

**Table D. Suppression rules**

ESTIMATE	SUPPRESS IF:
<b>Percentage, Distribution, Proportion/Shares:</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• % under the low-income cutoff (LICO)</li> <li>• Income distribution</li> <li>• Proportion of families with income=0</li> </ul>	Denominator* sample size < 25 or Denominator* sample size < 100 and numerator sample size < 5
<b>Ratios:</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• female/male earnings</li> </ul>	Numerator sample size < 25 or Denominator sample size < 25
<b>Quintiles (shares, means and upper income limits)</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• shares of income by quintile</li> <li>• average income by quintile</li> <li>• upper income limits</li> </ul>	sample size in all quintiles/5 < 25 or upper income limit for upper income quintile or total of quintiles
<b>Other estimates</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Counts</li> <li>• Mean</li> <li>• Medians</li> <li>• Gini coefficients</li> </ul>	sample size < 25

\*The denominator sample size refers to the sample size of the total estimate from which the distribution, percentage, proportion or share is derived.

### Quality Indicators

Quality indicators (QI) are available for 2002 and are based on the coefficient of variation (CV) and suppression rules. The following indicators are used:

- . not available for any reference period
- .. not available for a specific reference period
- ...not applicable
- s value rounded to 0 (zero)
- p preliminary
- r revised
- x suppressed to meet confidentiality requirements

- A** excellent (CV between 0 and 2%)
- B** very good (CV between 2% and 4%)
- C** good (CV between 4% and 8%)
- D** acceptable (CV between 8% and 16%)
- E** use with caution (CV greater than or equal to 16%)
- F** too unreliable to be published (suppressed)