

STATISTICAL METHODS

B1 Potential Respondent Universe

The study will collect data for the universe of tax credit projects. We estimate about 5,000 such projects each year. Data concerning these projects will be collected from 59 state allocating agencies.

B2 Statistical Methods

B2.1 Stratification and Sampling Plans

Not applicable

B2.2 Sampling Procedures

Not applicable

B2.3 Justification of Level of Accuracy

Not applicable

B2.4 Problems Requiring Specialized Sampling Procedures

Not applicable

B2.5 Uses of Less Frequent Data Collection Cycles

See Question A5.

B3 Response Rates

B3.1 Procedures to Maximize Response Rates and Handle Nonresponse

Reporting is the responsibility of the state agencies that allocate credits to individual properties. All of the data should be readily available (in fact, similar data are reported to the IRS, but are not accessible by the public or other federal agencies). Every effort has been made to minimize burden on states. The list of desired variables is limited. The data collection strategy is flexible and will be tailored to the individual circumstances of the states. Maximum use will be made of computerized data systems.

It is essential to the success of the effort that all allocating agencies cooperate with the study. The contractor shall encourage participation through the use of flexible data collection