



## U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Industry and Security Industrial Base Assessments



### The use of Select Software Technologies in U.S. Information Communication Technology

The Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS), Office of Technology Evaluation (OTE), is conducting a survey and assessment of U.S. Information Communication Technology (ICT) Software Manufacturers and Resellers. The assessment is requested by the Department of Homeland Security and the Department of Defense.

The principal goal of this joint effort is to gain a comprehensive understanding of the domestic ICT supply chain and its use of select software in private, public, and federal information network systems. Resulting aggregate data and subsequent analysis will allow industry representatives and government policy officials to monitor trends, benchmark industry performance, and raise awareness of potential issues of concern.

Your organization has been identified as participating in ICT at one or more facilities in the United States. Your participation is vital to ensure a comprehensive dataset for the assessment. BIS has worked in successful partnership with other U.S. industry sectors and we anticipate similar cooperation from your organization on this effort.

To begin, download the Microsoft Excel-formatted survey and corresponding instructions by clicking on the hyperlinked documents below.

[Software Survey](#) (Excel)\*† | [Software Survey](#) (PDF)†

Complete and submit the Excel version via the Census Bureau web portal at <https://respond.census.gov/software survey>. Do not send completed surveys via email. The PDF version is only a reference document for your organization's internal use and cannot be submitted in place of a completed Excel survey.

\*Note 1: Save a copy of the Excel survey to your computer before you make any inputs to the questionnaire.

†Note 2: If, when clicking on the above links, your computer does not ask if you want to download the file to your computer, right click on the link and select "Save As."

If you have any questions regarding the survey, please contact the BIS survey support staff by e-mail at [softwaresurvey@bis.doc.gov](mailto:softwaresurvey@bis.doc.gov), or phone (202) 482-7808. E-mail is the preferred method of contact and will allow for a detailed response by BIS.

**Your company is required by federal law (50 U.S.C. § 4555) to complete the survey within 30 days.** All information submitted to BIS is protected as Business Confidential under provisions of the Defense Production Act (DPA) of 1950, as amended, and will not be published or disclosed, other than in aggregate form. At no time will such reporting identify your specific organization. Such information is also protected from disclosure from Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests.

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