-	5,899	-
RRX	0.00	-	933	-
SLFEMPSM,	10.010		0.400	
SLFEMPS1-5	12,240	-	9,160	-
STATXX WAGEXM,	350	-	830	-
WAGEX1-5	150,000	-	191,587	-

Special suppression for MEMB file variables

The five MEMB file variables--FEDTXX, GVX, PVTX, RRX, and STATXX--describe deductions from the most recent pay. These variables are used in conjunction with GROSPAYX (amount of last gross pay) and WAGEX (annual wage and salary income) to derive ANFEDTXM, ANGVXM, ANPVTXM, ANRRXM, and ANSTATXM, which represent the estimated annual deductions for each of these income deduction categories. For example, the estimated annual Federal income tax deduction from pay is calculated as

(1) ANFEDTXM = (WAGEXM (FEDTXX/GROSPAYX)).

Note that WAGEX can be estimated by using the above terms and rearranging such that

(2) WAGEXM = (ANFEDTXM (GROSPAYX/FEDTXX)).

In the above example, a problem with disclosure may arise when neither ANFEDTXM, GROSPAYX, nor FEDTXX (calculation components) are topcoded, *but WAGEXM is.* In this situation WAGEXM can be recalculated to obtain its original value by inserting the non-topcoded values into equation (2) and solving it. In order to prevent this, the non-topcoded terms in equation (2) will be suppressed (blanked out) and their associated flags will be assigned a value of 'T'.

The following chart describes in detail the specific rules that are applied to prevent the potential disclosure outlined above.

If WAGEXM is greater than the critical value but ANFEDTXM, GROSPAYX, and FEDTXX are not, then the values for ANFEDTXM, GROSPAYX, and FEDTXX are suppressed and their flag variables are assigned a value of 'T'.

If WAGEXM is greater than the critical value but ANGVXM, GROSPAYX, and GVX are not, then the values for ANGVXM, GROSPAYX, and GVX are suppressed and their flag variables assigned a value of 'T'.

If WAGEXM is greater than the critical value but ANPVTXM, GROSPAYX, and PVTX are not, then the values for ANPVTXM, GROSPAYX, and PVTX are suppressed and their flag variables assigned a value of 'T'.

If WAGEXM is greater than the critical value but ANRRXM, GROSPAYX, and RRX are not, then the values for ANRRXM, GROSPAYX, and RRX are suppressed and their flag variables assigned a value of 'T'.

If WAGEXM is greater than the critical value but ANSTATXM, GROSPAYX, and STATXX are not, then the values for ANSTATXM, GROSPAYX, and STATXX are suppressed and their flag variables assigned a value of 'T'.

C. DETAILED EXPENDITURE FILE (EXPN)

The EXPN variable COST is subject to topcoding for the following UCCs.

UCC Description

- 001000 Purchase price of stocks, bonds, mutual funds
- 009000 Mortgage payment including coop
- 210110 Rent of dwelling, includes parking fees
- 210210 Lodging away from home
- 210310 Housing for someone at school
- 210900 Ground or land rent
- 550320 Medical equipment for general use
- 550330 Supportive convalescent or medical equipment

560110	Physicians' services
560210	Dental services
560310	Eyecare services
560330	Lab tests and x-rays
560400	Service by professionals other than physicians
570000	Hospital care not specified
570220	Nursing or convalescent home care
570230	Other medical care service

570901 Rental of medical equipment

If the value of COST is greater (less) than the designated critical values for the above UCCs, COST is set to the topcode value and the associated flag variable, COST_, is set to 'T'. The critical values and topcode values (rounded to the nearest dollar) of the variable COST that are associated with the above UCCs follow.

Variable_	2005 Upper <u>critical value</u>	2005 Lower <u>critical value</u>	2005 Upper <u>topcode value</u>	2005 Lower topcode value	
					(ALLOC EQ '2' OR ALLOC EQ
001000	523	3	- 5,574	f -	- '3')
000000	2.04/	-	0.00		(ALLOC EQ '2' OR ALLOC EQ
009000	3,018	0	- 3,624	+ -	- '3') (ALLOC EQ '2' OR ALLOC EQ
210110	1,590)	- 2,364	1 -	(ALLOU EQ 2 ON ALLOU EQ - '3')
210110	1,000		2,00	•	(ALLOC EQ '2' OR ALLOC EQ
210210	456	6	- 755	5 -	- '3')
					(ÁLLOC EQ '2' OR ALLOC EQ
210310	0.00)	- 7,688	3 -	- '3')
					(ALLOC EQ '2' OR ALLOC EQ
210900	4.00	-	-		- '3')
220400	4,996	Ď	- 31,650) -	
550320	87	7	- 117	7	(ALLOC EQ '2' OR ALLOC EQ - '3')
550520	01		- 117	-	(ALLOC EQ '2' OR ALLOC EQ
550330	535	5	- 3,112		- '3')
			0,11	-	(ALLOC EQ '2' OR ALLOC EQ
560110	189	9	- 315	5 -	- '3')
					(ALLOC EQ '2' OR ALLOC EQ
560210	85	1	- 1,341	I -	- '3')
					(ALLOC EQ '2' OR ALLOC EQ
560310	250)	- 1,359) -	- '3')
560220	260	2	250	b	(ALLOC EQ '2' OR ALLOC EQ
560330	266)	- 352		- '3') (ALLOC EQ '2' OR ALLOC EQ
560400	330	1	- 716	3	(ALLOU EQ 2 ON ALLOU EQ - '3')
000400	000		710	•	(ALLOC EQ '2' OR ALLOC EQ
570000	67 ²	1	- 750) -	- '3')
					(ALLOC EQ '2' OR ALLOC EQ
570220	0.00)	- 2,515	5 -	- '3')
					(ALLOC EQ '2' OR ALLOC EQ
570230	252	2	- 639) -	- '3')
======	-			_	(ALLOC EQ '2' OR ALLOC EQ
570901	24 20 - 1 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2	1	- 47	·	- '3')

The following UCCs have a critical value but no topcode amount. This implies that there are no observations outside the critical value on the current four-quarter release.

D. INCOME FILE (DTAB)

The DTAB variable AMOUNT is subject to topcoding for the following UCCs.

UCC	Description
900040	Amount received from pensions or annuities
900050	Amount received from regular income from dividends, royalties, estates or trusts
900060	Amount received from net income or loss received from roomers or boarders
900070	Amount received from net income or loss received from other rental units
900080	Amount received from interest on savings accounts or bonds
900131	Amount received from other child support payments
900132	Amount received from other regular contributions, including alimony
900140	Amount received from other money income
910000	Amount received from lump sum payments from estates, trusts, etc.
910010	Amount received from money from sale household furnishings etc.
910020	Amount of overpayment on Social Security
910030	Amount of refund from insurance policies
910040	Amount of refunds from property taxes
910041	Amount received from lump sum child support payments received
950000	Amount of Federal income tax paid
950001	Amount received from Federal income tax refunds
950010	Amount of state/local income tax paid
950011	Amount received from State/local income tax refunds
950021	Amount of other taxes paid
950022	Amount of personal property taxes paid
950023	Amount of other tax refund received from other sources
980020	Age of reference person

If AMOUNT is greater (less) than the designated critical values for the above UCCs, AMOUNT is set to the topcode value and the associated flag variable, AMOUNT_, is set to 'T'. The critical values and topcode values (rounded to the nearest dollar) of the variable AMOUNT that are associated with the above UCCs follow.

Variable	2005 Upper <u>critical Value</u>	2005 Lower <u>critical Value</u>	2005 Upper <u>topcode value</u>	2005 Lower <u>topcode value</u>
900040	60,000	-	71,867	-
900050	40,000	-	48,378	-
900060	20,000	-14,400	23,604	-7,726
900070	55,100	-10000	36,090	-11,391
900080	35,000	-	111,793	-
900131	18,000	-	22,069	-
900132	35,000	-	128,510	-
900140	35,000	-	87,354	-
910000	100,000	-	415,450	-
910010	20,000	-	113,889	-
910020	3,000	-	-	-
910030	4,500	-	10,500	-
910040	1,500	-	2,927	-
910041	5,000	-	8,800	-
950000	30,000	-	63,568	-
950001	-	-7,129	-	-12,090
950010	6,000	-	10,346	-
950011	-	-2,000	-	-3,387
950021	7,580	-	13,236	-
950022	1,135	-	1,870	-
950023	-	-1,700	-	-20,062
980020	81	-	86	-

¹ ADDFEDX (amount of Federal tax paid in addition to that withheld) and FFEDTXX (Federal tax withheld from last pay annualized for all CU members) are both mapped to UCC 950000 as separate records. Records for UCC 950000 that represent FFEDTXX are topcoded through their components (ANFEDTXM) at the MEMB level and thus, these records will not have a DTAB critical value. DTAB records for UCC 950000 that represent ADDFEDX are topcoded for all amounts greater than \$30,000

² ADDSTAX (amount of state and local taxes paid in addition to that withheld) and FSTATXX (state and local income tax deduction from last pay annualized for all CU members) are both mapped to UCC 950010 as separate records. Records for UCC 950010 that represent FSTATXX are topcoded through their components (ANSTATXM) at the MEMB level and thus, these records will not have a DTAB critical value. Create the DTAB VALUE field for these records by dividing FSTATXX by 12. If FSLTAXX is topcoded, then set VALUE_ to 'T'. DTAB records for UCC 950010 that represent ADDSTAX are topcoded for all amounts greater than \$5,000

AMOUNT for the following UCC's is topcoded because the FMLY file variables corresponding to these UCC's are topcoded due to recalculation. (See Section IV.A. CU CHARACTERISTICS AND INCOME FILE on topcoding of FMLY variables.)

UCC	FMLY variable	Description
800910	FGVXM	Amount of government retirement deducted from last pay, annualized for all CU members
800920	FRRXM	Amount of Railroad Retirement deducted from last pay, annualized for all CU members
800931	FPVTXM	Amount of private pension fund deducted from last pay, annualized for all CU members
800932	FIRAX	Amount of money placed in individual retirement plan
800940	FJSSDEDM, FJSSDED1-5	Estimated amount of annual Social Security contribution
900000	FWAGEXM, FWAGEX1-5	Amount received from wage and salary income before deduction
900010	FBSNSXM, FBSNSX1-5	Amount of income from non-farm business
900020	FFARMXM, FFARMX1-5	Amount of income or loss received from own farm
980000	FINCBEFM, FINCBEF1-5	Amount of CU income before taxes
980070	FINCAFTM, FINCAFT1-5	Amount of CU income after taxes

V. ESTIMATION PROCEDURE

This section provides users of the CE Diary microdata files with procedures for estimating means and variances of data associated with any U.S. subpopulation. The production of *Consumer Expenditures in 2005* used an integration methodology which incorporated information from *both* Diary and Interview Surveys. Diary data users will not be able to match published CE estimates because of this. In addition, users will not be able to match all values because of suppression of some values, due to topcoding. See the topcoding and other nondisclosure requirements in Section IV.

A. DEFINITION OF TERMS

Consider the following general situation. We wish to estimate expenditures on certain food items for a special group (subpopulation) of U.S. CUs; for example, all CUs of three persons. Our specific objective is to estimate the expenditures for item k over a period of q months, where data collected over r months are used in the estimate. The following definitions will be helpful in formulating the above type of estimate.

Definition of Terms:

Let

- S = all CUs in the subpopulation of interest
- x = expenditure item(s) of interest
- q = number of months for which estimate is desired
- r = number of months in which expenditures were made to be used in calculating the estimate
- D = number of days in each of the months in which expenditures were made
- j = individual CU in subpopulation S
- *t* = month of expenditure

Then

 $X_{(j,k,t)}$ = the amount of money $CU_{(j)}$ spent on item *k* for a week during month *t* $W_{(j,t,F21)}$ = the weight assigned to $CU_{(j)}$ during month *t*

The F21 denotes FINLWT21 which is used for population estimates.

NOTE: The CUs on the Diary Survey microdata files represent the U.S. population. Some CUs represent more of the population than others; and hence carry more weight. The weight, $W_{(j,t,F21)}$, is a complex estimate of this representation. Refer to Section X.C. WEIGHTING for an explanation of weights. The weights have been adjusted so that the sum of all CU weights for one month approximates one third of the U.S. population. Consequently, the weights for three months (one quarter) of data approximate the total U.S. population.

Using the above terminology, we may define:

 $X_{(S,k)(q,r)}$ as an estimate for the expenditures of subpopulation *S* on item *k* over a period of *q* months, where data collected over *r* months are used.

and

 $\overline{X}_{(S,k)(q,r)}$ as an estimate of the mean expenditures of subpopulation *S* on item *k* over a period of *q* months, where data collected over *r* months are used.

B. ESTIMATION OF TOTAL AND MEAN EXPENDITURES

As an example, let us estimate total expenditures on milk (item *k*) of subpopulation S over a 12month period. Data collected over 6 months will be used to make the estimate. Users may use less than 12 months of data to perform seasonal calculations. In the notation described above, the estimate is $X_{(S,k)(12,6)}$.

$$X_{(S,k)(12,6)} = 3^{\binom{12}{6}} \sum_{t=1}^{6} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \left(\frac{D_{(t)}}{7} \right) W_{(j,t,F21)} X_{(j,k,t)} \right)_{t}$$
(1a)

where the inner summation sums expenditures for all *j* in *S*, indexed from *j* = 1 through *n* and the outer summation sums over months *t* = 1 through 6. The factor "3" compensates for the fact that the weights for the CUs visited in one month have been adjusted to represent one third of the U.S. population. The factor "12" reflects our desire to estimate expenditures over a 12-month period; and the "6" is the adjustment made because data for 6 months are used. Since the data $X_{(j,k,t)}$ are in terms of weekly expenditures, the factors, (number of days in the month)/7, are used to convert weekly expenditures into their monthly equivalents.

The above formula can be generalized to estimate the total expenditures of subpopulation S on item k for q months, but using data collected over r months. The generalization is

$$X_{(S,k)(q,r)} = 3^{\binom{q}{r}} \sum_{t=1}^{r} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \left(\frac{D_{(t)}}{7} \right) W_{(j,t,F21)} X_{(j,k,t)} \right)_{t}$$
(1b)

where the inner summation sums expenditures for all *j* in *S*, indexed from j = 1 through *n* and the outer summation sums over months t = 1 through *r*.

An estimate for the expenditures for two or more items may be obtained by summing those expenditures at the CU level and then proceeding as before.

