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FROM THE U.S. CENSUS BUREAU
AND THE AGENCY FOR HEALTHCARE RESEARCH AND QUALITY

Thank you for your interest in obtaining information about the Health Insurance Cost Study, the insurance component of the Medical Expenditure Panel Survey (MEPS-IC).

The MEPS is designed to measure healthcare use and expenditures in the United States. The insurance component of this survey provides details on the health insurance system among businesses and governments. Participation in this study by organizations such as yours enables policymakers and researchers to examine the data collected and address important issues posed by the healthcare system of our Nation.

As you requested, we have enclosed a package of the MEPS materials produced from the collected data. If you would like more information on the MEPS-IC or the survey sponsor, the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), please visit the AHRQ Web site at <http://www.meps.ahrq.gov>.

On behalf of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality and the Census Bureau, we again thank you and appreciate your interest in the Health Insurance Cost Study.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "C. Harvey Monk Jr.".

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Enclosures



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