

Screen Shots from the Consumer Expenditure Diary Survey



Figure 1: Login Screen

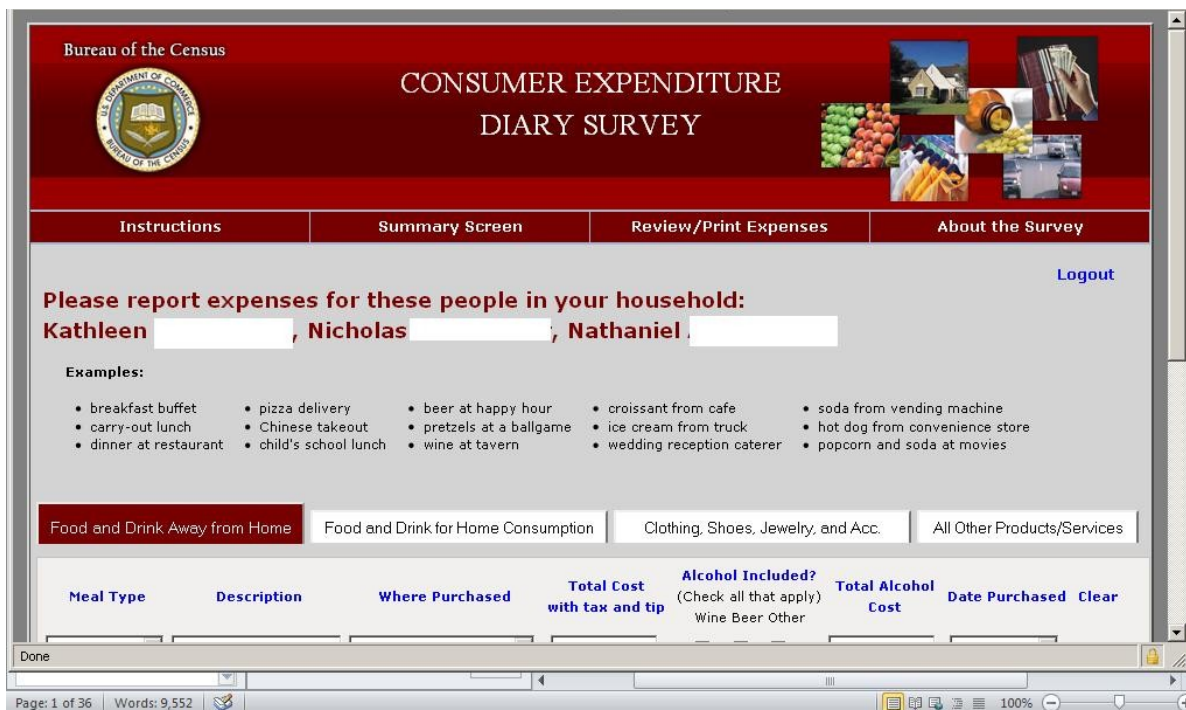


Figure 2: Food and Drink Away From Home (No Scrolling)

Food and Drink Away from Home | Food and Drink for Home Consumption | Clothing, Shoes, Jewelry, and Acc. | All Other Products/Services

Meal Type	Description	Where Purchased	Total Cost with tax and tip	Alcohol Included? (Check all that apply) Wine Beer Other	Total Alcohol Cost	Date Purchased	Clear
Lunch	food	Vending Machines or M...	\$10.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	\$5.00	03-16-2011	-
Select One		Select One		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>		Select One	-
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Figure 3: Food and Drink Away From Home (Scrolled Down)

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Logout

Please report expenses for these people in your household:
 Kathleen [redacted], Nicholas [redacted], Nathaniel [redacted]

Examples:

- eggs
- whole milk
- sugar
- cereal
- white bread
- cooking oil
- tea
- cola
- ground coffee
- beer
- liquor
- oranges
- apple juice
- tomato juice
- carbonated water
- ground beef
- tomato juice
- carbonated water
- chicken parts
- whole chicken
- baby food
- fish
- shellfish
- pet food

Food and Drink Away from Home | Food and Drink for Home Consumption | Clothing, Shoes, Jewelry, and Acc. | All Other Products/Services