The next example will give an estimate, $\overline{X}_{(S,k)(12,6)}$, of mean expenditures over twelve months (*q*), on item *k*, of CUs in subpopulation *S*, where data collected over a six month period (*r*) are used. The result is

$$\overline{X}_{(S,k)(12,6)} = \frac{3^{\binom{12}{6}}\sum_{t=1}^{6} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \left(\frac{D_{(t)}}{7}\right) W_{(j,t,F21)} X_{(j,k,t)}\right)_{t}}{3\sum_{t=1}^{6} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} W_{(j,t,F21)}\right)_{t}}$$
(2a)

where the numerator is an estimate of aggregate expenditures as formulated in equation (1a), and where the denominator is an estimate of the population of CUs in the U.S. during the six-month period for which the expenditure data are collected. The inner summation in the denominator of (2a) sums FINLWT21 for a given month (*t*), for all *j* in *S*, indexed from *j* = 1 through *n*, and the outer summation in the denominator of (2a) sums over months *t* = 1 through 6. As in the estimate of aggregate expenditures, the factor "3" to the left of the outer summation in the denominator of equation (2a) adjusts FINLWT21 to represent the entire population for each month of data used. The proper U.S. population count is arrived at by dividing the denominator by *r*, or in this case "6", (representing the 6 month period of collected data in this example).

The above formula generalizes to $\overline{X}_{(S,k)(q,k)}$, (i.e., the estimate of the mean expenditure by subpopulation *S* on item *k* for *q* months using data collected over *r* months). In detail:

$$\overline{X}_{(S,k)(q,r)} = \frac{q \sum_{t=1}^{r} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \left(\frac{D_{(t)}}{7} \right) W_{(j,t,F21)} X_{(j,k,t)} \right)_{t}}{\sum_{t=1}^{r} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} W_{(j,t,F21)} \right)_{t}}$$

(2b)

Note: The factors "3" (adjustment of FINLWT21 to one U.S. population) and "6", (number of months, *r*, for which the data are collected), which appear both in the numerator and the denominator of (2a), cancel. These scalars are dropped from the general form of $\overline{X}_{(S,k)(q,r)}$.

The estimates for total ($X_{(S,k)(q,r)}$) and mean expenditures ($\overline{X}_{(S,k)(q,r)}$) are based on all CUs; not just the CUs with positive expenditures for item *k*. Consider the calculation for the mean expenditure of tobacco. The formula $\overline{X}_{(S,k)(q,r)}$ includes all CUs, both smoking and nonsmoking. One might be more interested in the mean expenditures on tobacco but only for those CUs that actually have expenditures. This can be accounted for by properly defining the initial subpopulation *S* so as to restrict it to CUs with positive tobacco expenditures.

C. ESTIMATION OF MEAN ANNUAL INCOME

Let $\overline{Z}_{(S,r)}$ be an estimate of the mean annual income of CUs in subpopulation S, where income data collected over r months is to be used.

Let $Z_{(i,t)}$ = the annual income reported by $CU_{(i)}$ in month t. Then the estimated mean annual income is

$$\overline{Z}_{(S,r)} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{r} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} W_{(j,t,F21)} Z_{(j,t)} \right)_{t}}{\sum_{t=1}^{r} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} W_{(j,t,F21)} \right)_{t}}$$

VI. RELIABILITY STATEMENT

A. DESCRIPTION OF SAMPLING ERROR AND NONSAMPLING ERROR

Sample surveys are subject to two types of errors, sampling and nonsampling. Sampling errors occur because observations are not taken from the entire population. The standard error, which is the accepted measure for sampling error, is an estimate of the difference between the sample data and the data that would have been obtained from a complete census. The sample estimate and its estimated standard error enables one to construct confidence intervals.

Assuming the Normal Distribution applies to the means of expenditures, the following statements can be made:

(1) The chances that an estimate from a given sample would differ from a complete census figure by less than one standard error are approximately 68 out of 100.

- (2) The chances that the difference would be less than 1.6 times the standard error are approximately 90 out of 100.
- (3) The chances that the difference would be less than two times the standard error are approximately 95 out of 100.

Nonsampling errors can be attributed to many sources, such as definitional difficulties, differences in the interpretation of questions, inability or unwillingness of the respondent to provide correct information, mistakes in recording or coding the data obtained, and other errors of collection, response, processing, coverage, and estimation for missing data. The full extent of the nonsampling error is unknown. Estimates using a small number of observations are less reliable. A small amount of nonsampling error can cause a small difference to appear significant even when it is not. It is probable that the levels of estimated expenditure obtained in the Diary Survey are generally lower than the "true" level due to the above factors.

B. ESTIMATING SAMPLING ERROR

1. VARIANCE ESTIMATION

Variance estimation can be done in many ways. The method illustrated below (a pseudoreplication technique) is chosen because it is accurate yet simple to understand. The basic idea is to artificially construct several "subsamples" from the original sample data. This construction is done in a manner so that the variance information of the original data is preserved in these subsamples. These subsamples (or pseudo-replications) can then be used to obtain approximate variances for the estimates.

The Diary microdata files contain information that facilitates this form of variance estimation procedure. Specifically, 45 weights are associated with each CU. The forty-fifth weight, called FINLWT21 at BLS, (which is the weight for the total sample) is used for estimations of total or mean expenditures. The other weights (replicates 1 through 44) are used for variance estimation of the totals or means. Note that half of the weights in each replicate are zero. This reflects the fact that in this technique only half the CUs are used in each of the 44 pseudo-replicates. Recall that $X_{(S,k)(q,r)}$ is an estimate for the

expenditures of subpopulation S on item k over a period of q months, where data collected over r months are used. This notation does not reveal the fact that 45 replicate weights are to be used for estimation of variance. We expand the notation to include this information. Specifically, let

 $X_{(S,k)(q,r),a}$ = an estimate of the same quantity as $X_{(S,k)(q,r)}$, but using the weights of the *a*th replicate.

That is $X_{(S,k)(q,r),a}$ is an estimate of the total expenditures by CUs in subpopulation *S* on item *k* over *q* months using *r* months of collection data, and where the weights from the *a*th replicate are used. Note that the estimate using any one of the first 44 replicate weights only uses part of the data; hence in general $X_{(S,k)(q,r),a}$ is not equal to $X_{(S,k)(q,r)}$.

An estimate for the variance of $X_{(S,k)(q,r)}$ (denoted by $V(X_{(S,k)(q,r)})$) can be calculated using the following formula:

$$V(X_{(S,k)(q,r)}) = \frac{1}{44} \sum_{a=1}^{44} (X_{(S,k)(q,r),a} - X_{(S,k)(q,r)})^2$$

Estimates for the variances of $\overline{X}_{(S,k)(q,r)}$ and $\overline{Z}_{(S,r)}$ are similar and are given below.

$$V(\overline{x}_{(S,k)(q,r)}) = \frac{1}{44} \sum_{a=1}^{44} \left(\overline{X}_{(S,k)(q,r),a} - \overline{X}_{(S,k)(q,r)} \right)^2$$

and

$$V(\overline{Z}_{(S,r)}) = \frac{1}{44} \sum_{a=1}^{44} (\overline{Z}_{(S,r),a} - \overline{Z}_{(S,r)})^2$$

where $\overline{X}_{(S,k)(q,r),a}$ and $\overline{Z}_{(S,r),a}$ are estimates similar to $\overline{X}_{(S,k)(q,r)}$ and $\overline{Z}_{(S,r)}$ except weights of the a^{th} replicates are used.

2. STANDARD ERROR OF THE MEAN

The standard error of the mean, *S.E.*(\bar{x}), is defined as the square root of the variance of the mean. *S.E.*(\bar{x}), is used to obtain confidence intervals that evaluate how close the estimate may be to the true population mean. A 95 percent confidence interval can be constructed around an estimate, bounded by values 1.96 times the standard error less than and greater than the estimate. For example, the average weekly expenditure for beef for All CUs in 2005 was \$4.38. The standard error for this estimate is \$0.11. Hence, the 95 percent confidence interval around this estimate is from \$4.16 to \$4.60. Therefore, we could conclude with 95 percent confidence that the mean weekly expenditures for beef all CUs in 2005 lies within the interval \$4.16 to \$4.60.

3. STANDARD ERROR OF THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TWO MEANS

Standard errors may also be used to perform hypothesis testing, a procedure for distinguishing between population parameters using sample estimates. The most common types of hypotheses are: 1) the population parameters are identical; versus 2) they are different.

For example, in 2005 the estimated average weekly expenditures for total food for CUs in the 330,000 to 339,999 income range is 81.65 and the estimate for CUs in the 40,000 to 49,999 income range is 94.00. The apparent difference between the two mean expenditures is 94.00 - 81.65 = 12.35. The standard error on the estimate of 81.65 is 2.01 and the estimated standard error for the 94.00 estimate is 2.54. The standard error (S.E.) of a difference is approximately equal to

$$S.E.(\overline{X}_1, \overline{X}_2) = \sqrt{\left(V(\overline{X}_1) + V(\overline{X}_2)\right)}$$

where

$$V(\overline{X}_i) \!=\! \left(S_{\cdot}E_{\cdot}(\overline{X}_i)\right)^2$$

This assumes that \overline{x}_1 and \overline{x}_2 are disjoint subsets of the population. Hence, the standard error of the difference in food expenditures between CUs in the *\$30,000 to \$39,999* and in the *\$40,000 to \$49,999* income ranges is about

$$\sqrt{\left((2.01)^2 + (2.54)^2\right)} = 3.24$$

This means that the 95 percent confidence interval around the difference is from \$6.00 to \$18.70. Since this interval

does not include zero, we can conclude with 95 percent confidence that the mean weekly food expenditures for the

\$40,000 to \$49,999 income group is greater than the mean weekly food expenditures for the \$30,000 to \$39,999

income group.

Analyses of the difference between two estimates can also be performed on nondisjoint sets of population, where one is a subset of the other. The formula for computing the standard error (S.E.) of the difference between two nondisjoint estimates is

$$S.E.(\overline{X}_1, \overline{X}_2) = \sqrt{\left(V(\overline{X}_1) + V(\overline{X}_2) - 2r\left(V(\overline{X}_1) * V(\overline{X}_2)\right)\right)}$$

where

$$V(\overline{X}_i) = \left(S.E.(\overline{X}_i)\right)^2$$

and where *r* is the correlation coefficient between \overline{x}_1 and \overline{x}_2 . The correlation coefficient is generally no greater than 0.2 for CE estimates.

VII. MICRODATA VERIFICATION AND ESTIMATION METHODOLOGY

This section is designed to help users become familiar with the microdata files. The following program gives users a benchmark to verify that their copy of the CD-ROM contains valid data, illustrate the methodology CE uses in producing publication tables, and offer an example of coding to access the data and produce a sample table. The program is written in SAS and shows usage of the SAS datasets available on the SAS CD-ROM. A program written in SAS but utilizing the ASCII datasets is present on the ASCII CD-ROM but will not be referenced here. Refer to the output file on the CD to check output. (Note: CE data published by BLS may not match some values estimated using the microdata due to topcoding of data and CE publication programming methodology.) All variables and ranges referred to in the program are described in detail in Section III.E. DETAILED VARIABLE DESCRIPTIONS in this documentation.

This program produces a table of selected expenditures by income class of the Consumer Unit (CU). The first section reads in the processing file and manipulates it into a usable form suitable for formatting an expenditure table. The second section of the program extracts the relevant variables from the FMLY files, while the third section extracts the expenditure and income data from the EXPN and DTAB files. These three datasets are then used along with the Dstub processing file to construct the sample table output. This output is the product of two SAS arrays. The values in one array are divided by the value in the other array to obtain weighted mean expenditures. The base, or denominator, for the division is a vector consisting of the weighted total population for the U.S. and selected income class categories. The numerator is a matrix of aggregate weighted costs for each line item in the table for the total U.S. population and each income class category.

It should be emphasized that this program has been written solely for the verification of the microdata and as an illustration of the CE estimation methodology. It should not be used for any other purpose.

Note: This program processes large amounts of data. If you are using a PC with limited capabilities it may be necessary to run this program in sections.

789 /* PROGRAM NAME: CEX DIARY SURVEY SAMPLE PROGRAM (SAS) 790 * / 791 /* LOCATION: D:\PROGRAMS */ 792 /* FUNCTION: CREATE A DIARY SURVEY EXPENDITURE TABLE BY INCOME CLASS USING */ /* 793 MICRODATA FROM THE BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTIC'S CONSUMER */ 794 /* EXPENDITURE SURVEY. */ /* */ 795 /* WRITTEN BY: ERIC KEIL */ 796 */ /* MODIFICATIONS: 797 MODIFIED BY-*/ 798 /* DATE-REASON-/* -----*/ 799 _____ _____ */ /* 03/21/02 ERIC KEIL 800 IMPROVE EFFICIENCY /* 10/22/03 ERIC KEIL /* 11/20/03 ERIC KEIL 801 UPDATE FOR 2002 DATA */ */ 802 INCLUDE ROUTINE TO AGGREGATE EASIER */ 803 /* /* FOR SAS VERSION 8 OR HIGHER 804 */ /* 805 */ 806 807 808 809 %LET YEAR = 2005; Sets the calendar year and 810 %LET DRIVE = D; drive used as macro variables 811 that can be used throughout 812 the program. 813 /* STEP1: READ IN THE STUB PARAMETER FILE AND CREATE FORMATS 814 815 /* _____ */ /* 1 CONVERTS THE STUB PARAMETER FILE INTO A LABEL FILE FOR OUTPUT 816 */ /* 2 CONVERTS THE STUB PARAMETER FILE INTO AN EXPENDITURE AGGREGATION FILE */ 817 /* 3 CREATES FORMATS FOR USE IN OTHER PROCEDURES 818 *****/ 819 820 821 822 %LET YR1 = %SUBSTR(&YEAR, 3, 2); 823 LIBNAME D&YR1 "&DRIVE.:\DIARY&YR1"; NOTE: Libref D05 was successfully assigned as follows: V8 Engine: Physical Name: D:\DIARY05 824 825 Reads in the aggregation stub 826 DATA STUBFILE (KEEP= COUNT TYPE LEVEL TITLE UCC SURVEY GROUP LINE); file and dynamically creates 827 INFILE "&DRIVE.:\PROGRAMS\DSTUB&YEAR..TXT" numbers associated with 828 PAD MISSOVER; each expenditure line item. INPUT @1 TYPE \$1. @ 4 LEVEL \$1. @7 TITLE \$60. @70 UCC \$6. 829 830 @80 SURVEY \$1. @86 GROUP \$7.; Note: This aggregation file 831 IF (TYPE = '1'); can be modified to IF GROUP IN ('CUCHARS' 'FOOD' 'EXPEND' 'INCOME'); 832 accommodate any IF SURVEY = 'T' THEN DELETE; 833 customized aggregation 834 RETAIN COUNT 9999; scheme 835 COUNT + 1; LINE = PUT(COUNT, \$5.)||LEVEL ; 836 One needs only to make sure WARNING: Variable COUNT has already been defined as numeric. that the column start positions /* READS IN THE STUB PARAMETER FILE AND CREATES LINE NUMBERS FOR UCCS */ 837 in the file match the start 838 /* A UNIQUE LINE NUMBER IS ASSIGNED TO EACH EXPENDITURE LINE ITEM positions in the input statement. 839 RUN; NOTE: The infile "D:\PROGRAMS\DSTUB2005.TXT" is: File Name=D:\PROGRAMS\DSTUB2005.TXT, RECFM=V, LRECL=256 NOTE: 764 records were read from the infile "D:\PROGRAMS\DSTUB2005.TXT". The minimum record length was 104. The maximum record length was 105. NOTE: The data set WORK.STUBFILE has 466 observations and 8 variables. NOTE: DATA statement used: real time 0.06 seconds 0.01 seconds cpu time 840 841 842 DATA AGGFMT1 (KEEP= UCC LINE LINE1-LINE10); Subsequent program steps

