

Microdata Sneak Peek: Where are we going this year and beyond?

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Vision

The Consumer Expenditure Survey 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

- Faster Microdata and tables
- New directions for tables and Microdata
- Estimates for selected states?
- CE Redesign
- Rounding CE microdata variables?



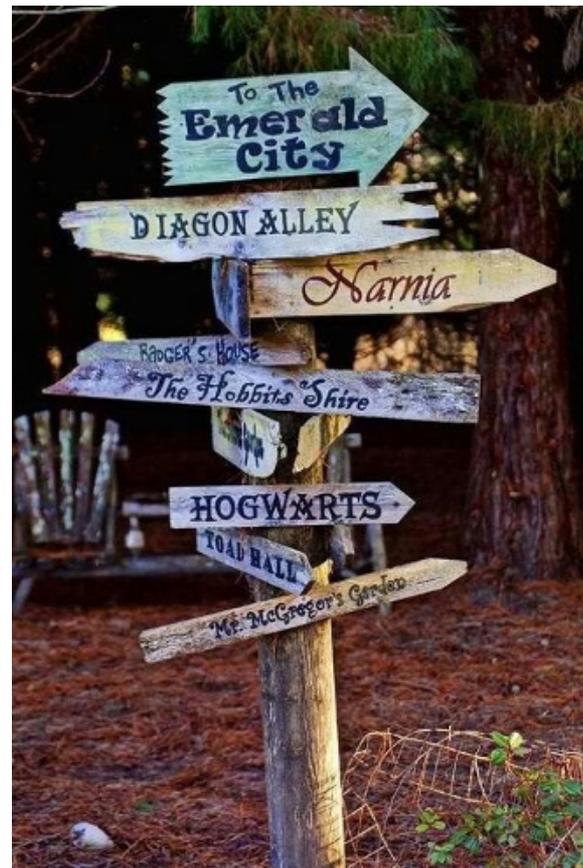
Faster Microdata and Tables

- 2010 data: September 27
- 2012 data: September 10
- 2014 data: September 3
- 2015 data: **August 30, 2016**



New Directions for Tables

- New comprehensive All-Income Table merges three previous versions (“High, Medium, and Low”?)
- Detailed Prepublication table
- Spending by Generation



New Directions for Microdata

- New more detailed geographic Census Divisions in addition to Census Regions
- No more collected income taxes



New Directions for Microdata

- New Public Use Microdata Webpage!



Estimates for Selected States

Work in Progress by the Statistical Methods Division

- Susan King's initial research
- Sample sufficiency state-by-state
- Need two years of new sample?
- Expect to be very useful



CE Gemini Redesign

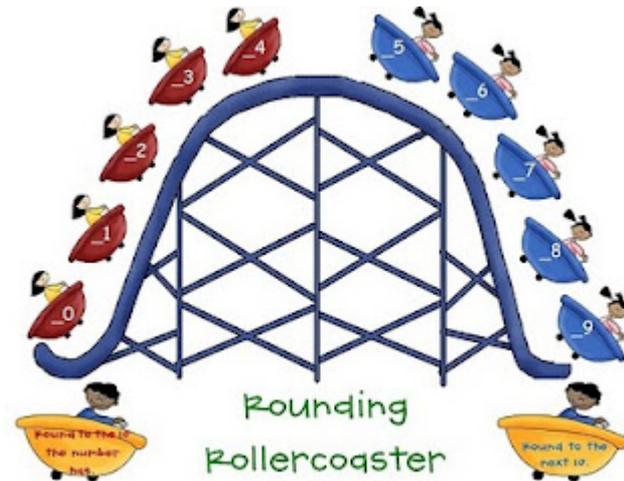
Work in Progress by the CE Division

- Carefully putting the pieces together
- Testing the approach
- Work continues towards launch

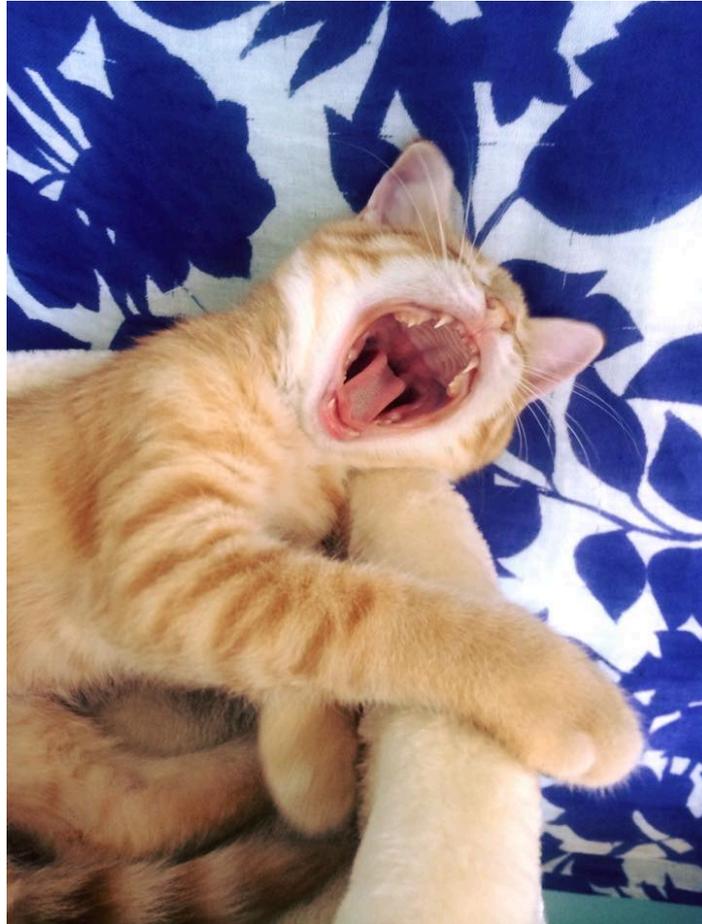


Rounding CE Microdata?

- **We NEED your help**
- To protect confidentiality, the CE has been asked to round the dollar amounts in the Public Use Microdata to the third digit
- \$.01 to \$9.99 to pennies
\$10.01 to \$99.99 to dimes
\$100.00 to \$999.99 to dollars
\$1,000.00 to \$9,999.99 to ten dollars
\$10,000.00 to \$99,999.99 to one hundred dollars
- What would the impact be on your research? We want to study the results using your help



Any questions?



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