What did you buy or pay for?	Is this item?	Total Cost without tax	Check here if purchased for someone not in household	Date Purchased	Clear
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Figure 4: Food and Drink for Home Consumption (No Scrolling)

What did you buy or pay for?	Is this item?	Total Cost without tax	purchased for someone not in household	Date Purchased	Clear
<input type="text"/>	Select One	<input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select One	<input type="button" value="Clear"/>
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Add Rows Save and Submit Date of purchase

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Figure 5: Food and Drink for Home Consumption (Scrolled Down)

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Please report expenses for these people in your household: Kathleen [text], Nicholas [text], Nathaniel [text] Logout

Examples:

- shirt, suit, sandals, soccer cleats, gloves, watch, pajamas, coat
- sweater, dress, sneakers, team uniform, slippers, necklace, lingerie, jacket
- shorts, pants, shoe repairs, ski boots, dance costume, belt, socks, windbreaker

Food and Drink Away from Home Food and Drink for Home Consumption Clothing, Shoes, Jewelry, and Acc. All Other Products/Services

What did you buy or pay for?	Total Cost without tax	Was the item for...	Age	Check here if purchased for someone not in household	Date Purchased	Clear
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="button" value="Clear"/>

Figure 6: Clothing, Shoes, Jewelry, and Accessories (No Scrolling)

What did you buy or pay for?	Total Cost without tax	Was the item for...	Age	purchased for someone not in household	Date Purchased	Clear
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	Select One	Select One	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select One	<input type="button" value="Clear"/>
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Figure 7: Clothing, Shoes, Jewelry, and Accessories (Scrolled Down)

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Please report expenses for these people in your household:
Kathleen , **Nicholas** , **Nathaniel**

Examples:

- cigarettes
- gasoline
- utility gas bill
- prescription drugs
- cordless telephone
- dry clean (curtains)
- movie tickets
- DVD rental
- bus fare
- phone bill
- car insurance
- brake work
- hand soap
- dish soap
- power tools
- paper towels
- bath towels
- rent
- textbooks
- cook book
- airline fares
- computer cables
- cable TV bill
- color television

What did you buy or pay for?	Total Cost without tax	Check here if purchased for someone not in household	Date Purchased	Clear
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<https://respond.census.gov/ced/about>

Figure 8: All Other Products/Services (No Scrolling)

What did you buy or pay for?	Total Cost without tax	purchased for someone not in household	Date Purchased	Clear
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select One	<input type="button" value="Clear"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Select One	<input type="button" value="Clear"/>
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Figure 9: All Other Products/Services (Scrolled Down)

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General Instructions

Complete this diary for an entire two-week period, enter EVERYTHING you and the people on your list spend money on each day - the products you buy, the services you use, the household expenses you have during the week - no matter how large or small they are. We recommend that you record your expenses each day. Think about where you went and what you've done.

Talk to the people on your list everyday to find out how they spent their money.

Include payments by:

Figure 10: Instructions Tab (No Scrolling)¹

¹ Clicking the link opens a new page in the browser.

