

B. Collection of Information Employing Statistical Methods

1. In the past, 30,000 Foreign Service Officer Test Registration Forms are received annually. The number is expected to decrease to around 20,000. The United States Department of State is only concerned with those individuals who submit the registration form; non-respondents are of no concern.
2. The U.S. Department of State uses the information from the registration material to assess the effectiveness of its recruitment process. Demographic data, schools and other registrant information are analyzed to assess the recruitment effort in the past year, as well as to project the recruitment effort that is needed for the future. This statistical analysis is critical to the ongoing development of the recruitment strategy and the assessment of the recruitment process to achieve the goals and objective of the United States Department of State Five Year Recruitment Plan. We have not had occasions requiring sampling procedures; all results of our data collected can be described as reliable data.
3. Not Applicable. Non-response is not an issue.
4. Not Applicable.
5. ACT, Inc. will be collecting the statistical data on behalf of the United States Department of State. The chief contact at ACT, Inc. on the statistical process is Vanita Johnson, reachable at (319) 337-1316.