

MODEL PREDICTIONS VS. CPS CHOICE FREQUENCIES

Age Range	NLSY*	CPS (Year) [†]	DP-Basic*	DP-Extended [†]	Approximation*
White-Collar					
16–19	.043	.064 (1981)	.052	.043	.041
20–23	.190	.187 (1985)	.176	.187	.180
24–26	.344	.345 (1989)	.307	.335	.332
24–27	...	.348 (1989)	.323	.343	.349
28–31	...	.384 (1993)	.365	.375	.443
30–33	...	.413 (1995)	.370	.388	.472
35–44	...	.449 (1995)	.405	.430	.547
Blue-Collar					
16–19	.171	.265 (1981)	.199	.182	.176
20–23	.430	.432 (1985)	.416	.418	.434
24–26	.475	.472 (1989)	.544	.490	.498
24–27	...	.476 (1989)	.565	.494	.498
28–31	...	.465 (1993)	.616	.539	.495
30–33	...	.460 (1995)	.624	.547	.487
35–44	...	.423 (1995)	.595	.541	.440

* Military is excluded to facilitate comparison with CPS (which is a civilian sample).

[†] Choice frequencies pertain to whites in the March CPS from the years indicated. We classify a person as working if, over the previous calendar year, he worked at least 35 weeks and, in those weeks, he worked at least 20 hours per week on average. The occupation is that held longest in the previous year.