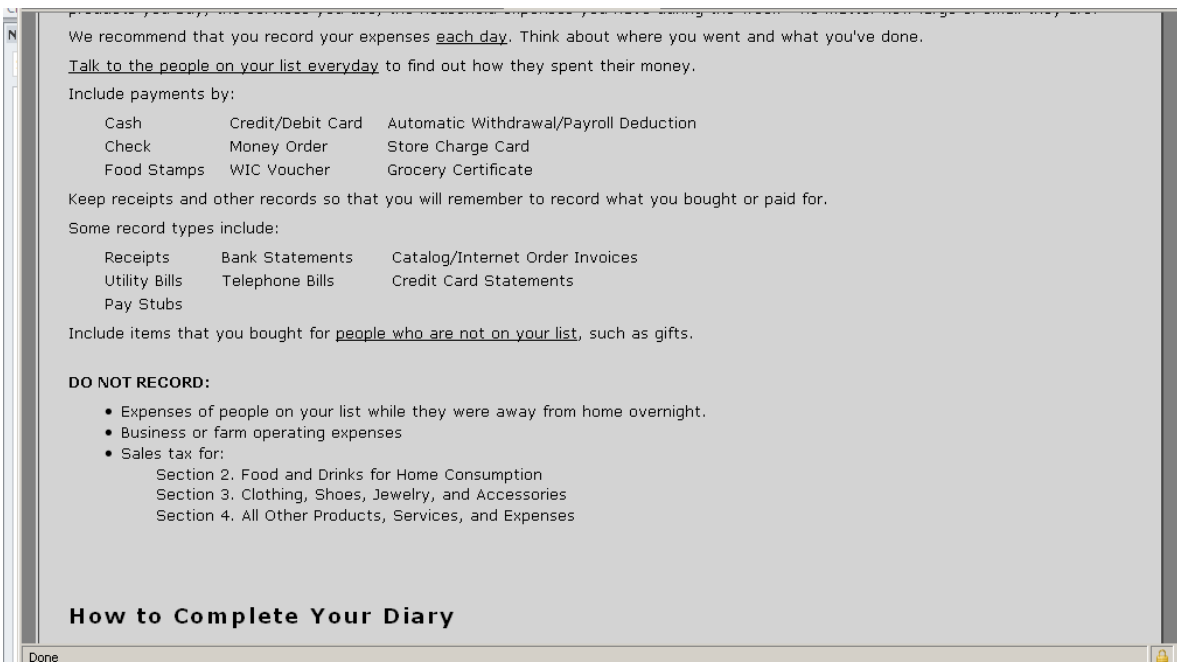


Figure 11: Instructions Tab (Scroll Down 1)

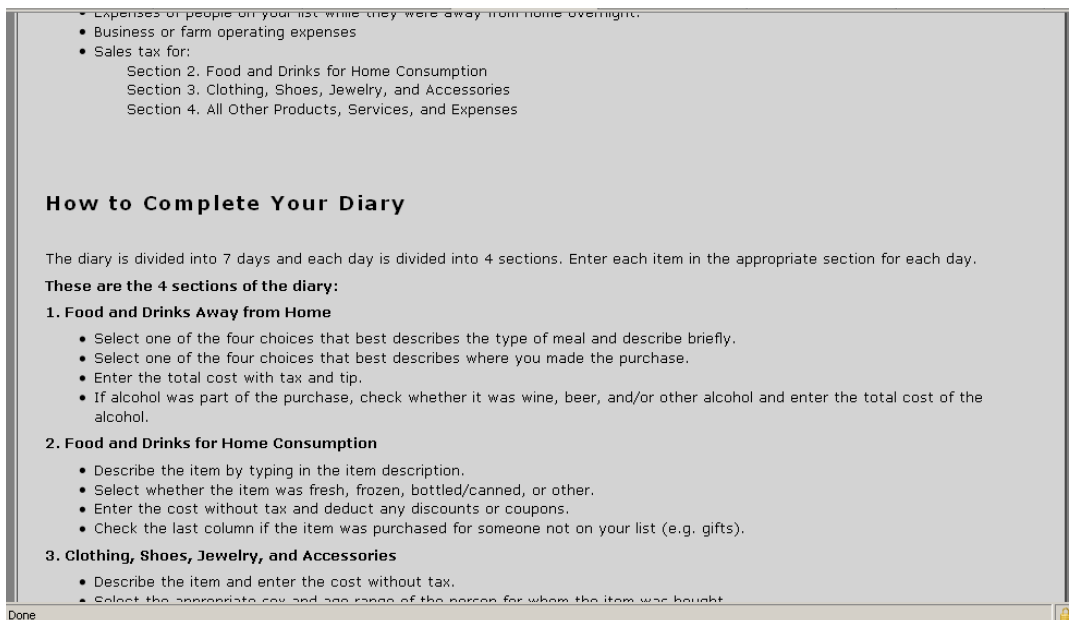


Figure 12: Instructions Tab (Scroll Down 2)

