Peer Review Plan


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

Agency: Economic Research Service

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Subject of Review: Using USDA’s National Household Food Acquisition and Purchase Survey (FoodAPS) data, the authors construct an index (NIU) to summarize consumers’ use of nutrition information. They use this index to explore whether there is a correlation between consumers’ NIU and their acquisition of more-healthful food and examine how this correlation compares for food at home (FAH) and food away from home (FAFH).

Purpose of Review: The purpose of the review is to ensure the high-quality of the economic analysis, transparent explanation of methods, objective interpretation of results, and effective communication to the intended audience.

Type of Review: [X] Individual Reviewers


Number of Reviewers: [x] 4 to 10

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Economists

Reviewers selected by: [X] Agency

Opportunities for Public Comment?: [X] No

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

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments?: [X] No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel?: [X] No