

collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before April 30, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dhynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Theresa J. DeMaio, U. S. Census Bureau, Room 3127, FOB 4, Washington, DC 20233–9150, (301) 457–4894 (or via the Internet at theresa.j.demaio@census.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Census Bureau plans to request an extension of the current OMB approval to conduct a variety of small-scale questionnaire pretesting activities under this generic clearance. A block of hours will be dedicated to these activities for each of the next three years. OMB will be informed in writing of the purpose and scope of each of these activities, as well as the time frame and the number of burden hours used. The number of hours used will not exceed the number set aside for this purpose.

This research program will be used by the Census Bureau and survey sponsors to improve questionnaires and procedures, reduce respondent burden, and ultimately increase the quality of data collected in the Census Bureau censuses and surveys. The clearance will be used to conduct pretesting of decennial, demographic, and economic census and survey questionnaires prior to fielding them. Pretesting activities will involve one of the following methods for identifying measurement problems with the questionnaire or survey procedure: Cognitive interviews, focus groups, respondent debriefing, behavior coding of respondent/interviewer interaction, and split panel tests.

II. Method of Collection

Any of the following methods may be used: Mail, telephone, face-to-face; paper-and-pencil, CATI, CAPI, Internet, or IVR.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0607–0725.

Form Number: Various.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, Farms, Business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 5,500.

Estimated Time per Response: 1 hour.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 5,500.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: There is no cost to respondents, except for their time to complete the questionnaire.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: 13 U.S.C. 131, 141, 142, 161, 181, 182, 193, and 301.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: February 22, 2007.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

U.S. Census Bureau

Age Search Service

ACTION: Proposed collection; Comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before April 30, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Angela Feldman Harkins, Assistant Director (Processing), United States Census Bureau, National Processing Center, Jeffersonville, Indiana, 46132, on (812) 218–3434 (or via the Internet at angela.m.feldman.harkins@census.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

Age Search is a service provided by the U.S. Census Bureau for persons who need official transcripts of personal data as proof of age for pensions, retirement plans, medicare, and social security. The transcripts are also used as proof of citizenship to obtain passports or to provide evidence of family relationship for rights of inheritance. The Age Search forms are used by the public in order to provide the Census Bureau with the necessary information to conduct a search of historical population decennial census records in order to provide the requested transcript. The Age Search service is self-supporting and is funded by the fees collected from the individuals requesting the service.

II. Method of Collection

The Form BC–600, Application for Search of Census Records, is a public use form that is submitted by applicants requesting information from the decennial census records. Applicants are requested to enclose appropriate fee by check or money order with the completed and signed Form BC–600 and return by mail to the U.S. Census Bureau, Personal Census Search Unit, in Jeffersonville, Indiana. The Form BC–649 (L), which is called a “Not Found”, advises the applicant that search for information from the census records was unsuccessful. The BC–658 (L), is sent to the applicant when insufficient information has been received on which to base a search of the census records. These two forms request additional information from the applicant to aid in the search of census records.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0607–0117.

Form Number: BC–600, BC–649(L), BC–658(L).

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 4,470 Total (BC-600-3,233; BC-649 (L)-1,036; BC-658(L)-201).

Estimated Time per Response: BC-600-12 minutes; BC-649(L)-6 minutes; BC-658(L)-6 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 772 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: The Age Search processing fee is \$65.00 per case. An additional charge of \$20 per case for expedited requests requiring results within one day is also available.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

Legal Authority: Title 13, United States Code, Section 8.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: February 22, 2007.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

U.S. Census Bureau

Current Industrial Reports Surveys—WAVE II (Mandatory and Voluntary Surveys)

ACTION: Proposed collection; Comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on

proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before April 30, 2007.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to: Mendel D. Gayle, Assistant Chief for Census and Related Programs, (301) 763-4587, Census Bureau, Manufacturing and Construction Division, Room 2102A, Building #4, Washington, DC 20233 (or via the Internet at: mendel.d.gayle@census.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Census Bureau plans to request a revision of the currently approved Office of Management and Budget (OMB) clearance of the Current Industrial Reports (CIR) for Wave II. The Census Bureau conducts a series of monthly, quarterly, and annual surveys as part of the Current Industrial Reports (CIR) program. The CIR surveys primarily publish data on quantity and value of shipments of particular products and occasionally with data on production and inventories; unfilled orders, receipts, stocks and consumption; and comparative data on domestic production, exports, and imports of the products they cover. These surveys provide continuing and timely national statistical data on manufacturing. Individual firms, trade associations, and market analysts use the results of these surveys extensively in planning or recommending marketing and legislative strategies.

The CIR program includes both mandatory and voluntary surveys. Typically, the monthly and quarterly surveys are conducted on a voluntary basis and annual collections are mandatory. The collection frequency of individual CIR surveys is determined by the cyclical nature of production, the need for frequent trade monitoring, or the use of data in Government economic indicator series. Some monthly and quarterly CIR surveys have an annual "counterpart" collection. The annual counterpart collects annual data on a mandatory basis from those firms not

participating in the more frequent collection.

Due to the large number of surveys in the CIR program, for clearance purposes, the CIR surveys are divided into "waves." One wave is resubmitted for clearance each year. This year the Census Bureau plans to submit mandatory and voluntary surveys of Wave II for clearance. During the economic census years, years ending in 2 and 7 all voluntary annual surveys are made mandatory. For the 2007 Economic Census the following surveys are converting to mandatory status: MA311D—"Confectionery", MA333N—"Fluid Power Products for Motion Control (Including Aerospace)", and MA336G—"Aerospace Industry". The MQ335C—"Fluorescent Lamp Ballasts" is discontinued. All known manufacturing activities for this industry are done outside the United States. The surveys included in Wave II are:

Mandatory surveys	Voluntary survey
M311J—Oilseeds, Beans, and Nuts (Primary Producers).	*M327G—Glass Containers.
M313N—Cotton and Raw Linters in Public Storage.	*MQ311A—Flour Milling Products.
M313P—Consumption on the Cotton System and Stocks.	*MQ325A—Inorganic Chemicals.
MQ313A—Textiles	MQ325F—Paint, Varnish, and Lacquer.
MQ315A—Apparel	*These voluntary surveys have mandatory annual counterparts.
MQ333W—Metalworking Machinery.	
MA311D—Confectionery.	
MA314Q—Carpets and Rugs.	
MA321T—Lumber Production and Mill Stocks.	
MA325G—Pharmaceutical Preparations, except Biologicals.	
MA333N—Fluid Power Products for Motion Control (Including Aerospace).	
MA333P—Pumps and Compressors.	
MA335E—Electric Housewares and Fans.	
MA335J—Insulated Wire and Cable.	
MA336G—Aerospace Industry.	