

2010 PUBFLAG Addendum File
Consumer Expenditure Public-Use Microdata
November 29, 2011

Due to a processing error an incorrect value for the variable PUBFLAG was assigned for all observations of the UCC “520110”. The value on the released CD indicated that this UCC was “not published”, but should have indicated that it was “Published in integrated bulletin”. This will affect users that rely on this variable to combine Interview and Diary estimates in an integrated table or use the Integrated Mean and SE.sas sample program.

No expenditure or income estimates were affected by the missing information.

The addendum file contains the correct values for the MTAB records in the original 2010 public-use microdata release (September 27, 2011).

The addendum dataset includes the following variables:

Variable name	Start Position	Format
NEWID	1	NUM(8)
UCC	9	CHAR(6)
SEQNO	15	NUM(3)
ALCNO	18	NUM(3)
PUBFLAG	21	CHAR(1)

Please refer to the Interview Data Dictionary provided on the CD or the website (<http://www.bls.gov/cex/2010/csxintvwdata.pdf>) for the definitions of these variables.

This dataset can be matched back to the originally released MTAB files file by matching on NEWID, UCC, SEQNO, and ALCNO. The new values for PUBFLAG should replace the old values for PUBFLAG. The addendum file *only* includes records that require updates. All other records in the original MTAB files file are correct.

This addendum file has been made available in the following formats: **SAS, SPSS, STATA, ASCII-comma-delimited, and ASCII column parametered file type**. Each format is under the name “PUBFLAGYYq.*” (*.sas7bdata, *.sav, *.dta, *.csv, *.txt)

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the addendum file, please contact us:

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We apologize for any inconvenience this has caused.