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843
      SET STUBFILE;
                                                                                         manipulate the aggregation
844
      LENGTH LINE1-LINE10 $6.;
                                                                                        stub file into a dataset that
       ARRAY LINES(9) LINE1-LINE9;
845
                                                                                        associates UCCs with line
846
          IF (UCC > 'A') THEN
                                                                                        numbers.
            LINES(SUBSTR(LINE, 6, 1)) = LINE;
847
848
           RETAIN LINE1-LINE9;
           IF (UCC < 'A') THEN
849
850
            LINE10 = LINE;
851
      IF (LINE10);
852 RUN;
NOTE: Character values have been converted to numeric values at the places given by:
(Line): (Column).
      847:15 851:7
NOTE: There were 466 observations read from the data set WORK.STUBFILE.
NOTE: The data set WORK.AGGFMT1 has 337 observations and 12 variables.
NOTE: DATA statement used:
                          0.10 seconds
     real time
      cpu time
                          0.00 seconds
853
854
855 PROC SORT DATA= AGGFMT1 (RENAME=(LINE= COMPARE));
856
     BY UCC;
857
       /* MAPS LINE NUMBERS TO UCCS */
858 RUN;
NOTE: There were 337 observations read from the data set WORK.AGGFMT1.
NOTE: The data set WORK.AGGFMT1 has 337 observations and 12 variables.
NOTE: PROCEDURE SORT used:
                          0.03 seconds
     real time
                          0.00 seconds
      cpu time
859
860
861 PROC TRANSPOSE DATA= AGGFMT1 OUT= AGGFMT2 (RENAME=(COL1= LINE));
862
     BY UCC COMPARE;
863
      VAR LINE1-LINE10;
864 RUN;
NOTE: There were 337 observations read from the data set WORK.AGGFMT1.
NOTE: The data set WORK.AGGFMT2 has 3370 observations and 4 variables.
NOTE: PROCEDURE TRANSPOSE used:
     real time
                         0.09 seconds
      cpu time
                          0.01 seconds
865
866
867 DATA AGGFMT (KEEP= UCC LINE);
868
     SET AGGFMT2;
869
        IF LINE;
         IF SUBSTR(COMPARE, 6, 1) > SUBSTR(LINE, 6, 1) OR COMPARE=LINE;
870
        /* AGGREGATION FILE. EXTRANEOUS MAPPINGS ARE DELETED
871
872
        /* PROC SQL WILL AGGANGE LINE#/UCC PAIRS FOR USE IN PROC FORMAT */
873 RUN;
NOTE: Character values have been converted to numeric values at the places given by:
(Line): (Column).
      869:8
NOTE: There were 3370 observations read from the data set WORK.AGGFMT2.
NOTE: The data set WORK.AGGFMT has 1364 observations and 2 variables.
NOTE: DATA statement used:
      real time
                          0.12 seconds
                         0.01 seconds
      cpu time
874
875
876 PROC SQL NOPRINT;
877
       SELECT UCC, LINE, COUNT(*)
878
       INTO :UCCS SEPARATED BY " ",
            :LINES SEPARATED BY " ",
879
880
             :CNT
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881
       FROM AGGFMT;
NOTE: The query requires remerging summary statistics back with the original data.
882
       OUIT;
NOTE: PROCEDURE SQL used:
      real time
                           0.23 seconds
      cpu time
                           0.00 seconds
883 RUN;
884
885
886 %MACRO MAPPING;
                                                                                            Creates a Dataset that can be
887
      %DO I = 1 %TO &CNT;
                                                                                            used to associate titles with
        "%SCAN(&UCCS,&I,%STR())" = "%SCAN(&LINES,&I,%STR())"
888
                                                                                            line numbers with a format
889
      %END:
                                                                                            procedure.
890 %MEND MAPPING;
891
892
893 DATA LBLFMT (RENAME=(LINE= START TITLE= LABEL));
894
       SET STUBFILE (KEEP= LINE TITLE);
895
       RETAIN FMTNAME 'LBLFMT' TYPE 'C';
896
       /* LABEL FILE. LINE NUMBERS ARE ASSIGNED A TEXT LABEL */
897
      /* DATASET CONSTRUCTED TO BE READ INTO A PROC FORMAT */
898 RUN;
NOTE: There were 466 observations read from the data set WORK.STUBFILE.
NOTE: The data set WORK.LBLFMT has 466 observations and 4 variables.
NOTE: DATA statement used:
      real time
                           0.07 seconds
      cpu time
                           0.00 seconds
899
900
                                                                                            Formats:
901 PROC FORMAT;
902
                                                                                            Puts the aggregation scheme
903
       VALUE $AGGFMT (MULTILABEL)
                                                                                            into a SAS format.
904
         %MAPPING
         OTHER= 'OTHER';
905
NOTE: Format $AGGFMT is already on the library.
NOTE: Format $AGGFMT has been output.
906
         /* CREATE AGGREGATION FORMAT */
907
908
                                                                                            Puts the income groupings
       VALUE $INC (MULTILABEL)
909
                                                                                            into a SAS format.
         '01' = '01'
910
         '01' = '10'
911
912
         '02' = '02'
         '02' = '10'
913
                                                                                            Note: The multilabel option is
         '03' = '03'
914
                                                                                            necessary in the aggregation
         '03' = '10'
915
         '04' = '04'
                                                                                            format and income format
916
                                                                                            since multiple mappings
         '04' = '10'
917
                                                                                            occur. This option is
         '05' = '05'
918
                                                                                            available in SAS V8 or higher.
919
         '05' = '10'
         '06' = '06'
920
921
         '06' = '10'
922
         '07' = '07'
         '07' = '10'
923
         '08' = '08'
924
         '08' = '10'
925
926
         '09' = '09'
         '09' = '10';
927
NOTE: Format $INC is already on the library.
NOTE: Format $INC has been output.
928
        /* CREATE INCOME CLASS FORMAT */
929 RUN;
NOTE: PROCEDURE FORMAT used:
                          8.26 seconds
      real time
      cpu time
                           7.24 seconds
930
931
932
     PROC FORMAT LIBRARY= WORK CNTLIN= LBLFMT;
                                                                                            Puts the titles into a SAS
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NOTE: Format $LBLFMT is already on the library.
                                                                                      format for use in the final
NOTE: Format $LBLFMT has been output.
                                                                                      output
     /* CREATE LABEL FILE FORMATS */
933
934 RUN;
NOTE: PROCEDURE FORMAT used:
                         0.03 seconds
     real time
      cpu time
                         0.01 seconds
NOTE: There were 466 observations read from the data set WORK.LBLFMT.
935
936
      937
      /* STEP2: READ IN ALL NEEDED DATA FROM THE CD-ROM
938
939
      /* _____
                                                                                 */
      /* 1 READ IN THE DIARY FMLY FILES
                                                                                 */
940
      /* 2 READ IN THE DIARY EXPM AND DTAB FILES
                                                                                 */
941
      /* 3 MERGE FMLY AND EXPENDITURE FILES TO DERIVE WEIGHTED EXPENDITURES
                                                                                 * /
942
       943
944
945
                                                                                      Reads in the necessary
946 DATA FMLY (KEEP = NEWID INCLASS REPWT1-REPWT45);
                                                                                      variables from the fmly files.
947
      SET D&YR1..FMLD&YR1.1
                                                                                      Newid is the code given to a
948
          D&YR1..FMLD&YR1.2
                                                                                      consumer unit each time it
949
          D&YR1..FMLD&YR1.3
                                                                                      participates. Finlwt21 and
950
          D&YR1..FMLD&YR1.4;
                                                                                      Wtrep01-Wtrep44 are weight
951
          BY NEWID;
                                                                                      variables used to weight each
952
          /* READ IN FMLY FILE DATA */
                                                                                      consumer unit such that it
953
                                                                                      represents some portion of
954
        ARRAY REPS A(45) WTREP01-WTREP44 FINLWT21;
                                                                                      the population. Inclass is a
955
        ARRAY REPS B(45) REPWT1-REPWT45;
                                                                                      code that represents the
956
                                                                                      range within which the
957
          DO i = 1 TO 45;
                                                                                      consumer unit's annual
958
          IF REPS A(i) > 0 THEN
                                                                                      income falls.
959
             REPS B(i) = (REPS A(i) / 4);
960
             ELSE REPS B(i) = 0;
                                                                                      Lines 957-961 adjusts the
961
          END;
                                                                                      weights so that they will sum
962
           /* ADJUST WEIGHTS TO COMPENSATE FOR HAVING FOUR OUARTERS OF DATA */
                                                                                      up to US populations.
963 RUN;
NOTE: There were 3604 observations read from the data set D05.FMLD051.
NOTE: There were 3838 observations read from the data set D05.FMLD052.
NOTE: There were 3834 observations read from the data set D05.FMLD053.
NOTE: There were 3850 observations read from the data set D05.FMLD054.
NOTE: The data set WORK.FMLY has 15126 observations and 47 variables.
NOTE: DATA statement used:
     real time
                       0.82 seconds
      cpu time
                         0.49 seconds
964
965
966
                                                                                      Reads in all DTAB income
967
    DATA EXPEND (KEEP = NEWID UCC COST);
                                                                                      data and EXPN expenditure
      SET D&YR1..DTBD&YR1.1 (RENAME=(AMOUNT=COST))
968
                                                                                      data
          D&YR1..DTBD&YR1.2 (RENAME=(AMOUNT=COST))
969
970
          D&YR1..DTBD&YR1.3 (RENAME=(AMOUNT=COST))
                                                                                      Newid is the consumer unit
971
           D&YR1..DTBD&YR1.4 (RENAME=(AMOUNT=COST))
                                                                                      code. UCC is a code that
972
          D&YR1..EXPD&YR1.1
                                                                                      represents the type of
973
          D&YR1..EXPD&YR1.2
974
                                                                                      expenditure variable. Cost is
          D&YR1..EXPD&YR1.3
                                                                                      the value that corresponds to
975
          D&YR1..EXPD&YR1.4;
976
      BY NEWID;
                                                                                      the UCC code
977
      /* READ IN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE DATA */
978 RUN;
NOTE: There were 63234 observations read from the data set D05.DTBD051.
NOTE: There were 67157 observations read from the data set D05.DTBD052.
NOTE: There were 66097 observations read from the data set D05.DTBD053.
NOTE: There were 66302 observations read from the data set D05.DTBD054.
NOTE: There were 147840 observations read from the data set D05.EXPD051.
NOTE: There were 149484 observations read from the data set D05.EXPD052.
NOTE: There were 147434 observations read from the data set D05.EXPD053.
NOTE: There were 154512 observations read from the data set D05.EXPD054.
NOTE: The data set WORK.EXPEND has 862060 observations and 3 variables.
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NOTE: DATA statement used:
     real time 4.00 seconds
cpu time 0.81 seconds
979
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981
                                                                             Merges the FMLY and
982
   DATA PUBFILE (KEEP = NEWID INCLASS UCC RCOST1-RCOST45);
                                                                             EXPEND data sets together
     MERGE FMLY (IN = INFAM)
983
                                                                             and changes missing cost
984
          EXPEND (IN = INEXP);
                                                                             values to zero.
985
     BY NEWID:
986
     IF INEXP AND INFAM;
987
988
     IF COST = . THEN
989
       COST = 0;
990
        ARRAY REPS A(45) REPWT1-REPWT45;
991
992
        ARRAY REPS B(45) RCOST1-RCOST45;
993
994
       DO i = 1 TO 45;
                                                                             Weights the cost values by
995
          IF REPS A(i) > 0
                                                                             the 44 replicate weights and
996
            THEN REPS B(i) = (REPS A(i) * COST);
                                                                             full sample weight. RCOST1-
997
            ELSE REPS B(i) = 0;
                                                                             RCOST45 represents the
998
        END;
     /* MERGE FMLY FILE WEIGHTS AND CHARACTERISTICS WITH EXPN/DTAB COSTS */
                                                                             weighted costs for each
999
                                                                             expenditure.
1000
        /* MULTIPLY COSTS BY WEIGHTS TO DERIVE WEIGHTED COSTS
1001 RUN;
NOTE: There were 15126 observations read from the data set WORK.FMLY.
NOTE: There were 862060 observations read from the data set WORK.EXPEND.
NOTE: The data set WORK.PUBFILE has 862060 observations and 48 variables.
NOTE: DATA statement used:
     real time
                       35.29 seconds
                      32.76 seconds
     cpu time
1002
1003
       1004
1005
      /* STEP3: CALCULATE POPULATIONS
1006
      /* _____
                                                                         * /
      /* 1 SUM ALL 45 WEIGHT VARIABLES TO DERIVE REPLICATE POPULATIONS
                                                                        */
1007
     /* 2 FORMAT FOR CORRECT COLUMN CLASSIFICATIONS
1008
      1009
1010
1011
                                                                             The weights in the FMLY file
1012 PROC SUMMARY NWAY DATA=FMLY;
                                                                             are summed to create
     CLASS INCLASS / MLF;
1013
                                                                             replicate populations and the
1014 VAR REPWT1-REPWT45;
                                                                             full US population for each
1015
      FORMAT INCLASS $INC.;
      OUTPUT OUT = POP (DROP = _TYPE _FREQ ) SUM = RPOP1-RPOP45;
                                                                             income class.
1016
     /* SUMS WEIGHTS TO CREATE POPULATIONS PER REPLICATE */
                                                                             Replicate populations
1017
                                                                             (Repwt1-Repwt44) and the
     /* FORMATS TO CORRECT COLUMN CLASSIFICATIONS
1018
                                                                             US population (Repwt45) are
1019 RUN;
                                                                             used as the denominator in
                                                                             means estimation.
NOTE: There were 15126 observations read from the data set WORK.FMLY.
NOTE: The data set WORK.POP has 10 observations and 46 variables.
NOTE: PROCEDURE SUMMARY used:
     real time 0.28 seconds
     cpu time
                      0.15 seconds
1020
1021
1022
       1023
                                                                        */
      /* STEP4: CALCULATE WEIGHTED AGGREGATE EXPENDITURES
1024
1025
      /* _____
                                                                       */
      /* 1 SUM THE 45 REPLICATE WEIGHTED EXPENDITURES TO DERIVE AGGREGATES
1026
                                                                        */
1027
      /* 2 FORMAT FOR CORRECT COLUMN CLASSIFICATIONS AND AGGREGATION SCHEME
      1028
1029
1030
                                                                             Weighted costs are summed
1031
    PROC SUMMARY NWAY DATA=PUBFILE SUMSIZE=MAX COMPLETETYPES;
                                                                             and formatted into income
1032
      CLASS UCC INCLASS / MLF;
                                                                             classes and by the
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1033
       VAR RCOST1-RCOST45;
                                                                                   aggregation scheme of the
1034
       FORMAT UCC $AGGFMT. INCLASS $INC.;
                                                                                   stub file. These aggregate
       OUTPUT OUT=AGG (DROP= _TYPE _FREQ RENAME=(UCC=LINE))
1035
                                                                                   expenditures will become the
1036
        SUM = RCOST1 - RCOST45;
                                                                                   numerator in means
       /* SUMS WEIGHTED COSTS PER REPLICATE TO GET AGGREGATES */
1037
                                                                                   estimation
1038
       /* FORMATS INCOME TO CREATE COMPLETE REPORTING COLUMN */
       /* FORMATS EXPENDITURES TO CORRECT AGGREGATION SCHEME */
1039
1040 RUN;
NOTE: There were 862060 observations read from the data set WORK.PUBFILE.
NOTE: The data set WORK.AGG has 4510 observations and 47 variables.
NOTE: PROCEDURE SUMMARY used:
                        29.92 seconds
     real time
                        28.01 seconds
     cpu time
1041
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1043
       1044
1045
       /* STEP5: CALCULTATE MEAN EXPENDITURES
                                                                              * /
       /* ----- */
1046
1047
       /* 1 READ IN POPULATIONS AND LOAD INTO MEMORY USING A 2 DIMENSIONAL ARRAY */
       /*
1048
           POPULATIONS ARE ASSOCIATED BY INCLASS(i), AND REPLICATE(j)
                                                                              * /
       /* 2 READ IN AGGREGATE EXPENDITURES FROM AGG DATASET
1049
                                                                              */
       /* CALCULATE MEANS BY DIVIDING AGGREGATES BY CORRECT SOURCE POPULATIONS */
1050
1051
       /* 4 CALCULATE STANDARD ERRORS USING REPLICATE FORMULA
       1052
1053
1054
                                                                                   This data step calculates
1055 DATA TAB1 (KEEP = LINE MEAN SE);
                                                                                   means and standard errors:
1056
       /* READS IN POP DATASET. TEMPORARY LOADS POPULATIONS INTO SYSTEM MEMORY */
1057
                                                                                   Lines 1058-1065 reads in the
                                                                                   column populations and
      ARRAY POP{01:10,45} _TEMPORARY_;
1058
                                                                                   stores them into temporary
      IF N = 1 THEN DO i = 1 TO 10;
1059
                                                                                   memory. Populations in
1060
        SET POP;
                                                                                   memory are associated with
1061
         ARRAY REPS(45) RPOP1-RPOP45;
                                                                                   INCLASS(i), and
1062
           DO j = 1 TO 45;
                                                                                   REPLICATE(j).
1063
            POP{INCLASS, j} = REPS(j);
1064
           END:
1065
         END;
1066
       /* READS IN AGG DATASET AND CALCULATES MEANS BY DIVIDING BY POPULATIONS */
1067
                                                                                   Line 1068 reads in the
1068
       SET AGG (KEEP = LINE INCLASS RCOST1-RCOST45);
                                                                                   aggregated expenditures.
1069
       ARRAY AGGS(45) RCOST1-RCOST45;
1070
         ARRAY AVGS(45) MEAN1-MEAN44 MEAN;
                                                                                   Lines1071-1074 calculates
1071
           DO k = 1 TO 45;
                                                                                   means by dividing the
             IF AGGS(k) = . THEN AGGS(k) = 0;
1072
                                                                                   aggregate expenditures by
1073
             AVGS(k) = AGGS(k) / POP{INCLASS,k};
                                                                                   the appropriate populations in
1074
           END;
                                                                                   memory as determined by
1075
                                                                                   INCLASS and REPLICATE.
1076
       /* CALCULATES STANDARD ERRORS USING REPLICATE FORMULA */
1077
       ARRAY RMNS(44) MEAN1-MEAN44;
                                                                                   Lines 1077-1082 calculates
1078
       ARRAY DIFF(44) DIFF1-DIFF44;
                                                                                   standard errors using the
1079
         DO n = 1 TO 44;
                                                                                   replicate weight formula.
1080
           DIFF(n) = (RMNS(n) - MEAN) * 2;
1081
         END:
1082
       SE = SQRT((1/44) * SUM(OF DIFF(*)));
1083 RUN;
NOTE: Character values have been converted to numeric values at the places given by:
(Line): (Column).
     1063:13 1073:33
NOTE: There were 10 observations read from the data set WORK.POP.
NOTE: There were 4510 observations read from the data set WORK.AGG.
NOTE: The data set WORK.TAB1 has 4510 observations and 3 variables.
NOTE: DATA statement used:
     real time
                        0.73 seconds
     cpu time
                        0.63 seconds
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        /* STEP6: TABULATE EXPENDITURES
        /*
1089
                                                                                     */
        /* 1 ARRANGE DATA INTO TABULAR FORM
                                                                                     */
1090
1091
       /* 2 SET OUT DIARY POPULATIONS FOR POPULATION LINE ITEM
                                                                                     */
       /* 3 INSERT POPULATION LINE INTO TABLE
                                                                                     */
1092
1093
        /* 4 INSERT ZERO EXPENDITURE LINE ITEMS INTO TABLE FOR COMPLETENESS
                                                                                     * /
        1094
1095
1096
                                                                                          Arranges output for
1097
     PROC TRANSPOSE DATA=TAB1 OUT=TAB2
                                                                                          tabulation. This will give a
       NAME = ESTIMATE PREFIX = INCLASS;
1098
                                                                                          rough expenditure table.
1099
        BY LINE;
1100
        VAR MEAN SE;
1101
       /*ARRANGE DATA INTO TABULAR FORM */
1102 RUN;
NOTE: There were 4510 observations read from the data set WORK.TAB1.
NOTE: The data set WORK.TAB2 has 902 observations and 12 variables.
NOTE: PROCEDURE TRANSPOSE used:
      real time
                          0.03 seconds
      cpu time
                          0.01 seconds
1103
1104
                                                                                          All populations are put into
1105 PROC TRANSPOSE DATA=POP (KEEP = RPOP45) OUT=CUS
                                                                                          dataset POP. A special
1106
      NAME = LINE PREFIX = INCLASS;
                                                                                          dataset, CUS, is created
1107
       VAR RPOP45;
                                                                                          specifically for inserting the
1108
        /* SET ASIDE POPULATIONS FROM DIARY */
                                                                                          full US population into the
1109 RUN;
                                                                                          output.
NOTE: There were 10 observations read from the data set WORK.POP.
NOTE: The data set WORK.CUS has 1 observations and 11 variables.
NOTE: PROCEDURE TRANSPOSE used:
      real time
                     0.01 seconds
      cpu time
                          0.01 seconds
1110
1111
                                                                                          Population totals per income
1112 DATA TAB3;
                                                                                          class are inserted into the
      SET CUS TAB2;
1113
                                                                                          output.
       IF LINE = 'RPOP45' THEN DO;
1114
        LINE = '100001';
1115
1116
         ESTIMATE = 'N';
1117
          END;
        /* INSERT POPULATION LINE ITEM INTO TABLE AND ASSIGN LINE NUMBER ^{\star/}
1118
1119 RUN:
NOTE: There were 1 observations read from the data set WORK.CUS.
NOTE: There were 902 observations read from the data set WORK.TAB2.
NOTE: The data set WORK.TAB3 has 903 observations and 12 variables.
NOTE: DATA statement used:
      real time
                          0.03 seconds
      cpu time
                          0.01 seconds
1120
                                                                                          This data step further
1121
                                                                                          processes data by deleting
1122 DATA TAB;
                                                                                          unwanted table line items and
1123
       MERGE TAB3 STUBFILE;
                                                                                          inserting zero expenditure
1124
       BY LINE;
                                                                                          lines for items that are not
        IF LINE NE '100001' THEN DO;
1125
                                                                                          reported. This is to get the
1126
            IF SURVEY = 'S' THEN DELETE;
                                                                                          output as close to publication
1127
         END:
1128
        ARRAY CNTRL(10) INCLASS1-INCLASS10;
                                                                                          tables as possible.
1129
          DO i = 1 TO 10;
1130
              IF CNTRL(i) = . THEN CNTRL(i) = 0;
1131
              IF SUM(OF CNTRL(*)) = 0 THEN ESTIMATE = 'MEAN';
1132
           END;
1133
        IF GROUP IN ('CUCHARS' 'INCOME') THEN DO;
1134
1135
           IF LAG(LINE) = LINE THEN DELETE;
1136
         END:
1137
        /* MERGE STUBFILE BACK INTO TABLE TO INSERT EXPENDITURE LINES */
1138
        /* THAT HAD ZERO EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR
                                                                         */
1139 RUN;
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NOTE: There were 903 observations read from the data set WORK.TAB3. NOTE: There were 466 observations read from the data set WORK.STUBFILE. NOTE: The data set WORK.TAB has 840 observations and 20 variables. NOTE: DATA statement used: real time 0.03 seconds cpu time 0.03 seconds 1140 1141 Tabulate the data. Line 1142 PROC TABULATE DATA=TAB; numbers are formatted to give 1143 CLASS LINE / GROUPINTERNAL ORDER=DATA; titles CLASS ESTIMATE: 1144 1145 VAR INCLASS1-INCLASS10; 1146 FORMAT LINE \$LBLFMT.; 1147 1148 TABLE (LINE * ESTIMATE), (INCLASS10 INCLASS1 INCLASS2 INCLASS3 INCLASS4 INCLASS5 INCLASS6 INCLASS7 INCLASS8 INCLASS9) 1149 *SUM='' / RTS=25; 1150 1151 LABEL ESTIMATE=ESTIMATE LINE=LINE INCLASS1='LESS THAN \$5,000' INCLASS2='\$5,000 TO \$9,999' 1152 INCLASS3='\$10,000 TO \$14,999' INCLASS4='\$15,000 TO \$19,999' 1153 INCLASS5='\$20,000 TO \$29,999' INCLASS6='\$30,000 TO \$39,999' 1154 INCLASS7='\$40,000 TO \$49,999' INCLASS8='\$50,000 TO \$69,999' INCLASS9='\$70,000 AND OVER' INCLASS10='ALL CONSUMER UNITS'; 1155 1156 OPTIONS NODATE NOCENTER NONUMBER LS=167 PS=MAX; 1157 WHERE LINE NE 'OTHER'; TITLE "DIARY EXPENDITURES FOR &YEAR BY INCOME BEFORE TAXES"; 1158 1159 1160 RUN; NOTE: There were 838 observations read from the data set WORK.TAB. WHERE LINE not = 'OTHER'; NOTE: PROCEDURE TABULATE used: real time 0.12 seconds cpu time 0.09 seconds

