

Disclosure Review Board Minutes  
9/24/07

1. (b) (6) ACS Vets Request

This was approved. The data will be rounded as all ACS special tabulations. There is a threshold of 3 unweighted responses for the minimum cell size. Any cells not meeting the threshold must either be suppressed (and complementary suppression applied) or collapsed with other cells until the threshold is met. (b) (6) will contact (b) (6) separately to see if standard errors might answer his concerns.

2. (b) (6) 0524

This was approved.

3. Rounding of dollar amounts on microdata files

(b) (6) and (b) (6) will email concerns about the possible effects of such a decision. (b) (6) is looking at a paper that may have relevance on how people round items when answering questions. (b) (6) was not there but emailed us his first ideas on this from previous research. (b) (6) emailed (before the meeting) that for Census 2000 and ACS, ratios and summed amounts are recalculated after rounding. Two additional questions need to be answered: What is the problem we are trying to fix? and What do other statistical agencies (in the US and around the world) do?

4. (b) (6) STP\_348 Revision

This was approved. The data will be rounded as all Census 2000 special tabulations.

5. STATEEIC

This was previously approved via email.

6. (b) (6) will check to see if the means of topcoded values in the ACS are based on 3 or more values.