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REMINDER—2009 SURVEY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT

FROM THE ACTING DIRECTOR
U.S. CENSUS BUREAU

A few weeks ago, the U.S. Census Bureau mailed the 2009 Survey of Government Employment (OMB No. 0607-0452, approval expires 02/28/2011). The form collects data on the number of employees and their payroll for state and local governments for the pay period, including March 12, 2009.

If you have returned your report, please accept our thanks.

If you have not returned your report, please provide the requested information within the next ten days, using one of the following options:

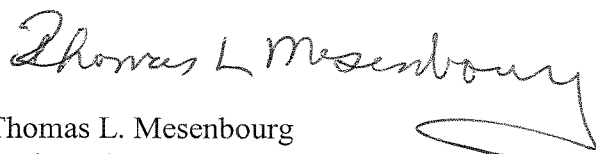
- Complete and mail the form you recently received.
- Log onto our Internet site using the Web address: <<http://harvester.census.gov/sgenet>>, then enter your 14-digit User ID provided here (XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX) and submit the requested data.
- Contact our office for a new form or assistance at 1 (800) 642-4901.

Please retain a copy of your reply for your records.

These data are widely used by government officials, policymakers, researchers, and citizens. They are critically important to making informed decisions concerning public employees, who comprise approximately 15 percent of the total civilian labor force. In addition to describing the nature, scale, and trends of governmental activities in the United States, this information provides specific measures of employment levels, employee pay, and operations of specific governments.

The Census Bureau appreciates your help.

Sincerely,



Thomas L. Mesenbourg
Acting Director