

Non-Substantive Change Request for Agricultural Labor Survey – 0535-0109

TERMS OF CLEARANCE: NASS agrees to request non-substantive change should the Standard Occupation Classification Policy Committee recommend changes to the proposed SOC codes for extant FLS occupational categories.

Several non-substantive changes have been made to the Agricultural Labor Survey in response to the Terms of Clearance NASS received on our last approval.

In the screening questions on page 1, item 2.b. bees and aquaculture were added to the question.

- 2.b. own or raise any livestock, poultry, bees or aquaculture?
[Include livestock and poultry owned, and any being raised under contract for someone else.]

On page 3, the questions relating to Paid Workers in 2017 was formerly in Section 4, it was moved to Section 1, because many respondents seemed to skip over it.

On pages 4 and 6 under livestock workers:

- Item 20 was added, to complete collection of the SOC class 45-2091, "Agricultural Equipment Operators." This change was specifically endorsed by the SOC Policy Committee & OMB. The current definition of Item 20 will be updated in 2018, in accordance with the final 2018 SOC Detailed Definitions (expected late 2017).
- 20. Agricultural Equipment Operators – Farm, Ranch, and Aquacultural Animals: Drive and control heavy farm equipment while attending to live farm, ranch, or aquacultural animals and in harvest of unprocessed animal products.
- Item 21 the definition was shortened to accommodate code 20, duty "milking" was added. Shortened definition is similar to the preliminary 2018 SOC Detailed Definition available, however this definition will also be updated in 2018, in accordance with the final SOC Detailed Definitions. Definitions do not match the SOC class descriptions exactly – but they are very similar (to the extent possible)
- 21 Farmworkers - Farm, Ranch, and Aquacultural Animals: Attend to live farm, ranch, or aquacultural animals including cattle, sheep, swine, goats, horses and other equines, poultry, finfish, shellfish, and bees. Duties may include feeding, watering, herding, milking, grazing, castrating, branding, de-beaking, weighing, catching, and loading animals. May conduct simple exams; maintain records; assist in births; and administer medications, vaccinations, or insecticides. May clean and maintain animal housing areas.

On pages 5 and 7 the instructions for paid workers was expanded to include:

**Report only one week of wages for the reference week.