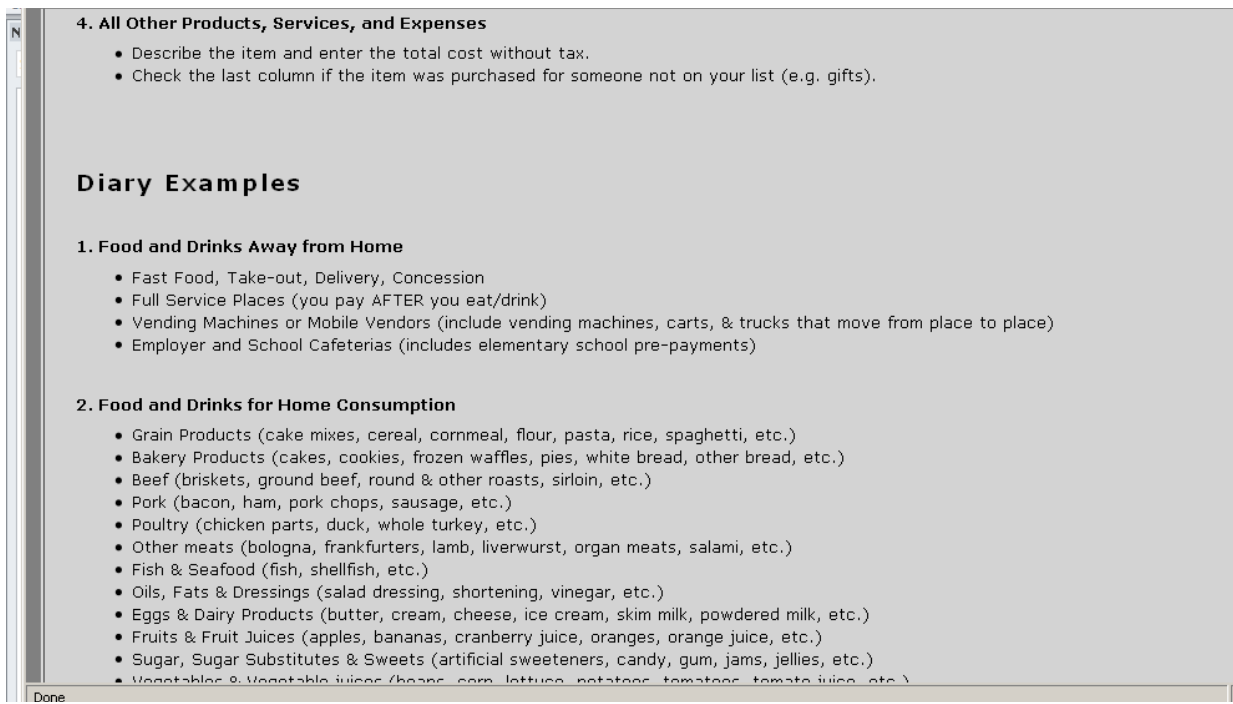


Figure 13: Instructions Tab (Scroll Down 3)



Figure 14: Instructions Tab (Scroll Down 4)

