

Sneak Peek: CE Now and in the Future

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CE Vision

The Consumer Expenditure Surveys Program will provide the Nation with accurate and complete information on consumer spending, based on methodologically sound surveys, efficient processing, and timely dissemination



Where are we headed and what have we done lately?

Outline

- What's new for tables and microdata
- Weights for five selected states
- Next annual release date
- Economic stimulus data
- Future development



New Changes for Tables

Recently:

- Census Divisions
- Updated Generations
- Tenure/Type of Area



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2019 Developments: Census Divisions

REGION	DIVISION	STATES
Northeast	New England	Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont
	Middle Atlantic	New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania
South	South Atlantic	Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia
	East South Central	Alabama, Kentucky, Mississippi, Tennessee
	West South Central	Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Texas
Midwest	East North Central	Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin
	West North Central	Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota
West	Mountain	Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming
	Pacific	Alaska, California, Hawaii, Oregon, Washington



2020 Developments: Generational Tables

- New generational categories, including those born after 1996
- This will split up the Millennials into 1981-1996, and the new Post-Millennials, born 1997+



- Publication date: September 9, 2020
 - ▶ First released with Midyear tables in April 2020

2020 Developments: Tenure/Type of Area

- Housing Tenure and Type of Area Tables
 - ▶ Previously Combined
 - ▶ Now Broken Out
 - Released with Midyear Tables in April 2020
 - ▶ More User Friendly

2020 Developments: State Weights

- Research is ongoing
- Weights for five states:
 - ▶ CA, FL, NJ, NY, TX
 - ▶ New State-level income tables were released July 2020

2020 Developments: PUMD

- Pre-1996 PUMD Data is now online!
 - ▶ Released February 2020
 - ▶ Data is now available beginning with 1980



Future: Veterans Status Table

- Previously, CE asked a question if anyone in the household is currently in the US military
- The CE has added a new question asking if anyone had served previously
- Started in July 2018 in the Interview survey, and January 2019 for the Diary
- A new table will be added when we have enough data



Future: 2020 Economic Stimulus Payments

- Data for 2020 will include variables reflecting the 2020 Economic Stimulus Payments
 - ▶ Data collection started June 2020
- Similar to CE treatment of 2008-2009 Economic Rebate Payments
 - ▶ Paulin Article: <https://www.bls.gov/cex/taxrebate.htm> (October 2009)

Future: 2020 Economic Stimulus Payments

- New UCC will map to MTAB and capture the amount of stimulus payment received.
- Data will be reflected in the published tables and microdata
 - ▶ Reflected in all bulletin and prepublication tables for 2020
- Will be included in the April 2021 midyear tables and the annual 2020 data to be released September 2021

Questions?



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