

Attachment C: Self-administered Web Survey

Design Notes:

- Pilot test will be used to test timing, sections may be reduced if current plan takes more than 20 minutes
- Order of sections will not be randomized, following current CEQ order

Screening Questions (to appear on TryMyUI screening screen to determine participant eligibility)

1. How many people current live in your household? ____
2. In the past year, have you purchased a major appliance (such as a refrigerator, stove or washing machine)? Yes No
3. In the past year have you purchased any furniture (such as a couch or table?) Yes No
4. In the past year have you purchased a vehicle? Yes No
5. In the past three months have you purchased or renewed any newspaper or magazine subscriptions? Yes No
6. In the past three months have you purchased any books? Yes No

Welcome!

Unlike some other TryMyUI studies, you will not be using a website to complete a task for this study. Instead you'll be answering survey questions.

You'll only be asked to talk aloud as you complete some of the sections, but feel free to do so at any point. The instructions will tell you when you need to talk aloud.

This voluntary study is being collected under OMB No. 1220-0141 and it is estimated it will take you no longer than 20 minutes to complete.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics is exploring ways to better measure how Americans spend their money. We will be asking you about recent purchases. Please read instructions for each question carefully, explaining your answer when instructed to.

Note: This survey is being administered by surveymonkey.com and resides on a server outside of the BLS Domain. The BLS cannot guarantee the protection of survey responses and advises against the inclusion of sensitive personal information in any response.”

1. Recall Period CEQ Questions

- Current CEQ questions will be asked for all noted expenditures/sections
- The reference period group (A, B or C) will be randomly assigned to each participant

<u>Section</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>Reference Period A</u>	<u>Reference Period B</u>	<u>Reference Period C</u>
6A: Major Appliances	Microwave, stove, range hood, fridge, dishwashers, garbage disposal, clothes washer, clothes dryer	12 months	6 months	3 months
8A: Home furnishings	Furniture (not decorative items, closet storage items, travel items or dishes)	12 months	6 months	3 months
S11 Owned vehicles	Purchased or acquired vehicles only	12 months	6 months	3 months
S17A. Subscriptions or memberships	All	6 months	1 month	3 months
S17B. Books and entertainment	All	2 months	1 month	3 months

2. Follow Up Questions

Now please provide some feedback about the questions you just answered. You'll go through the categories one at a time and provide your feedback.

6A. Major Appliances

1. How many appliances from this list have you bought in the last [assigned reference period]? *List from info book page will be shown on page*
 - a. Please list all the appliances you bought in the last [assigned reference period] and how much each cost

- b. Please rate how confident you are that the price is accurate (very, somewhat, not very, not at all)

Appliance Name	Price	Confidence that price is accurate
		<i>(try to have likert scale)</i>

2. How confident are you that you listed every appliance you bought in the last [assigned reference period]?
1. Very confident
 2. Somewhat confident
 3. Not very confident
 4. Not at all confident
3. We are trying to determine how far in the past people can remember details about a major appliance purchase such as the brand name, price, and the date of purchase. Think about the appliance you purchased the longest ago that you think you can remember accurately. List the:
1. Appliance name:
 2. Appliance cost:
 3. Month of purchase:
- b. How confident are the cost and month of that appliance purchase is accurate?
1. Very confident
 2. Somewhat confident
 3. Not very confident
 4. Not at all confident

8A. Home furnishings

1. How many pieces of furniture from this list have you bought in the last [assigned reference period]? *List from info book*
- a. Please list all the furniture you bought in the last [assigned reference period]and how much each cost

- b. Please rate how confident you are that the price is accurate (very, somewhat, not very, not at all)

Furniture Description	Price	Confidence that price is accurate
		<i>(try to have likert scale)</i>

- c. How confident are you that you listed all the furniture you bought in the last[assigned reference period]?

1. Very confident
2. Somewhat confident
3. Not very confident
4. Not at all confident

2. We are trying to determine how far in the past people can remember details about a furniture purchase such as the brand name, price, and the date of purchase. Think about the furniture you purchased the longest ago that you think you can remember accurately. List the:

1. Furniture type:
2. Furniture cost:
3. Month of purchase:

- b. How confident are the month of that furniture purchase is accurate?

1. Very confident
2. Somewhat confident
3. Not very confident
4. Not at all confident

- c. How confident are the cost of that furniture purchase is accurate?

