

Disclosure Review Board Minutes
9/28/09

1. ACS Comparison Profiles 2006, 2007, 2008

These were approved.

2. Changes to ACS 5 year base table rules

Note that these rules do not apply (at least as of now) to SPPs. We have not yet seen the request for SPPs.

For Rule 6, line 1 will be changed to “Tables where the universe is restricted to people less than 18 years old.” For Rule 6, line 2 will be changed to “Tables where the universe is restricted to the foreign born or a subset of the foreign born.” For Rule 6, line 4 will be changed to “Tables containing characteristics of unmarried partners.” For Rule 6, line 5 will be changed to “Tables containing characteristics of households with non-relatives.” For Rule 6, line 10 will be changed to “Tables containing specific type of disability, disabled by race, or number of disabilities greater than ‘two or more’.”

There will be a new Rule 7: Tables of unweighted counts of people and housing units may only be shown for areas where there are at least 3 occupied housing units.

There was no consensus on a revision to Rule 4. Please send comments and ideas to (b) (6). The current rule is “For any tables involving a geographic area other than current place of residence (such as workplace tables, place of birth, residence 1 year ago), there must be at least 50 unweighted cases in sample in the universe of the table over the 5-year period.” The proposed revision would be something like “For any tables involving a geographic area other than current place of residence (such as workplace tables, place of birth, residence 1 year ago) along with other characteristics, there must be at least 50 unweighted cases in sample in the universe of the table over the 5-year period. Note that the simple univariate counts (not crossed with any other demographic characteristics) may be shown with no threshold.”

3. Addendum modifications

The Board members will review the revision dated 9/24/09 and send any comments to (b) (6)