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Subject: Agenda for Econ Table Subgroup

All,

I have attached a modified excel spreadsheet based on one from the Krabill presentation. It presents a comparison of several of the estimation methods in both tabular format, and a chart. I have compared the Betson/Rothbarth, Betson/Engel, an average of the Betson models, a weighted average of the current Wa child support table [collapsing the two columns to one weighted by age], and the McCaleb Engel model. In addition, I have annotated the chart with the expenditure averages for the midpoints of the 3 income ranges from the latest USDA report, excluding extraordinary expenses for childcare and medical expenses. I confirmed the the Betson numbers from the Krabill presentation conform to those presented in the PSI extracts provided by Kathleen. Nancy, please do not post this spreadsheet to the website until we have had a chance to discuss it, and it has been presented and discussed by the entire group.

I must leave the meeting tomorrow promptly at 5 in order to make another obligation, so I'll try to keep things on track.

The agenda for tomorrow's call-in meeting is:

- 1) Discuss the attached spreadsheet and gather ideas for other graphics to be presented on Friday, or at subsequent meetings.
- 2) Solicit questions for the external speakers.
- 3) Get a research update from Janet.

I have emailed Ellen to see if we can add Dr. McCaleb to our list of external speakers. Greg, I included you as a person who may be able to facilitate this since you have contact information for him.

Thanks, and I'll hopefully talk with you all tomorrow.

Jim