

Consumer Expenditure Survey Data Users' Needs Forum
June 21-22, 2010
BLS Conference Center

Monday, June 21 — Meeting Government Data Needs

- 8:30-9:00 **Registration**
- 9:00-9:10 am **Welcome & Introductions**
Steven Henderson
Chair, Data Users' Needs Forum Team
Keith Hall
Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics
- 9:10-9:40 **User Needs in the CE Redesign**
Michael Horrigan
Associate Commissioner, Office of Prices and Living Conditions
Jay Ryan
Chief, Division of Consumer Expenditure Surveys
- 9:40-10:10 am **CPI Needs**
William Casey
Economist, Index Cost Weights and Special Projects Section, Division of
Consumer Prices and Price Indexes
- 10:10-10:30 *Questions for BLS presenters*
- 10:30-10:45 am **Break**
- 10:45-12:00 pm **Aggregate Statistics**
Chair: Bill Passero, Division of Consumer Expenditure Surveys
Cathy A. Cowan
Economist, Office of the Actuary/National Health Statistics Group,
Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services
Arnold J. Katz
Economist, National Economic Accounts Research Group, Bureau of
Economic Analysis
Wu-Lang Lee
Economist, Research, Analysis, and Statistics, Internal Revenue Service
Time for Questions & Answers

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Monday, June 21 (continued)

12:00-1:15 pm ***Lunch (on your own)***

1:15-2:15 pm **Detailed Data Needs I**

Chair: Laura Paszkiewicz, Division of Consumer Expenditure Surveys

Mark Lino

Economist, Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services, USDA

Kathleen S. Short

Economist, Bureau of the Census

Carol Adaire Jones

Senior Economist, Economic Research Service, USDA

Time for Questions & Answers

2:15-2:30 pm ***Break***

2:30-3:45 pm **Detailed Data Needs II**

Chair: Rob McClelland, Chief, Division of Price and Index Number Research

Ed Harris

Analyst, Tax Analysis Division, Congressional Budget Office

Phillip Anthony

Research Analyst, Division of Tax Research, Minnesota Department of Revenue

Kenneth Hanson

Senior Economist, Economic Research Service, USDA

Time for Questions & Answers

3:45-4:00 pm **Meeting Government Data Needs**

Jesse Rothstein

Chief Economist, Department of Labor

4:00-5:00 pm ***Information Sharing Reception***

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**Tuesday, June 22 — Macroeconomic Statistics, Economic Well-Being, and
Analysis of Consumer Behavior**

- 8:30-9:00 **Registration**
- 9:00-9:15 am **Welcome to Day 2**
Jay Ryan
Chief, Division of Consumer Expenditure Surveys
- 9:15-10:45 am **Macroeconomic Statistics**
Chair: Barry Bosworth, Senior Fellow, The Brookings Institution
Christopher D. Carroll
John Hopkins University
Thomas Crossley
University of Cambridge
John Sabelhaus
University of Maryland
Mark Bills
University of Rochester
Time for Questions & Answers
- 10:45-11:00 am **Break**
- 11:00-12:00 pm **Economic Well-being**
Chair: Thesia Garner, Division of Price and Index Number Research
Jared Bernstein
Chief Economist and Economic Policy Adviser to the Vice President
Geng Li
Economist, Division of Research and Statistics, Federal Reserve Board
Time for Questions & Answers
- 12:00-1:15 pm **Lunch (on your own)**

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Tuesday, June 22 (continued)

- 1:15-2:15 pm **Analysis of Consumer Behavior**
Chair: Geoffrey Paulin, Division of Consumer Expenditure Surveys
- Bruce Meyer
Northwestern University
- Janet Wagner
Director, Center for Excellence in Service, University of Maryland
- Sherman Hanna
Consumer Sciences Department, Ohio State University
- Time for Questions & Answers*
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- 2:15-2:30 pm **Break**
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- 2:30-3:30 pm **Panel Discussion**
Moderator: Jay Ryan, Chief, Division of Consumer Expenditure Surveys
- Brent Moulton
Associate Director, National Economic Accounts, Bureau of Economic
Analysis
- Laura Wheaton
Senior Research Associate, The Urban Institute
- John Eltinge
Associate Commissioner, Office of Survey Methods Research, Bureau of
Labor Statistics
- Time for Questions & Answers*
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- 3:30-3:45 pm **Closing Remarks**
- Michael Horrigan
Associate Commissioner, Office of Prices and Living Conditions