VIII. DESCRIPTION OF THE SURVEY

The CE program consists of two separate components, each with its own questionnaire and independent sample:

1) A Diary or recordkeeping survey completed by the sample CUs for two consecutive 1-week periods; the sample is surveyed across a 12-month period.

2) An Interview panel survey in which each CU in the sample is interviewed once every 3 months over five consecutive quarters to obtain a year's worth of data. New panels are initiated every month of the year.

Data are collected by the Bureau of the Census under contract with BLS. All data collected in both surveys are subject to Bureau of the Census confidentiality requirements, which prevent the disclosure of the CU member's identity.

The Diary survey collects expenditure data for items purchased each day over two one-week periods. This survey is designed to collect expenditure data for small, frequently purchased items such as food, beverages, food consumed away from home, gasoline, housekeeping supplies, nonprescription drugs and medical supplies, and personal care products and services. Respondents are not limited to recording expense for these items only.

A Household Characteristics Questionnaire is completed to record demographic and family characteristics data pertaining to age, sex, race, marital status, and CU relationships each CU member. Income information, such as wage, salary, unemployment compensation, child support, and alimony, as well as information on the employment of each CU member age 14 and over is collected. The expenditure collection instrument is a self-reporting, product-oriented diary on which respondents record all expenses for two consecutive one-week periods. It is divided by day of purchase and by broad

classification of goods and services, a format designed to aid the respondents when recording daily purchases.

At the beginning of the two-week collection period, the interviewer uses the Household Characteristics Questionnaire to record demographic and characteristics information pertaining to CU members. Also at this time, a diary for the first week is left with the participating CU. At the completion of the first week, the interviewer picks up the diary, reviews the entries, clarifies any questions, and leaves a second diary for the following week. At the end of the second week, the diary is picked up and reviewed. At this point, the interviewer again uses the Household Characteristics Questionnaire to collect information on CU income, employment and earnings of CU members. These data, along with the other household characteristics information, permit data users to classify sample units for research purposes, and allow BLS to adjust population weights for CUs who do not cooperate in the survey.

IX. DATA COLLECTION AND PROCESSING

In addition to its data collection duties, the Bureau of the Census is responsible for field editing and coding, consistency checking, quality control, and data transmittal to BLS. BLS performs additional review and editing procedures in preparing the data for publication and release.

A. BUREAU OF THE CENSUS ACTIVITIES

Data collection activities have been conducted by the Bureau of the Census on a continuing basis since October 1979. Due to differences in format and design, the Diary Survey and the Interview Survey data are collected and processed separately. Preliminary Diary survey data processing carried out by the Bureau of the Census includes programming the Computer Assisted Personal Interview (CAPI) instrument used to collect household characteristics, keying the expenditure data from the diary questionnaire, clerical data editing, and correcting for inconsistencies in the collected data.

The data collected on household characteristics using CAPI are sent directly to the Census Demographic Surveys Division (DSD). Upon completion of the written questionnaire by respondents, the diaries are sent from the regional offices to the Census National Processing Center (NPC) in Jeffersonville, IN. At the NPC, the expenditure data are keyed and codes are applied. The keyed expenditure data are sent to DSD, where they are merged with the household characteristic data. Inconsistencies and errors in the combined data are identified and corrected.

After clerical processing at the NPC, the data are transmitted to the Census Processing Center in Suitland, MD, where they pass through basic quality checks of control counts, missing values, etc. The data are then electronically transmitted to BLS in Washington, DC.

B. BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS ACTIVITIES

Upon receipt from the Bureau of the Census, the data undergo a series of computer edits that identify and correct irregularities and inconsistencies. Other adjustments apply appropriate sales taxes and derive CU weights based on BLS specifications. In addition, demographic and work experience items are imputed when missing or invalid. All data changes and imputations are identified with flags on the Interview data base.

Next, BLS conducts an extensive review to ensure that severe data aberrations are corrected. The review takes place in several stages: a review of counts, weighted means, and unweighted means by region; a review of family relationship coding inconsistencies; a review of selected extreme values for expenditure and income categories; and a verification of the various data transformations.

Cases of extreme data values are investigated by reviewing images of the questionnaires. Errors discovered through this procedure are corrected prior to release of the data.

Two major types of data adjustment routines--imputation and allocation--are carried out to improve and classify the estimates derived from the Diary Survey. Data imputation routines correct for missing or invalid entries among selected CU characteristic fields. Allocation routines are applied when respondents provided insufficient expenditure detail to meet tabulation requirements. For example, reports of combined expenditures for fuels and utilities are allocated among gas, electricity, and other items in this group. To analyze the effects of these adjustments, tabulations are made before and after the data adjustments.

X. SAMPLING STATEMENT

A. SURVEY SAMPLE DESIGN

Samples for the CE are national probability samples of households designed to be representative of the total U. S. civilian population. Eligible population includes all civilian noninstitutional persons.

The first step in sampling is the selection of primary sampling units (PSUs), which consist of counties (or parts thereof) or groups of counties. The set of sample PSUs used for the 2005 sample is composed of 102 areas. The design classifies the PSUs into four categories:

- 28 "A" certainty PSUs are Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA's) with a population greater than 1.5 million.
- 42 "B" PSUs, are medium-sized MSAs.
- 16 "C" PSUs are nonmetropolitan areas that are included in the CPI.
- 16 "D" PSUs are nonmetropolitan areas where only the urban population data will be included in the CPI.

The sampling frame (that is, the list from which housing units were chosen) for the 2005 survey is generated from the 2000 Population Census file. The sampling frame is augmented by new construction permits and by techniques used to eliminate recognized deficiencies in census coverage. All Enumeration Districts (EDs) from the Census that fail to meet the criterion for good addresses for new construction, and all EDs in nonpermit-issuing areas are grouped into the area segment frame.

To the extent possible, an unclustered sample of units is selected within each PSU. This lack of clustering is desirable because the sample size of the Diary Survey is small relative to other surveys, while the intraclass correlations for expenditure characteristics are relatively large. This suggests that any clustering of the sample units could result in an unacceptable increase in the within-PSU variance and, as a result, the total variance.

Each selected sample unit is requested to keep two 1-week diaries of expenditures over consecutive weeks. The earliest possible day for placing a diary with a household is predesignated with each day of the week having an equal chance to be the first of the reference week. The diaries are evenly spaced throughout the year.

B. COOPERATION LEVELS

The annual target sample size at the United States level for the Diary Survey is 7,800 participating sample units. To achieve this target the total estimated work load is 11,275 sample units. This allows for refusals, vacancies, or nonexistent sample unit addresses.

Each participating sample unit selected is asked to keep two 1-week diaries. Each diary is treated independently, so response rates are based on twice the number of housing units sampled.

The response rate for the 2005 Diary Survey is 68.9% as shown below. This response rate refers to all diaries in the year.

Number of		Eligibl	e housing unit inte	erviews
diaries designated for the survey	Type B or C ineligible cases	Number of potential diaries	Type A nonresponse	Total respondent interviews
26,054	4,745	21,309	6,183	15,126

Type B or C cases are housing units that are vacant, nonexistent, or ineligible for diary placement. Type A nonresponses are housing units which the interviewers were unable to contact or the respondents refused to participate in the survey. The response rate stated above is based only on the eligible housing units (i.e., the designated sample cases less type B and type C ineligible cases).

C. WEIGHTING

Each CU included in the CE represents a given number of CUs in the U.S. population, which is considered to be the universe. The translation of sample families into the universe of families is known as weighting. However, since the unit of analysis for the CE is a CU, the weighting is performed at the CU level. Several factors are involved in determining the weight for each CU for which a diary is obtained. There are four basic steps in the weighting procedure:

- 1) The basic weight is assigned to an address and is the inverse of the probability of selection of the housing unit.
- 2) A weight control factor is applied to each diary if subsampling is performed in the field.
- A noninterview adjustment is made for units where data could not be collected from occupied housing units. The adjustment is performed as a function of region, housing tenure, family size and race.
- 4) A final adjustment is performed to adjust the sample estimates to national population controls derived from the Current Population Survey. The adjustments are made based on both the CU's member composition and on the CU as a whole. The weight for the CU is adjusted for individuals within the CU to meet the controls for the 14 age/race categories, 4 regions, and 4 region/urban categories. The CU weight is also adjusted to meet the control for total number of CUs and total number of CU who own their living quarters. The weighting procedure uses an iterative process to ensure that the sample estimates will meet all the population controls.

NOTE: The weight for a consumer unit (CU) can be different for each week in which the CU participates in the survey as the CU may represent a different number of CUs with similar characteristics.

D. STATE IDENTIFIER

Since the CE is not designed to produce state-level estimates, summing the consumer unit weights by state will not yield state population totals. A CU's basic weight reflects its probability of selection among a group of primary sampling units of similar characteristics. For example, sample units in an urban nonmetropolitan area in California may represent similar areas in Wyoming and Nevada. Among other adjustments, CUs are post-stratified nationally by sex-age-race. For example, the weights of consumer units containing a black male, age 16-24 in Alabama, Colorado, or New York, are all adjusted equivalently. Therefore, weighted population state totals will not match population totals calculated from other surveys that are designed to represent state data.

To summarize, the CE sample was not designed to produce precise estimates for individual states. Although state-level estimates that are unbiased in a repeated sampling sense can be calculated for various statistical measures, such as means and aggregates, their estimates will generally be subject to large variances. Additionally, a particular state-population estimate from the CE sample may be far from the true state-population estimate.

XI. INTERPRETING THE DATA

Several factors should be considered when interpreting the expenditure data. The average expenditure for an item may be considerably lower than the expenditure by those CUs that purchased the item. The less frequently an item is purchased, the greater the difference between the average for all consumer units and the average of those purchasing. (See Section V.B. for ESTIMATION OF TOTAL AND MEAN EXPENDITURES). Also, an individual CU may spend more or less than the average, depending on its particular characteristics. Factors such as income, age of family members, geographic location, taste and personal preference also influence expenditures. Furthermore, even within groups with similar characteristics, the distribution of expenditures varies substantially.

Expenditures reported are the direct out-of-pocket expenditures. Indirect expenditures, which may be significant, may be reflected elsewhere. For example, rental contracts often include utilities. Renters with such contracts would record no direct expense for utilities, and therefore, appear to have no utility expenses. Employers or insurance companies frequently pay other costs. CUs with members whose employers pay for all or part of their health insurance or life insurance would have lower direct expenses for these items than those who pay the entire amount themselves. These points should be considered when relating reported averages to individual circumstances.

XII. APPENDIX 1--GLOSSARY

Population

The civilian noninstitutional population of the United States as well as that portion of the institutional population living in the following group quarters: Boarding houses, housing facilities for students and workers, staff units in hospitals and homes for the aged, infirm, or needy, permanent living quarters in hotels and motels, and mobile home parks. Urban population is defined as all persons living in a Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) and in urbanized areas and urban places of 2,500 or more persons outside of MSA's. Urban, defined in this survey, includes the rural populations within an MSA. The general concept of an MSA is one of a large population nucleus together with adjacent communities which have a high degree of economic and social integration with that nucleus. Rural population is defined as all persons living outside of an MSA and within an area with less than 2,500 persons.

Consumer unit (CU)

A consumer unit comprises either: (1) all members of a particular household who are related by blood, marriage, adoption, or other legal arrangements; (2) a person living alone or sharing a household with others or living as a roomer in a private home or lodging house or in permanent living quarters in a hotel or motel, but who is financially independent; or (3) two or more persons living together who use their income to make joint expenditures. Financial independence is determined by the three major expense categories: housing, food, and other living expenses. To be considered financially independent, at least two of the three major expense categories have to be provided entirely or in part by the respondent.

Reference person

The first member mentioned by the respondent when asked to "Start with the name of the person or one of the persons who owns or rents the home." It is with respect to this person that the relationship of other CU members is determined.

Income before taxes

The combined income earned by all CU members 14 years old or over during the 12 months preceding the interview. The components of income are: Wage and salary income, business income, farm income, Social Security income, Supplemental Security income, unemployment compensation, worker's compensation, public assistance, welfare, interest, dividends, pension income, income from roomers or boarders, other rental income, income from regular contributions, other income, and Food Stamps.

Income after taxes

Income before taxes minus personal taxes which includes Federal income taxes, state and local income taxes, and other taxes.

Complete income reporters

Prior to the introduction of income imputation in 2004, the distinction between complete and incomplete income reporters was based in general on whether the respondent provides values for major sources of income, such as wages and salaries, self-employment income, and social security income. Even complete income reporters may not have provided a full accounting of all income from all sources. CUs that reported across-the-board zero income were categorized as incomplete reporters.

Geographic regions

Data are presented for four major regions - Northeast, Midwest, South, and West. CUs are classified by region according to the address at which the CU was residing during the time of their participation in the survey. The regions comprise the following States:

Northeast - Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

Midwest - Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

South - Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and West Virginia.

West - Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

XIII. APPENDIX 2 -- UNIVERSAL CLASSIFICATION CODE (UCC) TITLES

*L denotes UCCs that could have negative values.

An underlined UCC represents either a new UCC or a deleted UCC. Please note that new UCCs may not be represented in all quarters. The quarter in which the addition (deletion) occurs is denoted by a leading superscript directly prior to the UCC code. For example, $^{N(D)051}(UCC)$ identifies a new (deleted) UCC beginning in Q051.

A. EXPENDITURE UCC'S ON EXPN FILE

001000	Stocks, bonds, mutual funds
001100	Precious metals
001200	Miscellaneous investments
001400	Employment counseling & fees
002000	Savings account deposit
002100	Insurance other than health, hospital, vehicle and property
002200	Retirement plans
004000	Contributions
004100	Cash gifts
004190	Gifts not specified
005000	Alimony and child support
009000	Mortgage payment including coop
009900	Property assessment
010110	Flour
010120 010210	Prepared flour mixes Cereal
010210	Rice
010320	
020110	Pasta, cornmeal, other cereal products White bread
020210	Bread other than white
020310	Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins
020410	Cakes and cupcakes, fresh and other, excluding frozen
020510	Cookies, excluding refrigerated dough
020610	Crackers, excluding crumbs
020620	Bread and cracker products
020710	Doughnuts, sweet rolls, coffeecakes, fresh and other, excluding frozen
020810	Frozen refrigerated and canned bakery products, such as biscuits, rolls, muffins, cakes,
	cupcakes, doughnuts, pies, tarts, turnovers, and miscellaneous products, including dough
00000	and batter
020820	Pies, tarts, turnovers, fresh and other, excluding frozen
030110	Ground beef, excluding canned
030210	Chuck roast, excluding canned
030310	Round roast, excluding canned
030410	Other beef roast, excluding canned
030510	Round steak, excluding canned
030610	Sirloin steak, excluding canned
030710	Other steak, excluding canned
030810	Other beef, excluding canned
040110	Bacon
040210	Pork chops
040310	Ham, excluding canned
040410	Other pork, excluding canned
040510	Pork sausage, excluding canned
040610	Canned ham
050110	Frankfurters, excluding canned
050210	Bologna, liverwurst, salami, excluding canned

050310	Other lunchmeat
050410	Lamb and organ meats, excluding canned
050900	Mutton, goat, game
060110	Fresh and frozen whole chicken
060210	Fresh or frozen chicken parts
060310	Other poultry
070110	Canned fish, seafood and shellfish
070230	Fresh fish and shellfish
070240	Frozen fish and shellfish
080110	Eggs
090110	Fresh milk all types
090210	Cream
100110	Butter
100210	Cheese
100410	Ice cream and related products, including frozen yogurt
100510	Other dairy products, including powdered milk, and fresh, canned and non-frozen yogurt
110110 110210	Apples
	Bananas
110310	Oranges
110410	Other fresh fruits
110510	Citrus fruits excluding oranges
120110	Potatoes
120210	Lettuce
120310	Tomatoes
120410	Other fresh vegetables
130110	Frozen orange juice
130121	Frozen fruits
130122	Frozen fruit juices
130211	Fresh fruit juices
130212	Canned/bottled fruit juices
130310	Canned fruits
130320	Dried fruits
140110	Frozen vegetables
140210	Canned beans
140220	Canned corn
140230	Miscellaneous canned vegetables, not collected in a separate UCC
140310	Other processed dried vegetables, such as squash, not collected in a separate UCC
140320	Dried peas
140330	Dried beans
140340	Dried carrots, onions, leafy greens, and cabbage
140410	Frozen vegetable juices
140420	Fresh/canned vegetable juices
150110	Candy and chewing gum
150211	Sugar
150212	Artificial sweeteners
150310	Jams, jellies, preserves and other sweets
160110	
	Margarine Fats and oils
160211	
160212	Salad dressings
160310	Non-dairy cream substitutes
160320	Peanut butter
170110	Cola drinks
170210	Other carbonated drinks
170310	Coffee, roasted
170410	Coffee, instant or freeze dried
170510	Noncarbonated fruit flavored drinks, including lemonade-non frozen
170520	Теа
170530	Other noncarbonated beverages and ice, excluding coffee and tea
180110	Soup
180210	Frozen meals

180220	Frozen prepared food other than meals
180310	Potato chips and other snacks
180320	Nuts
180410	Salt, other seasonings & spices
180420	Olives, pickles, relishes
180510	Sauces and gravies
180520	Other condiments
180611	Prepared salads
180612	Prepared desserts
180620	Baby food
180710	Miscellaneous prepared foods including items such as canned meats (see UCC's 030110 - 030810, 040410 - 040510, 050110, 050310 - 050410, 060110 - 060310), fresh and canned
	ethnic foods, fresh and canned pizza
180720	Vitamin supplements
190111	Lunch at Fast Food
190112	Lunch at Full Service
190113	Lunch at Vending Machine
190114	Lunch at Employer
190115	Lunch at Board
190116	Lunch at Catered Affairs
190211	Dinner at Fast Food
190212	Dinner at Full Service
190213	Dinner at Vending Machine
190214	Dinner at Employer
190215	Dinner at Board
190216	Dinner at Catered Affairs
190311	Snacks at Fast Food
190312	Snacks at Full Service
190313	Snacks at Vend Machine
190314	Snacks at Employer
190315	Snacks at Board
190316	Snacks at Catered Affairs
190321	Breakfast at Fast Food
190322	Breakfast at Full Service
190323	Breakfast at Vending Machine
190324	Breakfast at Employer
190325	Breakfast at Board
190326	Breakfast at Catered Affairs
190911	Board at Fast Food
190912	Board at Full Service
190913	Board at Vending Machine
190914	Board at Employer
190915	Board
190916	Board at Catered Affairs
190921	Catered Affairs at Fast Food
190922	Catered Affairs at Full Service
190923	Catered Affairs at Vending Machine
190924	Catered Affairs at Employer
190925	Catered Affairs at Board
190926	Catered Affairs
200111	Beer and ale at home
200112	Nonalcoholic beer
200210	Whiskey at home
200210	Wine at home
200310	
	Other alcoholic beverages at home
200511	Beer at Fast Food
200512	Beer at Full Service
200513	Beer at Vending Machine
200514	Beer at Employer
200515	Beer at Board

