Background and Brief Description

The compilation of national vital statistics dates back to the beginning of the 20th century and has been conducted since 1960 by the Division of Vital Statistics of the National Center for Health Statistics, CDC. The collection of the data is authorized by 42 U.S.C. 242k. This submission requests approval to collect the monthly and annually summary statistics for three years.

The Monthly Vital Statistics Report forms provide counts of monthly occurrences of births, deaths, infant deaths, marriages, and divorces. Similar data have been published since 1937 and are the sole source of these data at the National level. The data are used by the Department of Health and Human Services and by other government, academic, and private research and commercial organizations in tracking changes in trends of vital events. The

respondents are the registration officials in the 50 States, the District of Columbia, New York City, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. In addition, 33 local (county) officials in New Mexico who record marriages occurring and divorces and annulments granted in each county of New Mexico will use this form. This form, which takes about 10 minutes to complete, is designed to collect counts of monthly occurrences of births, deaths, infant deaths, marriages, and divorces immediately following the month of occurrence.

The Annual Vital Statistics
Occurrence Report Form collects final
annual counts of marriages and divorces
by month for the United States and for
each State. The statistical counts
requested on this form differ from
provisional estimates obtained on the
Monthly Vital Statistics Report Form in

that they represent complete counts of marriages, divorces, and annulments occurring during the months of the prior year. These final counts are usually available from State or county officials about eight months after the end of the data year. The data are widely used by government, academic, private research, and commercial organizations in tracking changes in trends of family formation and dissolution. The 58 Respondents for the Annual Vital Statistics Occurrence Report Form, which takes about 30 minutes to complete, are registration officials in each State and Territory, the District of Columbia, and New York City.

There are no costs to respondents other than their time to participate; the data are routinely available in each reporting office as a by-product of ongoing activities. The total estimated annualized burden hours are 211.

TABLE 1—ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Type of respondents	Form name	Number of respondent	Number of responses per respondents	Average burden per response (in hours)
State, Territory and New Mexico County officials.	Monthly Vital Statistics Report	91	12	10/60
State, Territory and Other officials	Annual Vital Statistics Occurrence Report	58	1	30/60

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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Proposed Data Collections Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

In compliance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects. To request more information on the proposed projects or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, call 404–639–7570 and send comments to Kimberly Lane, CDC Reports Clearance Officer, 1600 Clifton

Road, MS–D74, Atlanta, GA 30333 or send an email to *omb@cdc.gov*.

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 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. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Proposed Project

The National Birth Defects Prevention Study (NBDPS), (OMB 0920–0010)—Reinstatement Without Change—National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities (NCBDDD), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background and Brief Description

CDC has been monitoring the occurrence of serious birth defects and

genetic diseases in Atlanta since 1967 through the Metropolitan Atlanta Congenital Defects Program (MACDP). The MACDP is a population-based surveillance system for birth defects in the 5 counties of Metropolitan Atlanta. Its primary purpose is to describe the spatial and temporal patterns of birth defects occurrence and serves as an early warning system for new Teratogens.

The National Birth Defects Prevention Study (NBDPS) formerly the Birth Defects Risk Factor Surveillance Study (BDRFS) began in 1997. The NBDPS is a case-control study of major birth defects that includes cases identified from existing birth defect surveillance registries in nine states, including metropolitan Atlanta. NBDPS control infants are randomly selected from birth certificates or birth hospital records. Mothers of case and control infants are interviewed using a computer-assisted telephone interview. The interview takes approximately one hour to complete. A maximum of four hundred interviews are planned per year per center, 300 cases and 100 controls resulting in a maximum interview burden of 400 hours for each of the centers each year.

Parents are also asked to collect cheek cells from themselves and their infant for DNA. The collection of cheek cells by the mother, father, and infant takes about 10 minutes per person. Each person rubs 1 brush inside the left cheek and 1 brush inside the right cheek for a total of 2 brushes per person. Collection of the cheek cells takes approximately 1–2 minutes, but the estimate of burden is 10 minutes to

account for reading and understanding the consent form and specimen collection instructions and mailing back the completed kits. The anticipated maximum burden for collection of the cheek cells is 200 hours per center per year.

Information gathered from both the interviews and the DNA specimens have been and will continue to be used to study independent genetic and

environmental factors as well as geneenvironment interactions for a broad range of carefully classified birth defects.

This request is submitted to obtain OMB clearance for three additional years.

There are no costs to the respondents other than their time.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS PER CENTER

Respondents	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per re- sponse	Total burden hours
NBDPS case/control interview	400 1,200	1 1	1 10/60	400 200
Total				600

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Proposed Projects: Data Collection for some of the Children's Bureau Funded Discretionary Programs.

Title: Performance Measurement On-Line Tool (PMOTOOL).

OMB No.: New Collection. Description: The Performance Measurement On-Line Tool (PMOTOOL) was designed by the Children's Bureau to collect data, in an automated format, from specified discretionary grants funded by the Children's Bureau. The data collected by this instrument will be submitted by individual discretionary grantees funded under the following programs: Abandoned Infants Assistance Program. Infant Adoption Awareness Program, Adoption Opportunities Program, Child Abuse and Neglect Program and the Child Welfare Training Program.

Grantees will submit this information on a semi-annual basis in conjunction with their semi-annual program progress report.

The purpose of this data collection is to assist the Children's Bureau in using the aggregated data to examine the social impact or public benefit under each funded federal program. These measurable outcomes will serve as evidence that the federally funded programs are making progress toward achieving broad, legislated program goals.

Respondents: Selected clusters of competitive grant programs funded by the Children's Bureau.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
Performance Measurement On-Line Tool.	Abandoned Infants Assistance Program Range 20–30.	2 per fiscal year	One hour per response field	Range 40-60
Performance Measurement On-Line Tool.	Infant Adoption Awareness Program Range 6.	2 per fiscal year	One hour per response field	Range 12
Performance Measurement On-Line Tool.	Adoption Opportunities Program Range 45–55.	2 per fiscal year	One hour per response field	Range 90- 110
Performance Measurement On-Line Tool.	Child Abuse and Neglect Program Range 30–40.	2 per fiscal year	One hour per response field	Range 60–80
Performance Measurement On-Line Tool.	Child Welfare Training Program Range 40–50.	2 per fiscal year	One hour per response field	Range 80– 100

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 282–350.

In compliance with the requirements of Section 506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Administration for Children and Families is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described above. Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained and

comments may be forwarded by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, 370 L'Enfant Promenade SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. Email address:

infocollection@acf.hhs.gov. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection.

The Department specifically requests comments 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 of the proposed collection of information; (c) the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d)