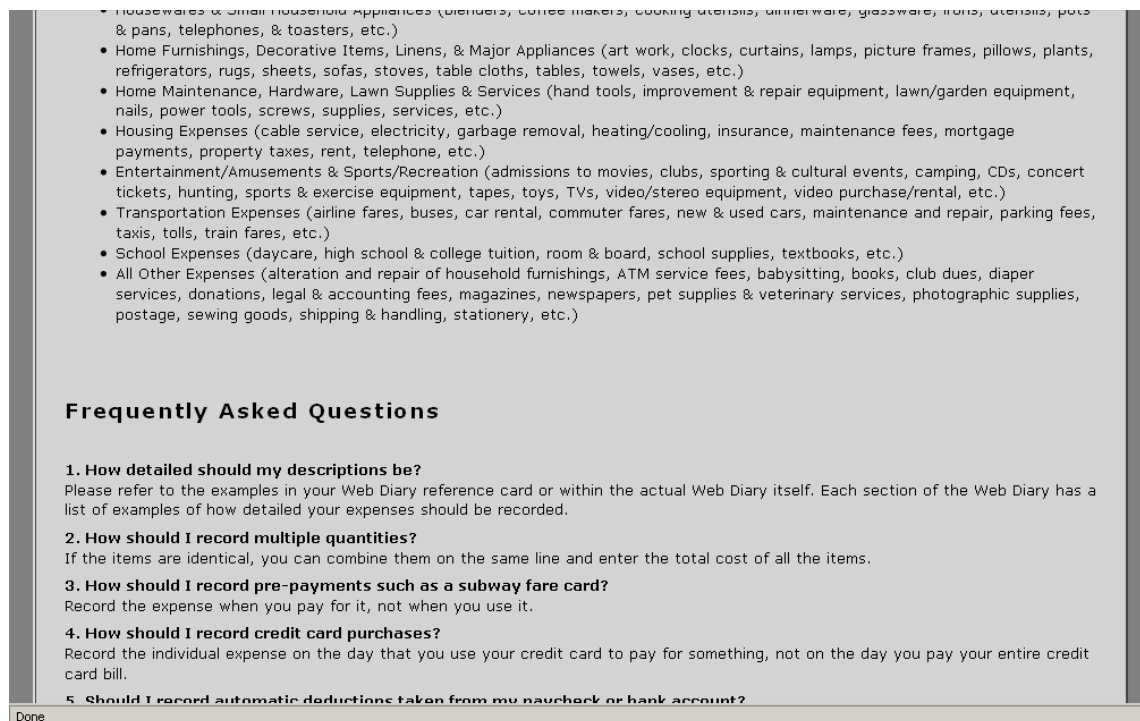


Figure 15: Instructions Tab (Scroll Down 5)

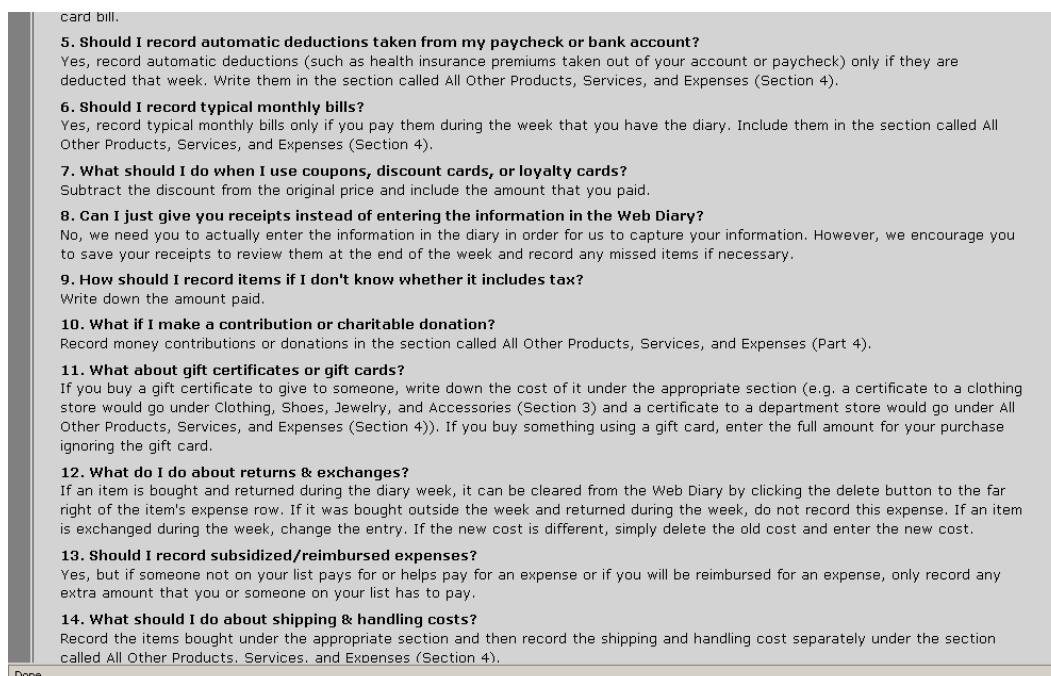


Figure 16: Instructions Tab (Scroll Down 6)

14. What should I do about shipping & handling costs?

Record the items bought under the appropriate section and then record the shipping and handling cost separately under the section called All Other Products, Services, and Expenses (Section 4).

15. What's the difference between a concession stand and a mobile vendor?

A concession stand has to stay in a permanent location and a mobile vendor does not. Some mobile vendors may seem permanent because they are usually in the same location, but they are still considered mobile vendors because they have the option to change locations.

Definitions

Meal Type (Food and Drink Away from Home) - use the dropdown box to select the meal for which the Food and Drink Away from Home that was purchased by someone in your household. For example: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, or Snack/Other.

