

Appendix B. Title III Data Collection Requirements vs. Section 4 of the Assistive Technology Act of 1998, as Amended (P.L. 108-364), State Financing Data Collection Requirements

Item 4 of the supporting statement indicates that some of the data elements in this collection are duplicative of the data elements in OMB 1820-0572. The tables below identify all duplicative data elements and contain a side-by-side comparison of the similarities and differences between the portions of 1820-0662 and 1820-0572 that apply to alternative financing mechanisms.

Statutory Data Collection Requirements

Title III Data Element	Section 4 Data Element	Similarities/Differences
Type of alternative financing mechanisms used by each State and the community-based organization with which each State entered into a contract, under the program	Type of State financing activities used by the State	Section 4 State financing activities include but are not limited to alternative financing mechanisms
Amount of assistance given to consumers through the program	Amount and type of assistance given to consumers of the state financing activities	Section 4 requires type of assistance in addition to amount
Type of assistive technology device or assistive technology services financed through the program	Type of assistive technology device or assistive technology service financed through the State financing activities	Same requirement for both Section 4 and title III
Geographic distribution within the State	Geographic distribution within the State	Same requirement for both Section 4 and title III
Age		Title III requirement only
Type of disability		Title III requirement only
Gender		Title III requirement only
Whether the consumers are part of an underrepresented population or rural population		Title III requirement only

	Number of applications for assistance received	Section 4 requirement only
	Number of applications approved and rejected	Section 4 requirement only
	Default rate for the financing activities	Section 4 requirement only
	Range and average interest rate for the financing activities	Section 4 requirement only
	Range and average income of approved applicants for the financing activities	Section 4 requirement only
	Types and dollar amounts of assistive technology financed	Section 4 requirement only

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Revised OMB 1820-0662	OMB 1820-0572	Similarities/Differences
Geographic Area of Residence – Metro, Non-Metro	Area of Residence – Metro, Non-Metro	Same requirement for both Section 4 and title III
Number of Applications Approved – loan made	Number of Applications Approved – loan made	Same requirement for both Section 4 and title III
Number of Applications Approved – loan not made (i.e., the application was withdrawn after the loan was approved, or the loan was approved but not accepted by the consumer)	Number of Applications Approved – loan not made (i.e., the application was withdrawn after the loan was approved, or the loan was approved but not accepted by the consumer)	Same requirement for both Section 4 and title III
Number of Applications Rejected	Number of Applications Rejected	Same requirement for both Section 4 and title III
Total Number of Applications	Total Number of Applications	Same requirement for both Section 4 and title III
	Income of Applicants to Whom Loans Were Made – sum and average of gross income of approved	Section 4 requirement only

	applicants; number of loans made to applicants within income ranges	
Number of Type of Alternative Financing Mechanism (Revolving Loan - Low Interest & Preferred Interest; Partnership Loan – Low Interest with Interest Buy-Down, Loan Guarantee, Both, Neither & Preferred Interest with Interest Buy-Down, Loan Guarantee, Both, Neither; Other)	Number of Type of Loan (Revolving Loan; Loan Guarantee; Low Interest – with Interest Buy-Down, Loan Guarantee, Both, Neither; and Preferred Interest – with Interest Buy-Down, Loan Guarantee, Both, Neither; Other)	Title III requires additional distinction between low interest and preferred interest revolving loans
Number of Revolving Loans and Partnership Loans	Number and Dollar Value of Revolving Loans and Partnership Loans	Section 4 requires dollar value in addition to number of loans
Amount of Assistance and Type of Device Financed through the Program – number of types of devices financed and dollar value of loans by device financed	Types and Dollar Amounts of AT Financed – number and dollar value of loans by type of AT device/service financed	Same requirement for both Section 4 and title III
Range of Dollar Amounts of AT Financed – number of loans made to applicants by dollar range		Title III requirement only
Minimum and Maximum of Loan Amounts Financed		Title III requirement only
Optional Data Element Interest Rates – lowest and highest interest rates for both revolving and partnership loans	Interest Rates – sum and average interest rate; number of loans made to applicants within interest ranges	Section 4 requirement and an optional data element for title III
Optional Data Element Loan Amounts – minimum and maximum loan amounts offered by the AFP for both revolving and partnership loans		Optional data element for title III only

Optional Data Element Repayment Terms – minimum and maximum loan repayment terms offered by the AFP for both revolving and partnership loans		Optional data element for title III only
Optional Data Element Loan Guarantee Requirement – percentage of the loan that must be repaid by the AFP to the lender in case of default		Optional data element for title III only
Defaults – number of loans in default and number of active loans; net dollar loss on loans and total dollar value of active loans	Defaults – number of loans in default and number of active loans; net dollar loss on loans and total dollar value of active loans	Same requirement for both Section 4 and title III
Gender – total number of direct users of AT by gender		Title III requirement only
Age – total number of direct users of AT by age range distribution		Title III requirement only
Anecdote – at least one about a direct user or secondary user or beneficiary who benefited from an AFP loan	Anecdote – at least one about an individual who benefited from a state financing activity	Same requirement for both Section 4 and title III
	Performance Measures – Primary Purpose for Which AT is Needed (Education, Employment, and Community Living)	Section 4 requirement only
	Individual could only afford the AT through the statewide AT program	Section 4 requirement only
	AT was only available through the statewide AT program	Section 4 requirement only
	AT was available through other programs, but the system was too complex or the wait time was too long	Section 4 requirement only

	Customer Satisfaction – rating of services by number of customers	Section 4 requirement only
Notes – any unique issues that may affect data can be described in this section	Notes – any unique issues that may affect data can be described in this section	Same requirement for both Section 4 and title III