200516	Beer at Catered Affairs
200521	Wine at Fast Food
200522	Wine at Full Service
200523	Wine at Vending Machine
200524	Wine at Employer
200525	Wine at Board
200526	Wine at Catered Affairs
200531	Alcoholic Beverage Excluding Beer/Wine Fast Food
200532	Alcoholic Beverage Excluding Beer/Wine Full Service
200533	Alcoholic Beverage Excluding Beer/Wine Vending Machine
200534	Alcoholic Beverage Excluding Beer/Wine at Employer
200535	Alcoholic Beverage Excluding Beer/Wine at Board
200536	Alcoholic Beverage Excluding Beer/Wine Catered Affairs
210110	Rent of dwelling, including deposit and parking fees
210210	Lodging away from home
210310	Housing for someone at school
210900	Ground or land rent
220000	Capital improvements, not specified
220110	Fire/extended coverage insurance
220120	Homeowners insurance
220210	Property taxes
220400	Purchase of property or real estate
220510	Capital improvements - commodities
220610	Capital improvements - services
220900	Parking, owned dwelling
230000	Repair, maintenance, and improvements for built in dishwasher, garbage disposal, and
	range hood
230110	Maintenance of property, including items such as ceiling repair, black top, brick, or masonry
	work, air conditioner repair, roof and awning repair, house painting, papering, chimney
	cleaning, electrical inspection, furnace inspection and repair, wiring, pest control, carpenter,
	plumber, etc
230120	Installed hard surface flooring
230130	Installed wall-to-wall carpet
230140	Repair disposal, dishwasher, range hood
230900	Maintenance fees, such as service repair of property fees, management fees, homeowners
	association dues, condo fees, and community pool fees
240110	Paint, wallpaper and supplies
240120	Tools and equipment for painting and papering
240210	Lumber, paneling, tile, awning, glass, plywood, doors, windows, screens, siding, roofing and
	fencing materials
240220	Blacktop and masonry materials
240310	Plumbing supplies, fixtures and equipment
240320	Electric heating and air conditioning supplies and equipment
240900	Soft surface floor covering
250110	Fuel oil
250210	Bottled or tank gas
250220	Coal
250900	Miscellaneous fuels, such as wood, kerosene, charcoal, oil mix for gas, lawnmower oil,
	lamp oil, duraflame log, and sterno
260110	Electricity
260210	Utility - natural gas
270000	Telephone service, including public pay phones
270210	Water and sewerage maintenance
270310	Cable/Satellite/Com Antenna Serv
270410	Garbage, trash collection
270900	Septic tank cleaning
270905	Steam heat
280110	Bathroom linens
280120	Bedroom linens
280130	Kitchen and dining room linens

280210	Curtains and drapes, excluding shower
280220	Slipcovers, decorative pillows, and cushions
280230	Sewing materials for slipcovers, curtains, and other home handiwork
280900	Other linens
290110	Mattress and springs
290120	Other bedroom furniture
290210	Sofas
290310	Living room chairs
290320	Living room tables
290410	Kitchen and dining room furniture
290420	Infants' furniture
290420	Patio, porch or outdoor furniture
290430	Modular wall units, shelves or cabinets, or other living room, family or rec-room furniture
290440	
200110	including desks
300110	Refrigerator, home freezer
300210	Washers
300220	Dryers
300310	Stoves, ovens
300320	Microwave ovens
300330	Portable dishwashers
300410	Window air conditioners
300900	Miscellaneous household appliances
D(051)310110	Black and white TV's, and combination of TV with other items
D(051)310120	Color TV console and combinations of TV with other items, such as TV with VCR
^{D(051)} 310130	Color TV (portable and table models) and combinations of portable model color TV with
	other items, such as TV with radio
^{N(051)} 310140	Televisions
310210	Video players, video recorders, video tape player, video tape recorder, video disc player,
	video camera receiver and recorder, and camcorder
310220	Video cassettes, tapes and discs, laser discs, reels, prerecorded and blank video cassettes,
	video tapes, and diskettes
310230	Video game cartridges, TV computer games and software, Atari cartridges and supplies,
	computer joystick, games, and game cartridges
310311	Radio, not installed in vehicles
310312	Phonograph or record player
310313	Tape recorder and player
310320	Sound components, component systems, amplifiers, receivers, turn tables, tape decks,
010020	tuners, stereos, speakers, and compact disc sound systems
^{N(051)} 310241	Streaming Video Files
N(051) N(051) N(051)	Downloading Video Files
^{N(051)} 310314	Digital Audio Players
310331	
	Miscellaneous sound equipment
310332	Sound equipment accessories
310334	Satellite dishes
310340 N(051)242254	Records, CDs, and Audio Tapes
N(051)310351	Streaming Audio Files
^{N(051)} 310352	Downloading Audio Files
310900	Accessories for electronic equipment
320110	Room-size rugs and other non-permanent floor coverings
320120	Venetian blinds, window shades and other window coverings
320130	Infants' equipment
320140	Laundry and cleaning equipment
320150	Outdoor equipment
320210	Clocks
320220	Lamps and other lighting fixtures
320231	Other household decorative items, including fireplace equipment and accessories
320232	Telephones and accessories
320310	Plastic dinnerware
320320	China and other dinnerware
320330	Stainless, silver and other flatware

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320340	Glassware
320350	Silver serving pieces
320360	Serving pieces other than silver
320370	Nonelectric cookware
320380	Tableware, nonelectric kitchenware
320410	Lawnmowing equipment and other yard machinery, powered and nonpowered
320420	Power tools
320430	Other hardware, including curtain and drapery hardware, rope, portable ladders, sheds,
200544	non-permanent shelves and shelving
320511	Electric floor cleaning equipment
320512	Sewing machines
320521	Small electrical kitchen appliances
320522	Portable heating and cooling equipment
320610	Miscellaneous supplies and equipment, such as caulking compound, duct tape, carpet tape,
	carpet knife, bolts, screws, drill bits, door knobs, tool box, keys, mailbox, gutter screens,
	clamps, shelf brackets, tool table, work bench, etc
320620	Permanent hard surface floor covering
320630	Landscaping items, such as grass, grass seed, trees, shrubs, plants, sod, and fork lift
320901	Office furniture for home use
320902	Non-powered tools
320903	Fresh flowers or potted plants
320904	Closet and storage items
320905	Miscellaneous household equipment and parts
320906	Electronic testing equipment
330110	Soaps and detergents, excluding hand soaps
330210	Other laundry and cleaning products
330310	Paper towels, napkins, toilet tissue, facial tissue
330410	Stationery, giftwrap and wrap accessories, greeting cards, pens, pencils, tape
330510	Miscellaneous household products, including paper, plastic and foil products
330610	Lawn and garden supplies, including outdoor plants
340110	Postage
340120	Delivery services
340210	Babysitting or other home care for children
340310	Housekeeping service, such as housekeeping, cooking, maid service, interior decorating,
	and carpet and upholstery cleaning services
340410	Gardening and lawn care services, such as mowing, tree services, fertilizing, and yard work
340510	Moving, storage, and freight express
340520	Non-clothing household laundry or dry cleaning not coin operated
340530	Non-clothing household laundry or dry cleaning - coin-operated
340610	Repair of television, radio, and sound equipment, excluding installed in vehicles
340620	Repair of household appliances; including stove, vacuum, washer, dryer, sewing machine,
	refrigerator, and calculator; excluding garbage disposal, range hood, and built-in
	dishwasher
340630	Furniture repair, refurnishing, or reupholstery
340901	Rental or repair of lawnmowing equipment and other yard machinery, power and non-power
	tools
340903	Miscellaneous home services and small repair jobs not already specified
340904	Rental of furniture
340906	Care for invalids, convalescents, handicapped or elderly persons in the CU
340907	Rental of household equipment items, such as refrigerators, home freezers, washers,
040007	microwave ovens, dishwashers, water cooler, stroller, china; excluding tools and
	lawn/garden equipment
340908	
340900	Rental of office equipment for non-business use, includes items such as calculators,
0.40000	typewriters, projectors, and other office machines.
340909	Rental of TV or radio sound equipment
340913	Repair and alterations of miscellaneous household equipment, furnishings, and textiles
350110	Tenants' insurance
360110	Men's suits
360120	Men's sportcoats and tailored jackets
360210	Men's coats, jackets, and furs

360311	Men's underwear
360312	Men's hosiery
360320	Men's sleepwear/loungewear
360330	Men's accessories
360340	Men's sweaters and vests
360350	Men's active sportswear
360410	Men's shirts
360511	Men's pants
360512	Men's shorts and shorts sets, excluding athletic
360901	Men's uniforms
370110	Boys' coats, jackets, and furs
370120	Boys' sweaters
370130	Boys' shirts
370211	Boys' underwear
370212	Boys' sleepwear/loungewear
370213	Boys' hosiery
370220	Boys' accessories
370311	Boys' suits, sportcoats, and vests
370312	Boys' pants
370313	Boys' shorts and shorts sets, excluding athletic
370901	Boys' uniforms and active sportswear
380110	Women's coats, jackets and furs
380210	Women's dresses
380311	Women's sportcoats and tailored jackets
380312	Women's vests, sweaters, and sweater sets
380313	Women's shirts, tops, and blouses
380320	Women's skirts and culottes
380331	Women's pants
380332	Women's shorts and shorts sets, excluding athletic
380340	Women's active sportswear
380410	Women's sleepwear/loungewear
380420	Women's undergarments
380430	Women's hosiery
380510	Women's suits
380901	Women's accessories
380902	Women's uniforms
390110	Girls' coats, jackets, and furs
390120	Girls' dresses and suits
390210	
	Girls' sport coats, tailored jackets, shirts, blouses, sweaters, sweater sets, and vests
390221	Girls' skirts, culottes, and pants
390222	Girls' shorts and shorts sets, excluding athletic
390230	Girls' active sportswear
390310	Girls' undergarments and sleepwear/loungewear
390321	Girls' hosiery
390322	Girls' accessories
390901	Girls' uniforms
400110	Men's footwear
400210	Boys' footwear
400220	Girls' footwear
400310	Women's footwear
410110	Infants' coats, jackets, and snowsuits
410120	Infants' rompers, dresses, and sweaters
410130	Infants' undergarments, including diapers
410140	Infants' sleeping garments
410901	Infants' accessories, hosiery, and footwear
420110	Sewing material for making clothes
420120	Sewing notions, patterns
430110	Watches
430120	Jewelry
430130	Travel items, including luggage, and luggage carriers

440110	Shoe repair and other shoe services
440120	Apparel laundry and dry cleaning - coin-operated
440130	Alteration, repair, tailoring of apparel and accessories
440140	Clothing rental
440150	Watch and jewelry repair
440210	
	Apparel laundry and dry cleaning not coin operated
440900	Clothing storage
450110	New cars
450210	New trucks, pick-ups, vans, or jeeps
450220	New motorcycles, motor scooters, or mopeds
450310	Lease payment (car lease)
450410	Lease payment (truck/pick-up/van/jeep lease)
460110	Used cars
460901	Used trucks or vans
460902	Used motorcycles, motor scooters, or mopeds
460903	Used aircraft
470111	Gasoline
470112	Diesel fuel
470114	Gasohol
470211	Motor oil
470220	Coolant/antifreeze, oil, brake & transmission fluids, additives, and radiator/cooling system
TOLLO	protectant
480110	Tires (new, used or recapped); replacement and mounting of tires, and belting
480212	Vehicle products, such as wax, touch up paint, de-icer, protectant, polish, tar and bug
400212	
400040	remover, polish cloth, rubbing compound, auto freshener, etc
480213	Battery replacement, floormats, seatcovers, filter, brake parts, and other equipment,
	supplies, parts, and accessories for auto; boating supplies and accessories
480214	Vehicle audio equipment, excluding labor
490000	Miscellaneous auto repair and servicing
490110	Body work, painting, repair and replacement of upholstery, vinyl/convertible top, and glass
490211	Clutch and transmission repair
490212	Drive shaft and rear-end repair
490220	Brake work, excluding brake adjustment
490231	Steering or front end repair
490232	Cooling system repair
490311	Motor tune-up
490312	Lubrication and oil changes
490313	Front end alignment, wheel balance and rotation
490314	Shock absorber replacement
490315	Brake adjustment
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490316	Gas tank repair and replacement
490411	Exhaust system repair
490412	Electrical system repair
490413	Motor repair and replacement
500110	Vehicle insurance
520111	Vehicle registration - state
520112	Vehicle registration - local
520310	Drivers' license
520410	Vehicle inspection
520511	Auto rental, excluding trips
520521	Truck or van rental, excluding trips
520531	Parking fees at garages, meters, and lots, excluding fees that are costs of property
	ownership in home city
520541	Tolls or electronic toll passes
520550	Towing charges
^{N(051)} 520560	Global Positioning Services
520901	Docking and landing fees for boats and planes, boat ramp fees
520902	Rental of motorcycle, motor scooters, moped, etc., including mileage charges
520902	Rental of aircraft, including mileage charges
520904	Rental of non camper-type trailer, such as for boat or cycle

