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# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Economics and Statistics Administration U.S. Census Bureau Washington, DC 20233-0001

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

### A Message from the Director, U.S. Census Bureau:

The U.S. Census Bureau has selected your government entity to participate in the **2016 Annual Survey of Public Employment & Payroll.** This survey is the only comprehensive source of information on the employment and payroll for state and local governments in the United States. The Information collected serves as an integral part of the foundation for developing national economic and public policy by measuring public activity.

**Enclosed** are separate survey letters for specific activities performed by this agency. Please complete each survey online with its unique User ID and Password. Each survey should be completed for the employees engaged in the activities described in the address label for the pay periods that include March 12, 2016.

Title 13 United States Code (U.S.C.), Sections 161 and 182 authorize the Census Bureau to conduct this collection and to request your voluntary assistance. We estimate this survey will take an average of 10 minutes to 15 hours to complete. On the back of this letter, you will find disclosure descriptions regarding Office of Management and Budget number, authority and confidentiality, and burden estimate statement.

For assistance completing the survey, visit us online at http://census.gov/govs/apes, email us at ewd.employment.survey@census.gov, or call our customer help line at 1-800-832-2839, Monday through Friday, 7 AM to 5 PM Eastern Time.

Thank you in advance for your time and cooperation, and for helping the U.S. Census Bureau measure America's people, places and our economy. Your response makes a difference.

Sincerely,

John H. Thompson Director US Census Bureau

**Enclosures** 



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## **OMB Number**

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) have approved this collection. The eight-digit OMB approval number is 0607-0452 and appears at the upper right of the login screen. Without this approval, we could not conduct this survey.

# **Authority and Confidentiality**

Title 13 United States Code (U.S.C.), Sections 161 and 182 authorize the Census Bureau to conduct this collection and to request your voluntary assistance. These data are subject to provisions of Title 13 U.S.C., Section 9(b) exempting data that are customarily provided in public records from rules of confidentiality.

## **Burden Estimate Statement**

We estimate this survey will take an average of 10 minutes to 15 hours to complete, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gather and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to: ECON Survey Comments 0607-0452, U.S. Census Bureau, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Room EMD-6K064, Washington, DC 20233. You may email comments to ECON.Survey.Comments@census.gov. Be sure to use ECON Survey Comments 0607-0452 as the subject.