

Appendix 9. Non-POPS sample designs

For each non-POPS entry-level item (electricity, for example), the following information is given below:

1. Source of the universe data
2. Sampling unit for outlets
3. Measure of size
4. Desired final pricing unit
5. Number of designated outlets and designated quotes.

EC011 Postage

1. The distribution of household mail by type of postal service and postal zone as determined by the Postal Service in the *Household Mailstream Study, Final Report*, prepared for the U.S. Postal Service.
2. U.S. Postal Service.
3. Postal revenue for each type of postal service and postal zone.
4. Specific postal service and zones traveled.
5. Outlets 130; quotes 348.

ED031 Wireless telephone services

1. Federal Communications Commission inventory of wireless telephone companies.
2. Companies within A and B cellular blocks that serve each CPI sample area.
3. Number of subscribers.
4. Specific calling plan.
5. Outlets 124; quotes 124.

GD061 Care of invalids, elderly, and convalescents in the home

1. National Association of Home Care facilities in the United States

2. Facilities providing adult home care in each CPI sample area.
3. Each facility within a given CPI sample area receives an equal measure of size; that is, none available.
4. Specific services provided.
5. Outlets 343; quotes 597.

HB011 Housing while at school

1. Schools reported for college tuition in the TPOPS survey.
2. Schools reported for college tuition by consumers in each CPI sample area.
3. Expenditures reported for college tuition.
4. Specific housing fee for the college.
5. Outlets 322; quotes 723.

HD011/TE011 Insurance—tenants/motor vehicle

1. Data file of insurance companies obtained from A.M. Best Data Center.
2. Insurance companies serving the States in which the CPI sample areas are located.
3. Total revenue for noncommercial policies by type of insurance.
4. Specific policy serving within each CPI sample area.
5. Motor Vehicle: Outlets 438; quotes 952.
Tenants: Outlets 208; quotes 213.

HF011 Electricity

1. a. Consumer Expenditure (CE) survey.
b. Direct Information from the Bureau of Labor Statistics Regional Field Offices.
2. Electric utility companies reported in the CE survey or electric utility companies serving each of the CPI sample areas.

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3. Expenditures reported for electricity in the CE survey or an estimate of the number of residential customers provided by the Field Offices.
4. Specific type of service for a specific number of kilowatt hours.
5. CPI: Outlets 1,520; quotes 1,520.
Average prices: 548 additional quotes.

HF021 Utility (piped) gas service

1. a. Consumer Expenditure (CE) survey.
b. Direct information supplied by the Regional Field Offices.
2. Gas utility companies reported in the CE survey or gas companies serving each of the CPI sample areas.
3. Expenditures reported for piped gas in the CE survey or an estimate of the number of residential customers provided by the Field Offices.
4. Specific type of service and specific number of cubic feet or therms of gas.
5. CPI: Outlets 1,520; quotes 1,520.
Average Prices: 1096 additional quotes.

MD021 Nursing and convalescent home care

1. National Center for Health Statistics data file consisting of an inventory of long-term care facilities in the United States.
2. Facilities providing nursing home care in each CPI sample area.
3. Number of beds.
4. Specific accommodations and services provided.
5. Outlets 552; quotes 1,314.

TA021 Used vehicles

1. J.D. Power and Associates, Power Information Network.
2. NADA, E-Valuator.

3. Expenditures reported for used vehicles in the CE survey.
4. Specific used vehicles with specific options.
5. Outlets 480; quotes 480.

TF011 State vehicle registration, license, and vehicle property taxes

1. *Digest of Motor Laws*.
2. State motor vehicle departments in each CPI sample area
3. Revenue generated by each type of fee.
4. Specific class/vehicle registration, type of license, or vehicle property tax.
5. Outlets 113; quotes 340.

TG011 Airline fares

1. U.S. Department of Transportation data file consisting of a 10-percent sample of all passenger itineraries originating in the United States.
2. All airlines providing service from any CPI sample area.
3. Total nonbusiness passenger ticket revenue per airline, per trip itinerary, per fare class.
4. Specific trip itinerary and fare class for the selected airline.
5. Outlets 1,948; quotes 1,948.

TG022 Intercity train service

1. Data file of intercity train trips provided by Amtrak and the Alaskan Railroad.
2. Amtrak and the Alaskan Railroad.
3. Number of tickets sold.
4. Specific trip and class.
5. Outlets 372; quotes 407.