

Public-Use Microdata Order Form

A Brief Description of the Public-Use Microdata (PUMD)

The Bureau of Labor Statistics sells USB flash drives containing annual Consumer Expenditure (CE) Survey PUMD prior to 1996. The USB flash drives contain all available pre-1996 data sets, either separate or various combinations of Interview survey data, Diary survey data, EXPN files, and tabulated data (see the contents section in the table for a particular year's exact contents).

The Interview survey collects data on monthly expenditures for housing, apparel and services, transportation, health care, entertainment, personal care, reading, education, food, tobacco, cash contributions, and personal insurance and pensions, as well as income and characteristics data. The Interview survey data are organized into four major data files for each quarter:

1. FMLI-a file with characteristics, income, and summary level expenditures for the household
2. MEMI-a file with characteristics and income for each member in the household
3. MTBI-a detailed monthly expenditure file categorized by Universal Classification Code (UCC)
4. ITBI-a household monthly income file categorized by UCC

The Interview EXPN files contain expenditure and non-expenditure information collected directly from all of the major sections of the quarterly Interview survey. These files are more detailed than the other Interview survey files alone. Roughly 50 EXPN datasets are available for each data release.

The Diary survey collects data on weekly expenditures of frequently purchased items such as food at home, food away from home, alcoholic beverages, smoking supplies, personal care products and services, and nonprescription drugs, as well as income and characteristics data. The Diary survey data are organized into four major data files for each quarter:

- 1) FMLD- a file with characteristics, income, and summary level expenditures for the household
- 2) MEMD- a file with characteristics and income for each member in the household
- 3) EXPD-a detailed weekly expenditure file categorized by UCC
- 4) DTBD-a detailed annual income file categorized by UCC

For years prior to 1996, the PUMD are available only in ASCII (.txt) files. Beginning in 1996, the PUMD are available in comma separated (.csv), SAS (.sas7bdat), SPSS (.sav), and STATA (.dta) data sets. These data sets are available for free download at <http://www.bls.gov/cex/pumhome.htm>

For further technical information, [contact](#) the Division of Consumer Expenditure Survey.

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You will receive a USB flash drive containing all the following data files:

Year	Contents
• 1995	Interview, EXPN, and Diary survey data. Also includes 1984-95 tables of average annual expenditure estimates.
• 1994	Interview, EXPN, and Diary survey data. Also includes 1984-94 tables of average annual expenditure estimates.
• 1992-93	Interview and Diary survey data. Also includes 1984-93 tables of average annual expenditure estimates.
• 1990-91	Interview and Diary survey data. Also includes 1984-94 tables of average annual expenditure estimates.
• 1984-94	Selected Interview survey data. (<i>Only FMLY file data</i>)

- 1980-81 Interview and Diary survey data. Also includes 1984-95 tables of average annual expenditure estimates.
- 1972-73 Interview survey data including 1984-95 tables of average annual expenditure estimates.

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