Improved Measurement of the Services Sector by the U.S. Census Bureau – An Update for 2004

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Existing Data Gaps

- Services dominate the economy, but measures are inadequate; measures that do exist are available only annually
- There is a current imbalance between manufacturing and services product data
- Critical source data are needed to improve GDP and National Accounts
- Improved services measures are essential to improving key economic measures of growth, prices, productivity, and trade in services

Strategy for Addressing Service Data Gaps

- Multi-agency group developed a detailed plan
- Multi-phase, multi-component plan

Phase 1 – FY 2003 funding request (received)

Phase 2 – FY 2005 funding request (now before Congress)

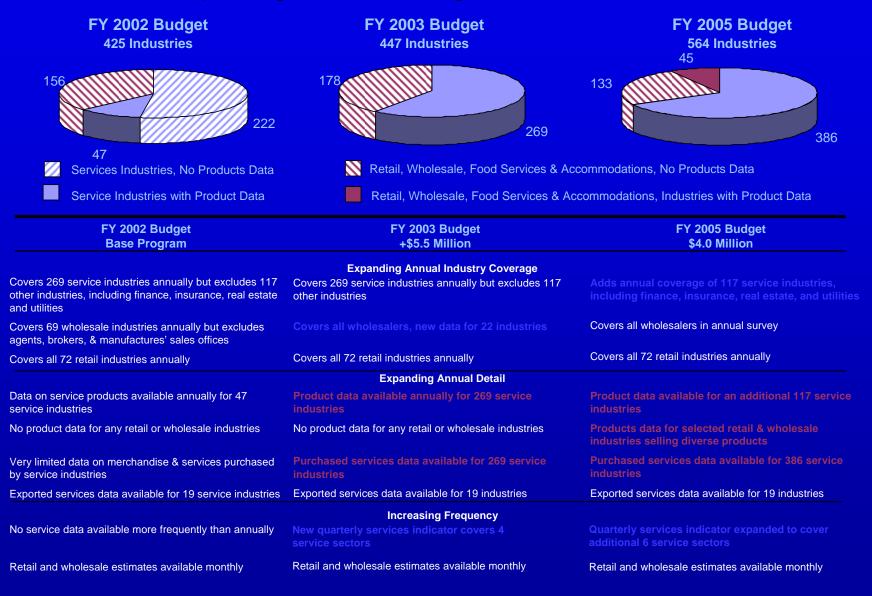
FY 2003 Improved Measurement of Services (Phase 1)

- FY03 Budget funding: \$5.5 million
 - This received funding:
 - Establishes a new quarterly principal economic indicator of service industry activity
 - Provides product data annually on the outputs of service industries
 - Provides annual information on the cost of purchased services and materials

FY 2005 Improved Measurement of Services (Phase 2)

- FY04 Budget request: \$4.0 million
 - This request (if approved) will:
 - <u>Expand</u> industry and product coverage in the Service Annual Survey (SAS), adding 117 industries to the existing 250 industries over a two-year period
 - <u>Expand</u> industry coverage of the new quarterly principal economic indicator of service activity
 - Provide new annual data on retail and wholesale industry products for 40 to 50 high volume industries that sell diverse and dynamic products

Service Statistics Expanding Annual Coverage and Product Detail



Quarterly Services Survey (Phase 1)

Implementation Activities, Using Funding Provided for FY 2003

2004:

NAICS 51 Information

54 Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services

56 Administrative and Waste Management and Remediation Services

2005:

NAICS 622 Hospitals and Nursing and Residential Care and 623 Facilities

Quarterly Services Survey (Phase 2)

Plans Pending FY 2005 Budget Approval

2006:

NAICS	484, 492, and 493	Truck Transportation, Couriers and Messengers, and Warehousing
	5231, 5239	Securities and Commodity Contract Intermediation and Brokerage and Other Financial Investment Activities
	532	Rental and Leasing
	62, ex. 622, 623	Remainder of Health Care and Social Assistance
	71	Arts, Entertainment and Recreation Services
	81	Other Services

Quarterly Services Survey (Phase 2)

(continued)

Plans Pending FY 2005 Budget Approval

2007:

NAICS 22 Utilities

48 and 49, Remainder of Transportation

ex. 484,

492, and

493

52, ex. Remainder of Finance and Insurance

5231, 5239

531 Real Estate

Lessors of Nonfinancial Intangible Assets

61 Educational Services

Service Annual Survey - North American Product Classification System (NAPCS) Product Data (Phase 1)

Implementation Activities, Using Funding Provided for FY 2003

2004 SAS:

NAICS 54 Selected Professional, Scientific, and Technical

Services

56 Selected Administrative and Waste Management

and Remediation Services

Service Annual Survey - North American Product Classification System (NAPCS) Product Data (Phase 1) (continued)

Implementation Activities, Using Funding Provided for FY 2003

2005 SAS:

484, 492, and 493	Truck Transportation, Couriers and Messengers, and Warehousing
622 and 623	Hospitals and Nursing and Residential Care Facilities
71	Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation Services
81	Selected Other Services
54	Balance of Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services
56	Balance of Administrative and Waste Management and Remediation Services

Service Annual Survey - North American Product Classification System (NAPCS) Product Data (Phase 1) (continued)

Implementation Activities, Using Funding Provided for FY 2003

2006 SAS:

NAICS 5231, 5239 Securities and Commodity Contract

Intermediation and Brokerage and Other

Financial Investment Activities

Rental and Leasing

62, ex. Balance of Health Care and Social

622, 623 Assistance

81 Selected Other Services

Service Annual Survey - North American Product Classification System (NAPCS) Product Data (Phase 1) (continued)

