ERRATA – Interview MEMB file
Consumer Expenditure Public-Use Microdata
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To users of the **2009** Consumer Expenditure Public Use Microdata Files:

Due to a processing error, several records in 2009Q3 were missing information regarding the 2009 rebate checks for social security recipients in the Interview MEMB file. This error affected 1,204 records and 6 variables. No expenditure or income estimates were affected by the missing information.

An addendum file with the additional information is available for free download. The file can be found in an addendum sub-folder within the main Interview download.

The following Interview Files were affected:

   SAS (*.sas7bdat), SPSS (*.sav), STATA (*.dta), ASCII-comma-delimited (*.csv): MEMI093.*

Variables affected:

       PYMT2009, PYMT_009, HWUSED09, HWUS_D09, QSTIMPYX, and QSTI_PYX.

Each of the above variables are included with the correct values in the "2009 Stimulus" addendum file. The addendum file can be matched with the originally released 2009Q3 MEMB file with the identifiers NEWID and MEMBNO.

We apologize for any inconvenience this has caused. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us by telephone or email.

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