

Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: Nutritional Quality of Foods Purchased and Acquired by Americans: Findings from USDA's FoodAPS

Type of Report (ERR, EIB, EB, TB, SOR,) EIB

Agency: Economic Research Service [X] Influential Scientific Information
USDA [] Highly Influential Scientific Assessment

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Subject of Review: The report uses data from the USDA's National Household and Food Acquisition and Purchase Survey to present descriptive information on the nutritional quality of foods purchased and acquired by a nationally representative sample of Americans. The study compares the nutritional quality of foods purchased and acquired by households that participate in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Programs (SNAP) to that of other low-income households that do not participate in SNAP and higher-income households, and it also compares nutritional quality of foods purchased and acquired by households with low access to healthy food retailers to those with better access, for the population as a whole and for the subgroups previously described. In a similar manner, the study compares nutritional quality of foods obtained from supermarket and other grocery retailers to foods prepared away from home at restaurants, fast-food establishments, schools, and other sources for the population and for defined subgroups. The results show that lower nutritional quality of household food acquisitions was associated with SNAP participation status and more limited household access to food purchasing options. More reliance on food prepared away from home was also associated with lower nutritional quality, especially for higher-income households.

Purpose of Review:

Type of Review: [] Panel Review [X] Individual Reviewers

[] Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: 03/07/17 End: 09/07/17 Completed: 09/07/17

Number of Reviewers: [] 3 or fewer [x] 4 to 10 [] More than 10

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Economists

Reviewers selected by: [X] Agency [] Designated Outside Organization

Organization's Name:

Opportunities for Public Comment? [] Yes [X] No

If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:

How:

When:

