New Measures: A Road Map

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Developing New Measures

- Role of LEHD staff?
- Role of State Partners?
- How do we work together?
Suggested Process

• Step 1
  – Generate wish-list
  – Technical considerations
  – Prioritize

• Step 2
  – Technical evaluation of specification

• Step 3
  – Implementation
  – Beta release

• Step 4
  – Official release
Step 1 – Technical Considerations

• Specification
• Technical and Operational Feasibility
• Research and Development
Proposed Measures

• Easier
  – Job-to-job flows
  – Separations (“permanent”)
  – Earnings (beginning-of-period)
  – Multiple, single job holders

• Harder
  – Age
  – Earnings intervals
Proposed Measures (cont’d)

• Don’t know
  – Retention
  – Leading index
  – Industry and demographic clusters
  – Augmented wage record file
Moving Forward

• Define standards for requests
  – Provide clarification
  – Onus of research and development

• Define process for evaluating requests
  – Role of LEHD staff
  – Role of State Partners

• Define end-result and time-line