

Disclosure Review Board Minutes
April 10, 2006

1. Counties (size)in FEMA areas

The DRB had approved a request for areas with at least 300 sampled people. The current request asks for a relaxation. This was approved. Note that the sample based threshold is dependent on the completed questionnaire standard and in distinguishing between non-response types. The best basis here would be to have some estimate in hand of the population of the tabulation area. The population of New Orleans parish is problematic. Though no determination was made as to what the minimum number should be, it was determined that 275 sample cases should be sufficient to compensate for the additional risk posed by the before/after dimension to the tabulation. Census produced profiles on areas of population 300. The process of coordinating requests on disaster related tabs could use improvement.

2. STP303 Medicare and Medicaid (b) (6) sent 4/6)

This was approved. Note that the geography includes municipios. Each race and the Spanish speaking subgroup should have 3 unweighted persons from 3 different households in a given geographic area for the data to be shown. This is a rounded tab.

3. ACS ST054 HUD (from previous meeting and several emails afterward)

The meeting was dealing with the tract level request. As previously noted, a rule of 50 unweighted or 300 weighted will be enforced on the universes and their complements. Income and rent should not show more detail than what will be published at the tract level from the ACS, though medians can be calculated from a more detailed "shadow" table. Census 2000 income and rent detail will serve as a stand-in for the full ACS detail until it becomes available. Gross rent is allowed the additional category, making it gross rent [23]. Bedrooms shall be collapsed to 1, 2, 3+.

4. Questions on applying the P% rule to Estimates of the Capital Workweek (b) (6) request from last meeting)

An N rule rather than the p% rule can be used. There must be a minimum of N firms before the capital workweek statistic can be shown.

5. CPS ASEC Congressional request

This was approved. This request asked for detail at the state level only derived from several years of ASEC.

6. ACS ST050

This was approved (via e-mail). The data will be rounded as all ACS special tabulations.