

Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: Quarterly Food-at-Home Price Database Methodology Report
Type of Report (ERR, EIB, EB) EIB
 Influential Scientific Information
Agency: Economic Research Service Highly Influential Scientific Assessment
USDA
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Subject of Review: This report describes the data and methodology used to create the ERS Quarterly Food-at-Home Price Database. Using purchase records from the 1998-2006 Nielsen Homescan data, we create 52 separate food categories and calculate the quarterly average price-per-gram for 24 sub-regional markets for each food category. The food categories were created to correspond with the US Department of Health and Human Services (USDHHS) and US Department of Agriculture (USDA) *Dietary Guidelines* as well as to capture price premiums for convenience, level of preparation and other processing. This database will support research on the economic determinants of diet quality and health outcomes

Purpose of Review: The purpose of the review is to ensure the high-quality of the economic analysis, transparent explanation of methods, objective interpretation of results, and effective communication to the intended audience.

Type of Review: Panel Review Individual Reviewers
 Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: 10/27/09 End: 03/02/10 Completed: 03/02/10

Number of Reviewers: 3 or fewer 4 to 10 More than 10

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Economists

Reviewers selected by: Agency Designated Outside Organization
Organization's Name:

Opportunities for Public Comment? Yes No
If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:
How:
When:

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments? Yes No
Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel? Yes No