1. Very confident
2. Somewhat confident
3. Not very confident
4. Not at all confident

S11. Owned Vehicles

1. How many vehicles from this list have you bought in the last [assigned reference period]? *List from info book*

- a. Please list all the vehicles you bought in the last [assigned reference period] and how much each cost
- b. Please rate how confident you are that the price is accurate (very, somewhat, not very, not at all)

Vehicle Description	Price	Confidence that price is accurate
		<i>(try to have likert scale)</i>

- c. How confident are you that you listed all the vehicles you bought in the last [assigned reference period]?
 - 1. Very confident
 - 2. Somewhat confident
 - 3. Not very confident
 - 4. Not at all confident

2. We are trying to determine how far in the past people can remember details about a vehicle purchase such as the brand name, price, and the date of purchase. Think about the vehicle you purchased the longest ago that you think you can remember accurately. List the:

- 1. Vehicle description:
- 2. Vehicle cost:
- 3. Month of purchase:
- b. How confident are the month of that vehicle purchase is accurate?
 - 1. Very confident
 - 2. Somewhat confident
 - 3. Not very confident
 - 4. Not at all confident
- c. How confident are the cost of that vehicle purchase is accurate?

1. Very confident
2. Somewhat confident
3. Not very confident
4. Not at all confident

S17A. Subscriptions or memberships

1. How many subscription or memberships from this list have you purchased or renewed in the last [assigned reference period]? *List from info book*
 - a. Please list all the subscriptions or memberships you purchased or renewed in the last [assigned reference period] and how much each cost
 - b. Please rate how confident you are that the price is accurate (very, somewhat, not very, not at all)

Subscription or Membership Description	Price	Confidence that price is accurate
		<i>(try to have likert scale)</i>

- c. How confident are you that you listed all the subscription or memberships you purchased or renewed in the last [assigned reference period]?
 1. Very confident
 2. Somewhat confident
 3. Not very confident
 4. Not at all confident
2. We are trying to determine how far in the past people can remember details about a subscription and membership purchases such as the brand name, price, and the date of purchase. Think about the oldest subscription or membership expense that you think you can remember accurately. List the:
 1. Subscription or membership description:
 2. Subscription or memberships cost:
 3. Month of purchase:
 - b. How confident are the month of that subscription or membership purchase is accurate?

1. Very confident
 2. Somewhat confident
 3. Not very confident
 4. Not at all confident
- c. How confident are the month of that subscription or membership purchase is accurate?
1. Very confident
 2. Somewhat confident
 3. Not very confident
 4. Not at all confident

S17B. Books and entertainment

1. How many books or entertainment items from this list have you bought in the last [assigned reference period]? *List from info book*
 - a. Please list all the books or entertainment items you bought in the last [assigned reference period] and how much each cost
 - b. Please rate how confident you are that the price is accurate (very, somewhat, not very, not at all)

Book or Entertainment Item Description	Price	Confidence that price is accurate
		<i>(try to have likert scale)</i>

- c. How confident are you that you listed all the book or entertainment item you bought in the last [assigned reference period]?
 1. Very confident
 2. Somewhat confident
 3. Not very confident
 4. Not at all confident
 - 5.
2. We are trying to determine how far in the past people can remember details about a book and entertainment purchases such as the brand name, price, and the date of

purchase. Think about the oldest book or entertainment expense that you think you can remember accurately. List the:

1. Vehicle description:
 2. Vehicle cost:
 3. Month of purchase:
- b. How confident are the month of that book or entertainment purchase is accurate?
1. Very confident
 2. Somewhat confident
 3. Not very confident
 4. Not at all confident
- c. How confident are the cost of that book or entertainment purchase is accurate?
1. Very confident
 2. Somewhat confident
 3. Not very confident
 4. Not at all confident

3. Overall debriefing

1. Here’s a table showing the types of expenditures we just talked about. Please enter the time frame (for example: one week, one month, one year, five years, etc.) hat you think you would be able to accurately remember the details (type of item, cost, and month)_about purchasing that item.

<u>Expense Type</u>	<u>How long you think you can accurately remember</u>
6A: Major Appliances	
8A: Home furnishings	
S11 Owned vehicles	
S17A. Subscriptions or memberships	
S17B. Books and entertainment	

1. Here’s a table showing the time frame we used when we asked you about each type of purchase. What do you think about those time periods?
 - a. Do you think that we could make any of them longer and you’d still be able to answer the questions?

b. Do you think any of them should be made shorter to help you remember the purchases?

<u>Expense Type</u>	<u>How long you think you can accurately remember</u>
6A: Major Appliances	<i>Assigned reference period</i>
8A: Home furnishings	<i>Assigned reference period</i>
S11 Owned vehicles	<i>Assigned reference period</i>
S17A. Subscriptions or memberships	<i>Assigned reference period</i>
S17B. Books and entertainment	<i>Assigned reference period</i>