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SURVEY OF CONSTRUCTION Questionnaire for the Building Permit Official

TO BE COMPLETED BY CENSUS FIELD REPRESENTATIVE	
BPO Name	Respondent Name
Address of BPO	Respondent Title
	BPOID
SAMPLE FORM	Respondent Telephone Number
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TO BE COMPLETED BY RESPONDENT BPO BTIME	REVOND INCREME
What is the preferred time to call or visit this office? METHOD Is a computer printout available for use when listing new residential permits?	Do you include building or zoning permits for these additional areas in your monthly C-404 report? Yes – Please explain how to identify these areas
☐Yes ☐No	BPO_OTH Does any other office issue building or zoning permits within the limits of your jurisdiction?
Does your monthly C-404 Report (Report of Building or Zoning Permits issued) cover a regular calendar month, or some other period such as the last Wednesday of one month to the last Tuesday of the following month?	☐ Yes ☐ No – Skip to CLASS
Regular calendar month Other – Please explain	What is the address, telephone number, and contact information for the other office? Name Address
COVERAGE Does your office issue building or zoning permits for all areas within the geographic boundaries of your jurisdiction?	Telephone
Yes	CLASS
□ No – Please explain	Use the categories below to indicate how your office classifies the following permits:
	Residential Commercial Other issued
COVBEYOND	Single-family houses .
Does your office issue building or zoning permits for any areas beyond the geographic boundaries of your jurisdiction?	Three-unit buildings
Yes – Please describe the area	5+ unit buildings
□ No – Skip to BPO_OTH	Senior housing

CLASS_COMM	EXTEND_IDENTIFY
Does your office ever classify new residential building permits as commercial?	How can these "extended building permits" be identified?
□Yes	
□No	
SEP_PERM	LOCATESF
Does your office issue separate permits for:	Where are the residential building permits in this office
	located?
Foundations	
Superstructures	
Interior finishing Yes No	LOCATECM
Attached single-family units Yes No	Where are the commercial building permits in this office
Individual units in a multi-family building	located?
January	
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Does a building permit have an expiration date after a certain	
amount of time has passed?	AVAILABLE
□Yes	Are all building permits for a month available for review on the first day of the following month?
□ No − Skip to LOCATESF	
	☐ Yes ☐ No – When will they be available?
	□ NO – When will they be available:
EXTEND	
When a permit expires, can it be extended or is a new	
building permit required?	
Extended	INTERNET
New permit required – Skip to LOCATESF	Does your office provide any building permit data on the internet?
EXTEND_LIST	Yes – What is the Internet address?
Do you include these extended building permits in your	
monthly C-404 report?	□No
☐Yes	
□ No – Skip to LOCATESF	THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION. PLEASE
	RETAIN THIS FORM FOR USE BY YOUR CENSUS BUREAU REPRESENTATIVE
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