Description (Food and Drink Away from Home) - type in a brief description of the Food and Drink Away from Home that was purchased by someone in your household. Suggested descriptions will appear as you type in the field. Press ENTER to select the closest match, or simply keep typing to provide a more unique or detailed description if the suggested description is not an adequate match. For ease of use, we recommend selecting the suggested descriptions when possible.

Where Purchased (Food and Drink Away from Home) - use the dropdown box to select location where the Food and Drink Away from Home was purchased by someone in your household. For example: Fast Food, Take out, Concession; Full Service Place; Vending Machines or Mobile Vendors; or Employer or School Cafeteria.

Total Cost with tax and tip (Food and Drink Away from Home) - for purchases of Food and Drink Away from Home, enter the total cost of the purchase, including any taxes and tips.

Alcohol Included? (Food and Drink Away from Home) - if alcohol was purchased in addition to the meal, click on the appropriate check box to select which alcohol was included. If more than one type alcohol beverage was included (e.g. beer, wine, or other) you may select multiple categories.

Total Alcohol Cost (Food and Drink Away from Home) - enter the total cost of all alcohol purchases for the meal. Note that this cost should be separate from the "Total Cost with tax and tip".

What did you buy or pay for? (Food and Drink for Home Consumption) - type in a brief description of the Food and Drink for Home Consumption that was purchased by someone in your household. Suggested descriptions will appear as you type in the field. Press ENTER to select the closest match, or simply keep typing to provide a more unique or detailed description if the suggested description is

Figure 17: Instructions Tab (Scroll Down 7)

14. What should I do about shipping & handling costs?

Record the items bought under the appropriate section and then record the shipping and handling cost separately under the section called All Other Products, Services, and Expenses (Section 4).

15. What's the difference between a concession stand and a mobile vendor?

A concession stand has to stay in a permanent location and a mobile vendor does not. Some mobile vendors may seem permanent because they are usually in the same location, but they are still considered mobile vendors because they have the option to change locations.

Definitions

Meal Type (Food and Drink Away from Home) - use the dropdown box to select the meal for which the Food and Drink Away from Home that was purchased by someone in your household. For example: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, or Snack/Other.

Description (Food and Drink Away from Home) - type in a brief description of the Food and Drink Away from Home that was purchased by someone in your household. Suggested descriptions will appear as you type in the field. Press ENTER to select the closest match, or simply keep typing to provide a more unique or detailed description if the suggested description is not an adequate match. For ease of use, we recommend selecting the suggested descriptions when possible.

Where Purchased (Food and Drink Away from Home) - use the dropdown box to select location where the Food and Drink Away from Home was purchased by someone in your household. For example: Fast Food, Take out, Concession; Full Service Place; Vending Machines or Mobile Vendors; or Employer or School Cafeteria.

Total Cost with tax and tip (Food and Drink Away from Home) - for purchases of Food and Drink Away from Home, enter the total cost of the purchase, including any taxes and tips.

Alcohol Included? (Food and Drink Away from Home) - if alcohol was purchased in addition to the meal, click on the appropriate check box to select which alcohol was included. If more than one type alcohol beverage was included (e.g. beer, wine, or other) you may select multiple categories.

Total Alcohol Cost (Food and Drink Away from Home) - enter the total cost of all alcohol purchases for the meal. Note that this cost should be separate from the "Total Cost with tax and tip".

What did you buy or pay for? (Food and Drink for Home Consumption) - type in a brief description of the Food and Drink for Home Consumption that was purchased by someone in your household. Suggested descriptions will appear as you type in the field. Press ENTER to select the closest match, or simply keep typing to provide a more unique or detailed description if the suggested description is

Done

Figure 18: Instructions Tab (Scroll Down 8)

What did you buy or pay for? (All Other Products/Services) - type in a brief description of the product or service that was purchased by someone in your household. Suggested descriptions will appear as you type in the field. Press ENTER to select the closest match, or simply keep typing to provide a more unique or detailed description if the suggested description is not an adequate match. For ease of use, we recommend selecting the suggested descriptions when possible.

Total Cost without tax (All Other Products/Services) - for purchases of other products and services, enter the total cost of the purchase without tax.

Check here is purchased for someone not in household (All Other Products/Services) - click on this field if the product or service was purchased for someone not in your household.


