

Moffitt Remarks

- Role of Statistical Agencies in 21st Century: Increasingly important role at the same time budgets are becoming more stringent!
- Choosing among priorities: a difficult task
- Keeping all data products alive has to be top priority (but there are scenarios where this has to give way to quality among fewer products)
- One obvious point: help the research community help the statistical agencies
- Among the many challenges facing statistical agencies: **Data Quality**

- Appears everywhere: here, want to talk about household surveys, especially the CPS
- Issue 1: Employment inconsistency with admin data
- Issue 2: Earnings misreporting
- Issue 3: Transfer program misreporting
- Survey-admin statistical matching?
- Alternative Series?
- Keep on priority list
- Only statistical agencies can do broad syntheses from multiple data sources: and need cooperation and coordination across agencies to achieve that