

Table 1: Mean Comparison between CAMS generated, RAND CAMS, and Wave Consistent CAMS generated spending categories

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	CAMS Generated	RAND CAMS	Wave Consistent
total	40990.7 (38456.4)	40286.7 (32454.5)	39505.3 (37038.4)
nondurables	22630.2 (22928.4)	23064.0 (19936.3)	21144.8 (21486.3)
durables	338.4 (762.8)	334.2 (712.7)	338.4 (762.8)
transportation	7876.8 (13134.3)	8221.1 (12476.1)	7876.8 (13134.3)
housing	10145.3 (15709.0)	8667.5 (11095.3)	10145.3 (15709.0)

The spending categories are defined in accordance with page 9 (Table 1: Variable Names Across Waves) of the RAND.CAMS_2015V2 Data Documentation file.

The wave consistent measures are CAMS generated and exclude house services, yard services, personal care, and household furnishings (which effect total and nondurables).

The housing category is larger for the CAMS generated measures, because RAND eliminates principal from mortgage spending so that only mortgage interest and charges remain.

The other differences can be explained by the lack of imputation from the CAMS generated values. These values have also been winsorized.

The number of observations is 30124.

Table 2: Mean Comparison between CAMS generated, RAND CAMS, and Wave Consistent CAMS generated spending categories (real adjusted)

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	CAMS Generated	RAND CAMS	Wave Consistent
total	36184.2 (34195.4)	35589.7 (28995.4)	34906.8 (33051.7)
nondurables	19987.6 (20531.8)	20372.7 (17844.2)	18710.2 (19372.3)
durables	299.9 (682.9)	296.1 (636.1)	299.9 (682.9)
transportation	6982.5 (11719.9)	7290.5 (11156.3)	6982.5 (11719.9)
housing	8914.2 (13901.0)	7630.4 (9994.3)	8914.2 (13901.0)

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