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METHODOLOGY SECTION PROGRAM

Topic: Sample Selection and Estimation when Extensive Prior Information

is Available

Speaker: Joseph Sedransk, Federal Reserve Board

Discussant: Earl Bryant, National Center for Health Statistics

The objective is to select a single sample of units which will provide timely and accurate weekly estimates of several variables of interest. For each unit in the population the value of the variable for the current week is correlated with the corresponding value for an earlier week. Data are available for each unit in the population for the past five years. Estimators which are based upon assumed prior distributions have been developed. Using Monte Carlo simulations of fixed, known, finite populations, various sample designs and estimators are compared.

When and Where: Wednesday, February 6, 1:00 p.m., George Boutwell Auditorium, IRS Building, 7th Floor, 1111 Constitution Avenue, N.W.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND BIOSTATISTICS PROGRAM

Topic: An Overview of the Third National Cancer Survey

Speaker: Dr. Sidney Cutler, National Institutes of Health

Chairman: Tavia Gordon, National Heart and Lung Institute, NIH

Dr. Cutler will discuss geographical and racial variations in the occurrence of various forms of cancer and the changes over time.

When and Where: Friday, February 15, 11:00 a.m., NIH, Building 31,

Conference Room 5, Bethesda, Maryland.

ECONOMICS PROGRAM

Topic: Bureau of Labor Statistics Economic and Manpower Projections

to 1985

Speakers: Denis Johnston, Office of Current Employment Analysis, BLS

Ronald Kutscher, Division of Economic Growth, BLS

Neal Ros athal, Division of Manpower and Occupational Outlook, BLS

Chairman: Jack Alterman, Office of Economic Trends and Labor Conditions, BLS

The speakers will discuss various aspects of the recently published (Monthly Labor Review, December 1973 issue) BLS projection to 1985, including revisions of the previously published projections to 1980. Johnston will discuss labor force projections; Kutcher, the GNP, demand, industry output and employment; and Rosenthal, occupational projections.

When and Where: Tuesday, February 26, 2:00 p.m., General Accounting

Office Auditorium, GAO Building, 7th Floor,

441 G Street, N.W.