Implementation Activities, Using Funding Provided for FY 2003

2007 SAS:

NAICS 51 Balance of Information Services

81 Balance of Other Services

Service Annual Survey – North American Product Classification System (NAPCS) Product Data (Phase 2)

Plans Pending FY 2005 Budget Approval 2006 SAS:

NAICS 48 and 49, ex. 484, Remainder of Transportation

492, and 493

52, ex. 5231, 5239 Remainder of Finance and Insurance

2007 SAS:

NAICS 22 Utilities

52593 Real Estate Investment Trusts

531 Real Estate

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Service Annual Survey – Value Added (Phase 1)

Implementation Activities, Using Funding Provided for FY 2003

2003 SAS:

NAICS 51	Information
54	Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services
56	Administrative and Waste Management and Remediation Services
622 and 623	Hospitals and Nursing and Residential Care Facilities
5231, 5239	Securities and Commodity Contract Intermediation and Brokerage and Other Financial Investment Activities

Service Annual Survey – Value Added (Phase 1) (continued)

Implementation Activities, Using Funding Provided for FY 2003

2004 SAS:

NAICS 484, 492, Truck Transportation, Couriers and and 493 Messengers, and Warehousing

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62, ex. Remainder of Health Care and Social Assistance

71 Arts, Entertainment and Recreation Services

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Service Annual Survey – Value Added (Phase 2)

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Service Annual Survey – Industry Expansion (Phase 2)

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2005 SAS: 117 Industries will be added in the following

sectors:

NAICS 22 Utilities

48 and 49, Remainder of Transportation

ex. 484,

492, and

493

52, ex. Remainder of Finance and Insurance

<u>5</u>231, 5239

531 Real Estate

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Fallback Plans

(If We Don't Receive FY 2005 Budget Approval to Expand Industry Coverage and Data Detail for the SAS or the QSS)

Hierarchy of Priorities:

Survey

- 1. SAS
- 2. QSS

Fallback Plans (continued)

Hierarchy of Priorities:

Industry Coverage

SAS:

- 1. NAICS 52 Finance and Insurance
- 2. 48-49 Transportation
- 3. 61 Education
- 4. 22 Utilities
- 5. 53 Real Estate

Fallback Plans (continued)

Hierarchy of Priorities:

Industry Coverage

<u>QSS</u>:

- 1. NAICS 71 Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation
- 2. 81 Other Services
- 3. Balance of industries to mirror 2003 SAS coverage (250 industries)

Fallback Plans (continued)

Hierarchy of Priorities:

Data Detail

SAS:

- 1. Total revenue
- 2. Detailed expenses
- 3. NAPCS products

QSS:

 Total revenue (expenses for hospitals and nursing and residential care facilities)

Our Experience, to Date, in Introducing the QSS

1. Sampling Information – Sample Size

NAICS Sector	No. of Reporting Units
51 Information	1,458
54 Professional, Scientific, and	
Technical Services	2,357
56 Administrative and Support and	
Waste Management and	
Remediation Services (except	
Landscaping Services)	1,158
Total	4,973
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2. Response Information

First Quarter

- 1. 76% (unit response)
- 2. 81% (dollar response)

Second Quarter

- 1. 71% (unit response)
- 2. 80% (dollar response)

2. Response Information (continued)

Response modes and rates (as a % of total unit response)

	2 nd Quarter	1st Quarter
Mail	43.09	49.11
Internet	27.27	22.68
Fax	22.16	18.80
Telephone	7.48	9.41

3. Seasonal Adjustment

These data will not be seasonally adjusted until we have at least 16 quarters of data

4. Benchmarking

We will benchmark yearly to the Service Annual Survey and every five years to the Economic Census

5. First Data Release

The first quarterly report is available at http://www.census.gov/qss.html

The Bureau of Economic Anaylsis' statement about the QSS is available at:

http://www.census.gov/Press-
Release/www/releases/archives/BEA_on_qss
.pdf

Our Experience, to Date, in Adding NAPCS Product Data and Expenses and Purchased Service Categories to the SAS (A Summary)

- Conducted 52 company visits to obtain feedback regarding new expense items
 - Same companies also respond to Census Bureau's Business Expense Survey (BES)
 - Companies concerned about duplication and additional burden
- To reduce respondent burden and be efficient in data collection, the SAS, instead of the BES, will be the collection instrument for detailed expenses for 2007

Our Experience, to Date, in Adding NAPCS Product Data and Expenses and Purchased Service Categories to the SAS (continued)

- A common set of core expense items will be created
 - Target goal to define core set of expenses is the end of 2004
 - Target date for core set of annual expenses to appear on SAS forms will be for the 2005 SAS, mailed in 2006
- All Census Bureau programs collecting annual expenses data will use core set regardless of whether it falls within an economic census year

Our Experience, to Date, in Adding NAPCS Product Data and Expenses and Purchased Service Categories to the SAS (continued)

- SAS covers over 260 industries
 - Includes most 5- and 6 digit NAICS industries
 - All industries collect total revenue and ecommerce revenue
 - All or a portion collect: product lines, sources of revenue, total expenses, detailed expenses, exports, and inventories
 - Product lines for specific industries in NAICS Sector 54 and Sector 56 will be collected in the 2004 SAS

Next Steps

- Proceed with Phase 1 Plans
- Pending FY 2005 Budget, proceed with Phase 2 Plans
- If no funds are received in the 2005 budget to expand SAS or QSS, we will consider redirecting existing funds to cover all or part of these expansions, based on interagency priorities

Thank You!