500110	
530110	Airline fares
530210	Intercity bus fares
530311	Intracity mass transit fares
530412	Taxi fares
530510	Intercity train fares
530901	Ship fares
530902	Private school bus
530903	Car/van pool & non-motorized transportation
540000	Prescription drugs and medicines
550110	Purchase of eye glasses or contact lenses, excluding exam fee
550210	Over-the-counter drugs
550310	Topicals and dressings, such as band aids, gauze, cotton balls/rolls
550320	Purchase of medical or surgical equipment for general use, such as thermometers,
	needles/syringes, ice bags, heating pads, (not including band aids, gauze, cotton rolls/balls)
550330	Purchase of supportive or convalescent medical equipment, such as crutches, wheelchairs,
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550340	Hearing aids
550410	Nonprescription vitamins
550900	Recreational drugs
560110	Physicians' services
560210	Dental services
560310	Eye exams, treatment or surgery, glass/lens service, glasses repaired
560330	Lab tests and x-rays
560400	Services by medical professionals other than physicians
570000	Hospital care not specified
570220	Care in convalescent in nursing home
570230	Other medical care service, such as ambulance service
570901	Rental of medical or surgical equipment for general use
570902	Repair of medical equipment
570903	Rental of supportive and convalescent equipment
580000	Hospital and health insurance not spec.
580110	Commercial health insurance
580210	Blue Cross or Blue Shield
580310	Health maintenance plans
580901	Medicare payments
590110	Newspapers (single copy and subscriptions)
590210	Magazines and periodicals (single copy and subscriptions)
590220	Books purchased through book clubs
590230	Books not purchased through book clubs
590900	Newsletters
600110	Outboard motor
600120	Unpowered boats, trailers
600130	Powered sports vehicles
600210	Ping pong, pool tables, other similar items, general sports equipment, and health and
	exercise equipment
600210	
600310	Bicycles
600410	Camping equipment
600420	Hunting and fishing equipment
600430	Winter sports equipment
600900	Water sports and miscellaneous sports equipment
^{N(051)} 600903	Global Positioning System Devices
610110	Toys, games, hobbies, tricycles, and battery powered riders
610120	Playground equipment
610130	Musical instruments and accessories
^{N(051)} 610140	Stamp And Coin Collecting
610210	Film
610220	Other photographic supplies
610230	Photographic equipment
610310	Pet food
610320	Pets, pet supplies and medicine for pets

610901	Fireworks
610902	Souvenirs
610903	Visual goods
620111	Membership fees for country clubs, health clubs, swimming pools tennis clubs, social or other recreational organizations, civic, service, or fraternal organizations
620112	Membership fees for credit card memberships
620113	Membership fees for automobile service clubs
620121	Fees for participant sports, such as golf, tennis, and bowling
620211	Admission fees for entertainment activities, including lectures, movie, theatre, concert, opera or other musical series
620221	Admission fees to sporting events
620310	Fees for recreational lessons or other instructions
620320	Photographer fees
620330	Film processing
620410	Pet services
620420	Veterinarian expenses for pets
620510	Miscellaneous fees for admissions
620610	Miscellaneous entertainment services
620710	Camp fees
620810	Rental and repair of sports, photographic and music equipment, passport fees
620912	Rental of video cassettes, tapes, and discs
620913	Coin-operated pinball/electronic video games
620915	Sport vehicle rental
620925	Lotteries and Parimutuel Losses
620926	Miscellaneous Fees
^{N(051)} 620930	
	Online Entertainment Services
630110	Cigarettes
630210	Cigars, pipe tobacco, and other tobacco products
630220	Smoking accessories
630900	Marijuana
640110	Hair care products
640120	Non-electric articles for the hair
640130	Wigs, hairpieces, and toupees
640210	Oral hygiene products, articles
640220	Shaving needs
640310	Cosmetics, perfume, cologne, bath preparations, hand soap, face and body powder, skin
	care products, nail preparations, manicure and eye make-up implements and accessories
640410	Deodorant, female hygiene products, miscellaneous personal care products and supplies
640420	Electrical personal care appliances
650110	Personal care services for females, including haircuts
650210	Personal care services for males, including haircuts
650900	Rental and repair of personal care appliances
660000	School supplies., etc unspec., including reference books not in a set
660110	School books, supplies, and equipment for college
660210	School books, supplies, and equipment for elementary and high school
660310	Encyclopedia and other sets of reference books
660900	School books, supplies, and equipment for day care center, nursery school and other
670110	Tuition for college
670210	Tuition for elementary and high school
670310	Other expenses for day care centers and nursery schools, including tuition
670901	Tuition for other schools
670902	Rentals of books and equipment, and other school-related expenses
680110	Legal fees, excluding real estate closing costs
680140	Funeral, burial or cremation expenses
680210	Safe deposit box rental
680220	Charges for checking accounts and other banking services, excluding safe deposit
680901	Purchase and upkeep of cemetery lots or vaults
680902 680003	Accounting fees
680903 ^{N(051)} 680904	Miscellaneous personal services, advertising, fines, duplicating services
080904	Dating Services

690110	Computers for non-business use, hardware and software excluding video games
690114	Computer information services
^{N(051)} 690115	Personal Digital Assistants
^{N(051)} 690116	Internet Services Away From Home
690210	Telephone answering devices
^{D(051)} 690220	Calculators
690230	Typewriters and other office machines for non-business use
999000	Home ownership expense not specified
999900	Taxes not specified

NOTE: The following lists the UCCs necessary to derive expenditures for these "food away" items:

[1] for LUNCH

190111, 190112, 190113, 190114, 190115, 190116

[2] for DINNER

190211, 190212, 190213, 190214, 190215, 190216

[3] for SNACKS

190311, 190312, 190313, 190314, 190315, 190316

[4] for BREAKFAST

190321, 190322, 190323, 190324, 190325, 190326

[5] for CATERED AFFAIRS 190921, 190922,190923, 90924, 190925, 190926

[6] for BOARD 190911, 190912, 190913, 190914, 190915, 190916

[7] for BEER 200511, 200512, 200513, 200514, 200515, 200516

[8] for WINE 200521, 200522, 200523, 200524, 200525, 200526

[9] for ALCOHLIC BEVERAGES, EXCL. BEER AND WINE 200531, 200532, 200533, 200534, 200535, 200536

B. INCOME AND RELATED UCC'S ON DTAB FILE

*L denotes UCC's could have negative values

- 800700 Meals received as pay
- 800710 Rent received as pay
- 800910 Payroll deductions for government retirement
- 800920 Payroll deductions for railroad retirement
- 800931 Payroll deductions for private pensions
- 800932 Non-payroll deposit to individual retirement plan, such as IRA's
- 800940 Payroll deductions for social security
- 900000 Wages and salaries
- *L 900010 Net business income
- *L 900020 Net farm income
 - 900030 Social security and railroad retirement income
 - 900040 Pensions and annuities
 - 900050 Dividends, royalties, estates, or trusts

- *L 900060 Income from roomers and boarders
- *L 900070 Other rental income
 - 900080 Interest from saving accounts or bonds
 - 900090 Supplemental security income
 - 900100 Unemployment compensation
 - 900110 Worker's compensation and veterans payments including education benefits
 - 900120 Public assistance or welfare including money received from job training grants such as job corps
 - 900131 Child support payments received
 - 900132 Other regular contributions received including alimony
 - 900140 Other income including money received from care of foster children, cash scholarships and fellowships or stipends not based on working
 - 900150 Food stamps
 - 910000 Lump sum payments from estates, trusts, royalties, alimony, child support, prizes or games of chance, or from persons outside of the CU
 - 910010 Money from sale of household furnishings, equipment, clothing, jewelry, pets or other belongings, excluding the sale of vehicles or property
 - 910020 Overpayment on social security
 - 910030 Refund from insurance policies
 - 910040 Refunds from property taxes
 - 910041 Lump sum child support payments received
 - 950000 Federal income tax
- *L 950001 Federal income tax refunds
 - 950010 State and local income tax
- *L 950011 State and local income tax refunds
 - 950021 Other taxes
 - 950022 Personal property taxes
- *L 950023 Other tax refunds
- *L 980000 Income before taxes
- 980010 Family size
 - 980020 Age of reference person
 - 980030 Number of earners
 - 980040 Number of vehicles
 - 980050 Number of persons under 18
 - 980060 Number of persons 65 and over
- *L 980070 Income after taxes

The following UCCs contain values of 100 depending on whether the CU satisfies the condition. For example, if the CU owns the home, then UCC 980090, homeowner, will have a value of 100. These UCCs are used at BLS to compute percentages for the published tables.

- 980090 Percent homeowner
- 980210 Percent male reference person
- 980220 Percent female reference person
- 980230 Percent homeowner with mortgage
- 980240 Percent homeowner without mortgage
- 980250 Percent homeowner with mortgage not reported
- 980260 Percent renter
- 980270 Percent black reference person
- 980280 Percent non-black reference person
- 980290 Percent reference person with elementary education
- 980300 Percent reference person with high school education
- 980310 Percent reference person with college education
- 980320 Percent reference person with no education and other
- 980330 Percent vehicle owner

XIV. APPENDIX 3 -- UCC AGGREGATION

The Dstub file in the Programs folder on the CD shows the UCC aggregation used in the sample program. This aggregation scheme may also be found on our website at www.bls.gov\cex.

XV. APPENDIX 4 -- FMLY AND MEMB VARIABLES ORDERED BY START POSITION

This appendix lists FMLY and MEMB variables in the order that they appear on the files. Sections III.E.1. CONSUMER UNIT (CU) CHARACTERISTICS AND INCOME FILE (FMLY) and III.E.2. MEMBER CHARACTERISTICS AND INCOME (MEMB) FILE contain detailed descriptions of these variables arranged on a functional basis.

Variable	Start Position	Variable	Start Position	Variable	Start Position
NEWID	1	FEDREFX	94	OCCU_IS2	494
ADDFEDX	9	FEDREFX	102	OTHRECX	508
ADDFEDX_	17	FINLWT21	148	OTHRECX	516
	18	FIRAX	159	OTHREFX	517
ADDOTHX_	26	FIRAX_	167	OTHREFX_	525
ADDSTAX	27	FREEMLX	186	PERSLT18	544
ADDSTAX_	35	FREEMLX_	194	PERS_T18	546
AGE_REF	36	FS_MTHI	348	PERSOT64	547
AGE_REF_	38	FS_MTHI_	350	PERS_T64	549
AGE2	39	HRSPRWK1	387	OCCULIS1	561
AGE2_	41	HRSP_WK1	390	OCCU_IS1	563
BLS_URBN	42	HRSPRWK2	391	POPSIZE	564
CUTENURE	43	HRSP_WK2	394	PTAXREFX	565
CUTE_URE	44	INSREFX	405	PTAX_EFX	573
DESCRIP	45	INSREFX_	413	RACE2	574
DESCRIP_	47	JGRCFDMV	432	RACE2_	575
EARNCOMP	57	JGRC_DMV	438	REC_FS	576
EARN_OMP	58	JGRCFDWK	439	REC_FS_	577
EDUC_REF	68	JGRC_DWK	445	REF_RACE	578
EDUC0REF	70	JGROCYMV	446	REFACE	579
EDUCA2	71	JGRO_YMV	452	REGION	580
EDUCA2_	73	JGROCYWK	453	REGION_	581
EMPLTYP1	74	JGRO_YWK	459	RESPSTAT	582
EMPL_YP1	75	LUMPX	460	RESP_TAT	583
EMPLTYP2	76	LUMPX_	468	SALEX	593
EMPL_YP2	77	MARITAL1	469	SALEX_	601
FAM_SIZE	78	MARI_AL1	470	SEX_REF	602
FAM_IZE	80	NO_EARNR	471	SEX_REF_	603
FAM_TYPE	81	NO_E_RNR	473	SEX2	604
FAMYPE	82	OCCEXPNX	483	SEX2_	605
FD_STMPS	92	OCCE_PNX	491	SMSASTAT	606
FD_S_MPS	93	OCCULIS2	492	SSREFX	607

A. FMLY FILE

Variable	Start Position	Variable	Start Position	Variable	Start Position
SSREFX	615	WTREP29	995	STATE	1518
STATREFX	616	WTREP30	1006	D(051)STATE	1520
STAT EFX	624	WTREP31	1017	CHDLMPX	1539
STRTDAY	625	WTREP32	1028	CHDLMPX	1533
STRTDAT	627	WTREP32	1028	POVLEV	1547
STRTYEAR	629	WTREP34	1059	POVLEV	1558
TAXPROPX	633	WTREP35	1050		1569
TAXPLOPX	641	WTREP36	1072	HORREF1	1576
TYPOWND	642	WTREP30	1083	HORREF1	1570
TYPOWND	643	WTREP38	1083	HORREF2	1578
VEHQ	653	WTREP39	1105	HORREF2	1578
VEHQ	655	WTREP40	1116	ALIOTHXM	1579
WEEKI	656	WTREP40 WTREP41	1127		1580
WEEKI	657	WTREP41	1127	ALIO_HXM ALIOTHX1	1590
WEEKN	658	WTREP42 WTREP43	1149	ALIOTHX1 ALIOTHX2	1591
WHYNWRK1		WTREP43			
	668		1160	ALIOTHX3	1607
	669 670	FOODTOT	1171 1183	ALIOTHX4 ALIOTHX5	1615 1623
WHYNWRK2		FOODHOME			
WHYN_RK2	671	CEREAL	1195	ALIOTHXI CHDOTHXM	1631
WK_WRKD1	672	BAKEPROD	1207		1634
WK_W_KD1	674	BEEF	1219	CHDO_HXM	1644
WK_WRKD2	675	PORK	1231	CHDOTHX1	1645
WK_W_KD2	677		1243	CHDOTHX2	1653
WTREP01	687	POULTRY	1255	CHDOTHX3	1661
WTREP02	698	SEAFOOD	1267	CHDOTHX4	1669
WTREP03	709	EGGS	1279	CHDOTHX5	1677
WTREP04	720	MILKPROD	1291	CHDOTHXI	1685
WTREP05	731	OTHDAIRY	1303	DIVXM	1688
WTREP06	742 753	FRSHFRUT	1315	DIVXM_	1698
WTREP07	753	FRSHVEG	1327	DIVX1 DIVX2	1699
WTREP08		PROCFRUT	1339		1707
WTREP09	775 786	PROCVEG	1351 1363	DIVX3	1715
WTREP10		SWEETS		DIVX4	1723
WTREP11 WTREP12	797	NONALBEV	1375	DIVX5	1731
WTREP12 WTREP13	808 819	OILS MISCFOOD	1387 1399	DIVXI FBSNSXM	1739
WTREP13	830	FOODAWAY	1411	FBSNSXM	1742 1753
WTREP15	841	ALCBEV	1423	FBSNSX1	1753
WTREP16	852	SMOKSUPP	1425	FBSNSX2	1763
WTREP17	863		1435	FBSNSX3	1703
WTREP18	874	PET_FOOD PERSPROD	1459	FBSNSX4	1781
WTREP18	885	PERSERV	1459	FBSNSX5	1790
WTREP20	896	DRUGSUPP	1483	FBSNSXI	1790
WTREP20 WTREP21	907	HOUSKEEP	1403	FFARMXM	1802
WTREP22	918	HH_CU_Q	1495	FFARMXM	1813
WTREP22	929			FFARMX1	
WTREP23	929 940	HH_CU_Q_ HHID	1509 1510	FFARMX1	1814 1823
WTREP24 WTREP25	940 951	HHID	1510	FFARMX2	1832
WTREP25	962	CHILDAGE	1513	FFARMX3	1841
WTREP26	962 973	CHILDAGE CHIL AGE		FFARMX5	
WTREP27 WTREP28	973 984	INCLASS	1515 1516	FFARMX5	1850 1859
WHITEF 20	904	INCLASS	1010		1009

