

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of FSIS's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of FSIS' estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (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 those who are to respond, including through use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques, or other forms of information technology.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: July 10, 1997.

Thomas J. Billy,
Administrator.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Iowa Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, that a meeting of the Iowa Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene at 10:00 a.m. and adjourn at 1:00 p.m. on August 7, 1997, at the Marriott Hotel, 700 Grand, Des Moines, Iowa 50309. The purpose of the meeting is to plan for future activities.

Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact Melvin L. Jenkins, Director of the Central Regional Office, 913-551-1400 (TDD 913-551-1414). Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least five (5) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, July 9, 1997.

Carol-Lee Hurley,
Chief, Regional Programs Coordination Unit.
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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Oklahoma Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, that a meeting of the Oklahoma Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene at 6:00 p.m. and adjourn at 9:00 p.m. on September 11, 1997, at the Holiday Inn, 2515 West 6th Street, Stillwater, OK 74074. The purpose of the meeting is to plan future activities.

Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact Melvin L. Jenkins, Director of the Central Regional Office, 913-551-1400 (TDD 913-551-1414). Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least five (5) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, July 9, 1997.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of the Census

Census 2000 Dress Rehearsal Questions on Race and Hispanic Origin

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 September 15, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to John H. Thompson, Associate Director for Decennial Census, Bureau of the Census, Room 3586, Federal Building 3, Washington, DC 20233-0001, telephone (301) 457-3946.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

This pre-submission **Federal Register** notice complements the pre-submission notice on "Census 2000 Dress Rehearsal" that was published in the **Federal Register** on Friday, May 23, 1997 (Vol. 62, No. 100, pp. 28443-28444). That earlier notice was intended to solicit public comment on the proposed dress rehearsal plan and the questions to be included on the information collection instrument(s), except the questions on race and Hispanic origin, as these questions had not been sufficiently developed at that time. The information collection instrument(s) referenced in the May 23, 1997 notice included the following note concerning questions 5 and 6:

These questions will ask for information on race and Hispanic origin and possibly ancestry. These specific questions, including the order in which they are asked, will depend partly on the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) review of Directive No. 15, "Race and Ethnic Standards for Federal Statistics and Administrative Reporting." The OMB plans to announce any revisions to the Directive No. 15 in October 1997.

We have now developed proposed questions on race and Hispanic origin and are soliciting comment on these questions. The proposed questions on race, Hispanic origin, and ancestry for the Census 2000 Dress Rehearsal are consistent with the recommendations of the Interagency Committee for the Review of Racial and Ethnic Standards to OMB. The report and recommendations of the Committee were published for public comment in the **Federal Register** on Wednesday, July 9, 1997 (Vol. 62, No. 131, pp. 36874-36946).

The proposed question on ancestry is unchanged from that shown in question 10 in the information collection instrument(s) referenced in the May 23, 1997 **Federal Register** notice. The proposed questions on race and Hispanic origin are shown for the first time in the information collection instrument(s) referenced in this **Federal Register** notice.

The information collection instrument(s) to be used in the Census 2000 Dress Rehearsal will be submitted soon for OMB review. They will not

contain the questions on race and Hispanic origin that will eventually be included on the instrument(s). Questions on race and Hispanic origin (specifically, questions 5 and 6) will be submitted at a later date for OMB review, after we have gathered public comment on their content.

The information provided below under "Method of Collection" and "Data" is identical to information provided in the May 23, 1997 notice.

II. Method of Collection

The Census 2000 Dress Rehearsal will conduct a complete census in the three dress rehearsal sites. In areas containing city style addresses, we will mail the following independent mailing pieces: an advance letter, an original questionnaire with postage-paid return envelope, a reminder card, and a replacement questionnaire with postage-paid return envelope. In areas containing non-city style addresses, enumerators will deliver a questionnaire to each household, to be returned in a postage-paid envelope. Households in these areas also will receive an advance letter before questionnaire delivery and a reminder card following questionnaire delivery. In all areas of the sites, we will visit and collect information from a sample of households that did not return a questionnaire by mail or report their census information by other means, such as by telephone. We will also conduct a reinterview of a small portion of respondents during nonresponse follow-up.

III. Data

OMB Number: Not available.

Form Numbers:

Short Form: DX-1, DX-1(S)

Long Form: DX-2, DX-2(S)

Enumerator Forms: DX-1E, DX-2E

Household Follow-up: DX-1(HF)

Be Counted Forms: DX-10, DX-

10(S), DX-10(C), DX-10(M), DX-

10(V), DX-10(T)

Individual Census Questionnaires:

DX-15A, DX-15B, DX-20A, DX-

20A(S), DX-20B, DX-20B(S)

Military Census Report: DX-21

Letters/Cards/Notices: DX-5(L), DX-

5(L)(S), DX-9, DX-1E(S), DX-

2E(S), DX-1F, DX-26, DX-28, DX-31

Reinterview: DX-806

Type of Review: Regular Submission.

Affected Public: Individuals or

Households.

Estimated Number of Respondents:

450,000 households (approx.).

(Short Form: 83% Long Form: 17%)

Reinterview: 3,000 households

Estimated Time Per Response:

Short Form: 10 minutes

Long Form: 38 minutes

Reinterview: 5 minutes

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:

Short Form: 62,250 hours

Long Form: 48,450 hours

Reinterview: 250 hours

Total: 110,950 hours

Estimated Total Annual Cost: The only cost to respondents is that of their time.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Legal Authority: Title 13 U.S.C. Sections 141 and 193.

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: July 14, 1997.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Economic Analysis

Survey of Ocean Freight Revenues and Expenses of United States Carriers—BE-30; Survey of U.S. Airline Operators' Foreign Revenues and Expenses—BE-37

ACTION: Extension of collection; comments requested.

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 September 15, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230. Phone number: (202) 482-3272.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to: Michael Mann, Chief, Current Account Services Branch, Room 8018, Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230; phone: (202) 606-9573; and fax: (202) 606-5314.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Bureau of Economic Analysis is responsible for the computation and publication of the U.S. balance of payments accounts. The information collected in these surveys are an integral part of the "transportation" portion of the U.S. balance of payments accounts. The balance of payments accounts, which are published quarterly in the Bureau's monthly publication, the *Survey of Current Business*, are one of the major statistical products of BEA. The accounts provide a statistical summary of U.S. international transactions. They are used by government and private organizations for national and international policy formulation, and analytical studies. Without the information collected in these surveys, an integral component of the transportation account would be omitted. No other Government agency collects comprehensive quarterly data on U.S. ocean carriers' freight revenues and expenses or U.S. airline operators' foreign revenues and expenses.

These surveys request information from U.S. ocean and air carriers engaged in the international transportation of goods and/or passengers. Information is collected on a quarterly basis from U.S. ocean and air carriers with total annual covered revenues and total annual covered expenses, each over \$500,000. U.S. ocean and air carriers with total annual covered revenues and expenses below \$500,000 are exempt from reporting.

II. Method of Collection

Mandatory reports are received from U.S. ocean and air carriers who provide data regarding their revenues and expenses resulting from international transportation. Submission of the