

ADVISORY PANELS ON CONSUMER PRICES - TECHNICAL

Agenda

11 January 2019

Board room, UK Statistics Authority, Drummond Gate, Pimlico, London SW1V 2QQ

Chair: Grant Fitzner

(10:15 arrival) 10:30-13:00

Time	Item	Presenter & Paper	Description
10.15	Arrivals		
10.30	Introduction, apologies and actions	Mr Grant Fitzner	Make introductions if necessary. Inform panel members of any apologies. Cover off actions from the last meeting.
10.45	Stocktake of the discussion around unweighted index numbers	Mr Chris Payne Paper APCP-T(19)01 <i>The use of unweighted indices in ONS's consumer price statistics</i>	This paper presents provides references to recent discussion around the use of unweighted formula in ONS's consumer price statistics, following the Lords Economic Affairs Committee's inquiry into the use of RPI.
11.05	Small area estimation for regional CPI expenditure weights	Mr Paul Smith Paper APCP-T(19)02 <i>Assessment of small area estimation for regional CPI expenditure weights</i>	This paper sets out further work carried out by the University of Southampton exploring the feasibility of producing regional breakdowns of CPIH. The aim of this report is to explore the potential suitability and benefits of using small area estimation for regional expenditure weights in a regional CPIH.
11.45	Approximate expenditure weights for web scraped data	Ms Tanya Flower Paper APCP-T(19)03 <i>The use of approximate expenditure weights for web scraped data</i>	Expenditure and quantity information are not available at the product level in web scraped datasets. This paper is an update to research presented in APCP-T(18)14 in September 2018, and continues to investigate approximate weight

			allocation methods for the individual product quotes used in the calculation of an item's index.
12.15	A review of quality adjustment methods	Mr Chris Payne Paper APCP-T(19)04 <i>Review of Quality Adjustment Methods Currently Used in ONS Consumer Price Indices</i>	This paper provides an update on the review of quality adjustment procedures in consumer price statistics. We propose a number of indicators for monitoring the effectiveness of quality adjustment methods in practice.
12.45	AOB and date of next meeting	Mr Grant Fitzner	AOB: Friday 17 May 2019 Friday 6 September 2019
13.00	Meeting close		