Variable	Start Position	Variable	Start Position	Variable	Start Position
FFEDTXXM	1862	FSTATXXM	2204	OTHINX5	2554
FFED XXM	1872	FSTA XXM	2214	OTHINXI	2562
FFEDTXX1	1872	FSTA_XXXI	2214	OTHRNTXM	2565
	1881	FSTATXX2			
FFEDTXX2			2223	OTHR_TXM	2576
FFEDTXX3	1889 1897	FSTATXX3	2231 2239	OTHRNTX1	2577
FFEDTXX4		FSTATXX4		OTHRNTX2	2586
FFEDTXX5	1905	FSTATXX5	2247	OTHRNTX3	2595
FGVXM	1913	FSUPPXM	2255	OTHRNTX4	2604
FGVXM_	1921	FSUPPXM_	2265	OTHRNTX5	2613
FINCAFTM	1922	FSUPPX1	2266	OTHRNTXI	2622
FINC_FTM	1933	FSUPPX2	2274	PENSIONM	2625
FINCAFT1	1934	FSUPPX3	2282	PENS_ONM	2635
FINCAFT2	1943	FSUPPX4	2290	PENSION1	2636
FINCAFT3	1952	FSUPPX5	2298	PENSION2	2644
FINCAFT4	1961	FSUPPXI	2306	PENSION3	2652
FINCAFT5	1970	FWAGEXM	2309	PENSION4	2660
FINCBEFM	1979	FWAGEXM_	2319	PENSION5	2668
FINC_EFM	1990	FWAGEX1	2320	PENSIONI	2676
FINCBEF1	1991	FWAGEX2	2328	PERSTAXM	2679
FINCBEF2	2000	FWAGEX3	2336	PERS_AXM	2690
FINCBEF3	2009	FWAGEX4	2344	PERSTAX1	2691
FINCBEF4	2018	FWAGEX5	2352	PERSTAX2	2700
FINCBEF5	2027	FWAGEXI	2360	PERSTAX3	2709
FINCBEFI	2036	INC_RNKM	2363	PERSTAX4	2718
FJSSDEDM	2039	INCNKM	2372	PERSTAX5	2727
FJSS_EDM	2049	INC_RNK1	2373	POVERTYM	2736
FJSSDED1	2050	INC_RNK2	2382	POVE_TYM	2737
FJSSDED2	2058	INC_RNK3	2391	POVERTY1	2738
FJSSDED3	2066	INC RNK4	2400	POVERTY2	2739
FJSSDED4	2074	INC_RNK5	2409	POVERTY3	2740
FJSSDED5	2082	INTXM	2418	POVERTY4	2741
FPVTXM	2090	INTXM	2428	POVERTY5	2742
FPVTXM_	2098	INTX1	2429	ROOMXM	2743
FRRXM	2099	INTX2	2437	ROOMXM_	2752
FRRXM	2107	INTX3	2445	ROOMX1	2753
FS_AMTXM	2108	INTX4	2453	ROOMX2	2760
FS A TXM	2116	INTX5	2461	ROOMX3	2767
FS AMTX1	2117	INTXI	2469	ROOMX4	2774
FS_AMTX2	2123	JFS_AMTM	2472	ROOMX5	2781
FS_AMTX3	2129	JFS MTM	2480	ROOMXI	2788
FS AMTX4	2135	JFS_AMT1	2481	UNEMPXM	2791
FS_AMTX5	2141	JFS_AMT2	2487	UNEMPXM	2799
FS AMTXI	2147	JFS_AMT3	2493	UNEMPX1	2800
FSS_RRXM	2150	JFS_AMT4	2499	UNEMPX2	2806
FSS_RXM	2160	JFS_AMT5	2505	UNEMPX3	2812
FSS_RRX1	2161	OTHINXM	2511	UNEMPX4	2818
FSS_RRX2	2169	OTHINXM	2521	UNEMPX5	2824
FSS_RRX3	2177	OTHINX1	2522	UNEMPXI	2830
FSS_RRX4	2185	OTHINX2	2530	WELFRXM	2833
FSS RRX5	2193	OTHINX3	2538	WELFRXM	2843
FSS_RRXI	2201	OTHINX4	2546	WELFRX1	2844
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WELFRX2	2852	CHDO_HBX	2973	ROOMLOSB	3034
WELFRX3	2860	DIVB	2974	ROOM_OSB	3036
WELFRX4	2868	DIVB_	2976	ROOMLSBX	3037
WELFRX5	2876	DIVBX	2977	ROOM_SBX	3043
WELFRXI	2884	DIVBX_	2983	SALEB	3044
WRKRSXM	2887	INTB	2984	SALEB_	3046
WRKRSXM_	2897	INTB_	2986	SALEBX	3047
WRKRSX1	2898	INTBX	2987	SALEBX_	3053
WRKRSX2	2906	INTBX_	2993	UNEMPB	3054
WRKRSX3	2914	LUMPB	2994	UNEMPB_	3056
WRKRSX4	2922	LUMPB_	2996	UNEMPBX	3057
WRKRSX5	2930	LUMPBX	2997	UNEMPBX_	3063
WRKRSXI	2938	LUMPBX_	3003	WELFRB	3064
PICKCODE	2941	OTHINB	3004	WELFRB_	3066
ALIOTHB	2944	OTHINB_	3006	WELFRBX	3067
ALIOTHB_	2946	OTHINBX	3007	WELFRBX_	3073
ALIOTHBX	2947	OTHINBX_	3013	WRKRSB	3074
ALIO_HBX	2953	OTHLOSSB	3014	WRKRSB_	3076
CHDLMPB	2954	OTHL_SSB	3016	WRKRSBX	3077
CHDLMPB_	2956	OTHLOSBX	3017	WRKRSBX_	3083
CHDLMPBX	2957	OTHL_SBX	3023		
CHDL_PBX	2963	PNSIONB	3024		
CHDOTHB	2964	PNSIONB_	3026		
CHDOTHB_	2966	PNSIONBX	3027		
CHDOTHBX	2967	PNSI_NBX	3033		

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NEWID	1	IRAX	117	US_SUPP_	213
AGE	9	IRAX_	125	WHYNOWRK	223
AGE_	11	MARITAL	133	WHYN_WRK	224
ANYRAIL	57	MEMBNO	135	WKS_WRKD	225
ANYRAIL_	58	OCCULIST	137	WKS_RKD	227
ANYSSINC	59	OCCU_IST	139	SS_RRQ	228
ANYS_INC	60	PVTX	142	SS_RRQ_	232
CU_CODE1	70	PVTX_	150	ARM_FORC	242
EDUCA	72	RRX	153	ARM_ORC	243
EDUCA_	74	RRX_	161	IN_COLL	244
EMPLTYPE	75	SCHLNCHQ	162	IN_COLL_	245
EMPL_YPE	76	SCHL_CHQ	164	MEDICARE	246
FEDTXX	86	SCHLNCHX	165	MEDI_ARE	247
FEDTXX_	94	SCHL_CHX	173	PAYPERD	248
GROSPAYX	95	SEX	174	PAYPERD_	249
GROS_AYX	103	STA_SUPP	192	HORIGIN	250
GVX	104	STA_UPP	193	HISPANIC	251
GVX_	112	STATXX	194	HISP_NIC	252
HRSPERWK	113	STATXX_	202	MEMBRACE	253
HRSP_RWK	116	US_SUPP	212	RC_WHITE	254

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RC W ITE	255	SLFEMPS2	487	SUPPBX_	763
RC BLACK	256	SLFEMPS3	493	WAGEB	764
RC B ACK	257	SLFEMPS4	499	WAGEB	766
RC_NATAM	258	SLFEMPS5	505	WAGEBX	767
RC_N_TAM	259	SOCRRXM	511	WAGEBX_	773
RC_ASIAN	260	SOCRRXM	521	WIGEBIC_	110
RC_A_IAN	261	SOCRRX1	522		
RC_PACIL	262	SOCRRX2	530		
RC_P_CIL	263	SOCRRX3	538		
RC_OTHER	264	SOCRRX4	546		
RC_O_HER	265	SOCRRX5	554		
RC_DK	266				
RC_DK_	267	SS_RRXM	562		
ASIAN	268	SS_RRXM_	572		
ASIAN_	269	SS_RRX1	573		
ANFEDTXM	268	SS_RRX2	581		
ANFE_TXM	276	SS_RRX3	589		
ANGVXM	277	SS_RRX4	597		
ANGVXM_	285	SS_RRX5	605		
ANPVTXM	286	SS_RRXI	613		
ANPVTXM_	294	SUPPXM	616		
ANRRXM	295	SUPPXM_	626		
ANRRXM_	303	SUPPX1	627		
ANSTATXM	304	SUPPX2	635		
ANST_TXM	312	SUPPX3	643		
BSNSXM	313	SUPPX4	651		
BSNSXM_	324	SUPPX5	659		
BSNSX1	325	SUPPXI	667		
BSNSX2	334	WAGEXM	670		
BSNSX3	343	WAGEXM_	680		
BSNSX4	352	WAGEX1	681		
BSNSX5	361	WAGEX2	689		
BSNSXI	370	WAGEX3	697		
FARMXM	373	WAGEX4	705		
FARMXM	384	WAGEX5	713		
FARMX1	385	WAGEXI	721		
FARMX2	394	BSNSB	724		
FARMX3	403	BSNSB	726		
FARMX4	412	BSNSBX	727		
FARMX5	421	BSNSBX	733		
FARMXI	430	FARMB	734		
JSSDEDXM	433	FARMB_	736		
JSSD_DXM	441	FARMBX	737		
JSSDEDX1	442	FARMBX_	743		
JSSDEDX2	448	SS_RRB	744		
JSSDEDX3	454	SS_RRB_	746		
JSSDEDX4	460	SS RRBX	747		
JSSDEDX4	466	SS_RRBX_	753		
SLFEMPSM	400	SUPPB	754		
SLFE PSM	472	SUPPB	756		
SLFEMPS1	480	SUPPBX	757		
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APPENDIX 5--PUBLICATIONS AND DATA RELEASES FROM THE CONSUMER EXPENDITURE SURVEY

Consumer Expenditures in 2005	Consumer unit income and expenditures, integrated data from Diary and Interview Surveys, classified by consumer unit characteristics. 10 tables.
Consumer Expenditure Survey Anthology, Report 981 (2005)	A collection of analytical and methodological articles using Consumer Expenditure Survey data
Consumer Expenditures in 2003, Report 986 (2005)	Consumer unit income and expenditures, integrated data from Diary and Interview Surveys, classified by consumer unit characteristics. 10 tables.
Consumer Expenditures in 2002, Report 974 (2004)	Consumer unit income and expenditures, integrated data from Diary and Interview Surveys, classified by consumer unit characteristics. 10 tables.
Consumer Expenditure Survey Anthology, Report 967 (2003)	A collection of analytical and methodological articles using Consumer Expenditure Survey data.
Consumer Expenditures in 2001, Report 966 (2003)	Consumer unit income and expenditures, integrated data from Diary and Interview Surveys, classified by consumer unit characteristics. 10 tables. Available on request (202)691-6900.
Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2000- 2001, Report 969 (2003)	Consumer unit income and expenditures, integrated data from Interview and Diary Surveys, classified by consumer unit characteristics: one way and cross tabulations, relative and aggregate shares. 64 tables.
Consumer Expenditures in 2000, Report 958 (2002)	Consumer unit income and expenditures, integrated data from Diary and Interview Surveys, classified by consumer unit characteristics. 10 tables. Available on request (202)691-6900.
Consumer Expenditure Survey, 1998- 99, Report 955	Consumer unit income and expenditures, integrated data from Interview and Diary Surveys, classified by consumer unit characteristics: one way and cross tabulations, relative and aggregate shares. 64 tables.
Consumer Expenditures in 1999, Report 949 (2001)	Consumer unit income and expenditures, integrated data from Diary and Interview Surveys, classified by consumer unit characteristics. 10 tables. Available on request (202)691-6900.
Consumer Expenditures in 1998, Report 940 (2000)	Consumer unit income and expenditures, integrated data from Diary and Interview Surveys, classified by consumer unit characteristics. 10 tables. Available on request (202)691-6900.

For information on the availability of prior publications, please contact us at (202) 691-6900 or e-mail us at cexinfo@bls.gov.

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CONSUMER EXPENDITURE SURVEY DATA ON THE INTERNET

Commonly-requested CE data tables can be found on-line at <u>http://www.bls.gov/cex/</u>. The following One and Two-year Tables of integrated Diary and Interview data are available under the <u>Tables Created by BLS</u> heading:

One Year Tables

Standard Tables from 1984-2005 Expenditure Shares Tables from 1998-2005 Aggregate Expenditure Shares Tables from 1998-2005

Two Year Tables

Cross-Tabulated Tables from 1986-2005 *Metropolitan Statistical Area Tables* from 1986-2005 *Region Tables* from 1998-2005 *High Income Tables* from 1998-2005 *Multi-Year Tables* for 1984-1992 and 1993-2005

FAX ON DEMAND - FAXSTAT

FAXSTAT contains information and data that may be faxed to users from a touch-tone phone 24 hours a day -- 7 days a week. To receive FAXSTAT transmissions dial (202) 691-6325 and follow the voice prompts. CE data that are accessible on FAXSTAT are for the most recent year available

CD-ROMS

CE microdata on CD-Rom are available from the Bureau of Labor Statistics for 1972-73, 1980-81, 1990-91, 1992-93, and for each individual year from 1994-2005. The 1980-81 through 2005 releases contain Interview and Diary data, while the 1972-73 CD includes Interview data only. The 1980-81, and the 1990 files (of the 1990-91 CD) include selected EXPN data, while the 1991 files (from the 1990-91 CD) and the 1992-93 CD do not. In addition to the Interview and Diary data, the CDs from 1994-2005 include the complete collection of EXPN files. A 1984-94 "multi-year" CD that presents Interview FMLY file data is also available. In addition to the microdata, the CD's also contain the same integrated Diary and Interview tabulated data (1984-present) that are found on the Consumer Expenditure Survey web site (http://www.bls.gov/cex).

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XVII. INQUIRIES, SUGGESTIONS, AND COMMENTS

If you have any questions, suggestions, or comments about the survey, the microdata, or its documentation please call (202) 691-6900 or email <u>cexinfo@bls.gov</u>.

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The Bureau of Labor Statistics will use these responses in planning future releases of the microdata files.