Date Purchased (All Other Products/Services) - use the dropdown box to select the date on which the meal or item was purchased. The dates available reflect the data collection period for your household's Diary.

Clear - click on this icon to delete or clear all entries for the row. You can re-use the row to enter additional expenses if necessary.


Done

Figure 19: Instructions Tab (Scroll Down 9)

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CE Web Diary - Reported Expenses by Purchase Category

Food & Drink Away from Home	Food & Drink for Home Consumption	Clothing, Shoes, Jewelry, and Acc.	All Other Products/Services
\$15	\$0	\$0	\$0

CE Web Diary - Reported Expenses by Purchase Category



Done

Figure 20: Summary Screen (No Scrolling)

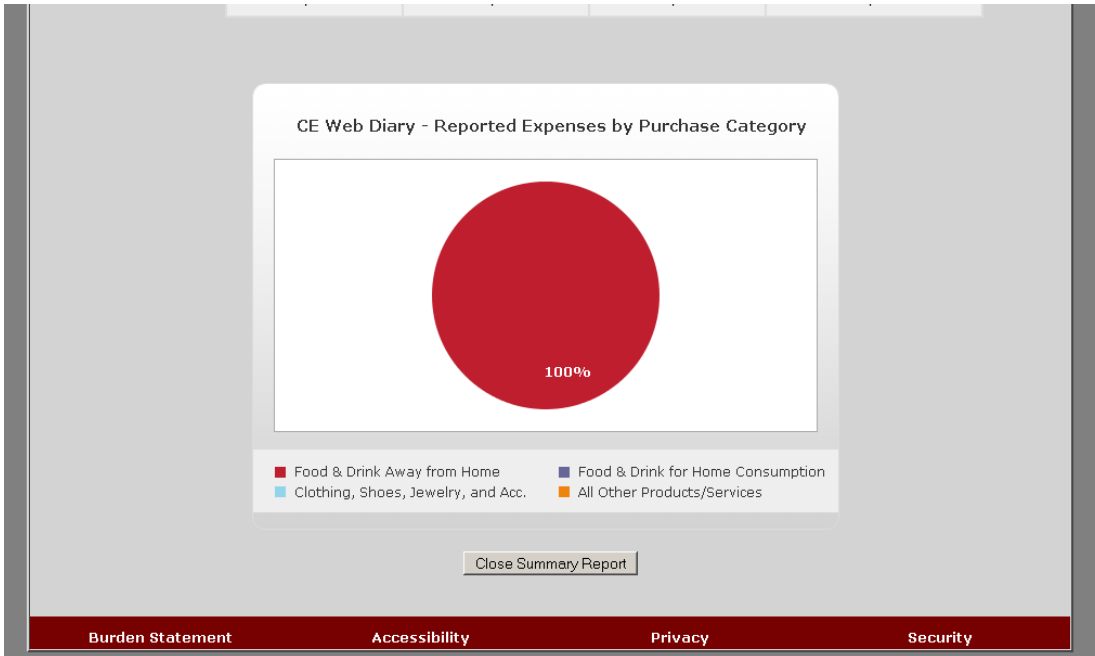


Figure 21: Summary Screen (Scrolled Down)

Food and Drinks Away From Home							
Meal Type	Description	Restaurant Type	Total Cost with tax & tip	Wine	Beer	Other	Total Cost of Alcohol
				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Lunch	food	Vending Machines or Mobile	\$10.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$5.00
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Figure 22: Review/Print Expenses: Food and Drinks Away from Home²

²A PDF with one page for each of the 4 categories is generated with this tab is clicked.

Clothes, Shoes, Jewelry, and Accessories				
Items you bought or paid for	Total Cost without tax	For Male/ Female	For Age(s)	Purchased for someone not on your list

Figure 24: Review/Print Expenses: Clothing, Shoes, Jewelry, and Acc.



Figure 25: About the Survey Tab³

³ This is scrolled down a little because only the header, which is the same throughout the survey, is cut off. Clicking this tab opens a new page in the browser.

All Other Products, Services, and Expenses		
Items you bought or paid for	Total Cost without tax	Purchased for someone not on your list

Figure 26: Review/Print Expenses: All Other Products/Services