

# Why do we ask all these questions?

Consumer Expenditure Survey  
U.S. Census Bureau  
<<Insert Regional Office Name>>  
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**The Consumer Expenditure Survey collects information on spending for housing, groceries, health care, transportation, and more. It is used to help compute the Consumer Price Index, a key measure of the economy.**

THE CONSUMER EXPENDITURE SURVEY gathers facts and figures used to study spending trends and measure inflation. The data are used in studies of family expenditures.

**Your cooperation makes a difference.**

Please answer the Census Bureau field representative's questions.

Under U.S. Code, Title 13, all data collected in this survey are protected by law and cannot be shared with any other government agency, organization, or individual.

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