II. Current Action

Office of Management and Budget clearance is being sought for the ATUS. This survey collects information on how individuals in the United States use their time. Collection is done on a continuous basis with the sample drawn monthly. The survey sample is drawn from households completing their final month of interviews for the Current Population Survey (CPS). Households are selected to ensure a representative demographic sample, and one individual from each household is selected to take part in one Computer Assisted Telephone Interview. In this interview, respondents are asked to report all of their activities for one pre-assigned 24-hour day, which is the day prior to the interview. A short series of summary questions and CPS updates follows the core time diary collection. After each full year of collection, annual national estimates of time use for an average weekday or weekend day are available.

Beginning in January 2011, it is proposed that questions about eldercare be added to the ATUS to replace questions currently asked about missed days. The eldercare questions are designed to collect data on who is providing unpaid eldercare, the time they spend providing this care, and the types of eldercare activities they do. The proposed addition of eldercare questions will be a permanent change to the ATUS. Eldercares is a topic that aligns closely with the ATUS goal of collecting information about time spent in unpaid, productive activities, and it is a topic of interest to researchers, particularly because the U.S. population is aging.

The proposed eldercare questions will replace questions about missed days. The missed-days questions ask respondents for information about the number of days they were away from home in the month before the interview and the reasons why they were away. The data from these questions are under-used and BLS is not aware of any publications that have used them. It is proposed that the missed-days questions be permanently dropped from the survey.

Also beginning in January 2011, questions sponsored by the Department of Labor’s Women’s Bureau about workers’ access to and use of leave are proposed to be added to the ATUS as a Leave module. These questions will be included for 12 months (through December 2011). The questions will ask employed wage and salary workers about their access to paid and unpaid leave, their use of leave in the previous 7 days, and their ability to vary their work schedules instead of taking leave. Data from the Leave module will provide a richer description of work. The data will provide information about the types of leave available to workers, the reasons for which workers are able to take leave, their leave activity, and information about whether workers can adjust their schedules to balance personal and work obligations instead of taking leave. The module will also provide more information about the relationship between workers’ use of leave and their use of time.

Because the ATUS sample is a subset of households completing interviews for the CPS, the same demographic information collected from that survey is available for ATUS respondents. Comparisons of activity patterns across characteristics such as sex, race, age, disability status, and education of the respondent, as well as the presence of children and the number of adults living in the respondent’s household, are possible.

III. Desired Focus of Comments

The Bureau of Labor Statistics is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility.
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.


Estimated Total Burden Hours: 3,520 hours per year for the main ATUS and 4,620 hours per year when the Leave module is included.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): $0.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): $0.

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

Signed at Washington, DC, this 24th day of June 2010.

Washington, DC 20212. Written comments also may be transmitted by fax to 202–691–5111 (this is not a toll free number).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Carol Rowan, BLS Clearance Officer, at 202–691–7628 (this is not a toll free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Occupational Employment Statistics Program (OES) program has been funded to collect and produce objective and reliable information on occupational employment and wages for green jobs at the establishment level. This information collection will be conducted through special topic surveys on the green economy. This work is necessary to meet the publication objective outlined in the President’s FY2010 budget proposal.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) presented its approach to measuring green jobs and the proposed definition of green jobs in a March 16th, 2010, Federal Register Notice (75 FR 12571). The measurement approach includes two types of surveys: One on jobs related to producing green goods and services, and one on jobs related to using environmentally friendly production processes and practices.

The latter approach will be accomplished through a special employer survey. The proposed research is to assist BLS in developing and testing this survey. This project includes developing survey forms and information collection protocols to provide information on environmentally friendly production processes implemented by businesses across all industries; collecting information on the presence of those activities; and collecting the number, occupation, and wages paid to employees of the establishment performing those activities. This research is necessary for BLS to develop, design, and test survey forms to produce objective and reliable information on these practices.

II. Current Action

Office of Management and Budget clearance is being sought for the “Forms Design and Pilot Testing for the BLS Green Practices and Processes Project.” It is the goal of BLS and its OES program to produce economic statistics on employment related to use of environmentally friendly processes across the U.S. economy. Using its business establishment register, the OES program intends to survey establishments about these activities and the associated employment. The survey will identify employers performing green activities, determine whether they have any employees performing tasks associated with these activities, gather information to classify those employees according to the Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system, and collect wage rate information.

III. Desired Focus of Comments

The Bureau of Labor Statistics is particularly interested in comments that:

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- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

Type of Review: New collection.
Title: Forms Design and Pilot Testing for the BLS Green Practices and Processes Project.
OMB Number: 1220–NEW.
Affected Public: Private sector businesses or other for-profits; not-for-profit institutions, small businesses or organizations; State and local governments.

Total Respondents: 2,200.
Frequency: One time.
Average Time per Response: 21 minutes.

Estimated Total Burden Hours:

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The respondents contacted for the follow-up interviews are a subset of the respondents contacted during the forms panel testing. About 250 respondents will be contacted twice, once during the panel testing and a second time for the follow-up interview. This is reflected in the difference between the total number of respondents and the total number of responses.

**Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): $0.
Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): $0.**

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

Signed at Washington, DC, this 24th day of June 2010.


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[Docket No. NRC–2010–0153]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC).

ACTION: Notice of the OMB review of information collection and solicitation of public comment.