SUPPORTING STATEMENT

COUNTRY EXPOSURE REPORT

(OMB No. 3064‑0017)

INTRODUCTION

Under the auspices of the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council (FFIEC), the FDIC is requesting OMB approval to extend for three years, with revision, the quarterly Country Exposure Report (form FFIEC 009) and the Country Exposure Information Report (form FFIEC 009a). These reports provide information regarding the amounts and composition, by country, of the foreign country exposures of U.S. banking institutions. The Federal Reserve Board (FRB) and the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) are also submitting this revision for OMB review for the banking institutions under their supervision.

This reporting and disclosure requirement is authorized by Sections 7 and 10 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1817 and 1820) and Sections 907(a) and (b) of the International Lending Supervision Act of 1983 (12 U.S.C. 3906(a) and (b)), as implemented by Section 347.305 of the FDIC’s regulations (12 CFR 347.305), which requires FDIC-supervised banking institutions to submit quarterly reports to the FDIC and to disclose to the public material country exposures.

The agencies are not proposing to revise the country exposure information required to be reported on the FFIEC 009 or the FFIEC 009a reporting forms. The agencies are, however, revising the instructions to FFIEC Form 009 in response to a comment suggesting that bank-owned and company-owned life insurance, physical commodities held in inventory, and pension assets should not be considered financial claims for purposes of the FFIEC 009 and FFIEC 009a reports. The instructions to FFIEC Form 009 are being revised by adding the above to the list of “Exclude” items in section II.A of the instructions to the FFIEC 009. This revision is not expected to have any effect on reporting burden.

A. JUSTIFICATION

1. Circumstances and Need

Pursuant to Section 907 of the International Lending Supervision Act of 1983 (12 U.S.C. 3906), banking institutions must report at least quarterly the amount and composition of their foreign country exposures. This information is crucial in determining (and monitoring) the soundness of the reporting institution as well as the U.S. banking system. A number of borrowers in foreign countries have experienced difficulties in paying the loans granted to them by U.S. banking institutions. This inability to pay or delays in repayment can impair a banking institution’s liquidity; affect an institution’s market rating and acceptability and, thus, its access to and cost of funding and capital; and affect an institution’s earnings.

The Country Exposure Report has been required of U.S. banking institutions since 1979. Since 1984 the report has been collected on a quarterly basis. Periodically, the federal banking agencies jointly, under the auspices of the FFIEC, make revisions to the report to improve the agencies’ ability to determine and monitor the soundness of U.S. banking institutions. FDIC-supervised banking institutions submit their reports under the provisions of Section 347.305 of the FDIC’s Regulation (12 CFR 347.305).

The Country Exposure Report (form FFIEC 009) is the only method the federal banking agencies have to systematically monitor the foreign country exposures of U.S. banking institutions in individual foreign countries. In February 1984, the FFIEC sanctioned collection of the supplementary Country Exposure Information Report (form FFIEC 009a) to implement the public disclosure requirements of the International Lending Supervision Act of 1983. The reports are required to be submitted to the federal banking agencies by (a) insured banks and savings associations that have foreign offices or an international banking facility (IBF) and have claims on residents of foreign countries of more than $30 million, (b) certain bank and savings and loan holding companies, and (c) such other banks, savings associations, and holding companies with country exposure that is large relative to capital, as determined by the agencies. This proposal would extend the country exposure reporting requirements to IHCs supervised by the FRB.

2. Use of Information Collected

On the currently approved versions of the Country Exposure Report (form FFIEC 009) , outstanding claims are broken down by type of borrower, i.e., banks, public sector, corporate, household, and non-bank financial institutions. This disaggregation allows supervisors to analyze risks by counterparty type. Outstanding claims with a remaining maturity of one year or less are also reported on the FFIEC 009. The existing FFIEC 009 reporting form provides a methodology to reallocate guaranteed obligations to the country of the guarantor to facilitate identification of the country of residence of the party with ultimate responsibility for the obligation.

Data reported on the FFIEC 009 on collateral held against claims provides information for supervisors to assess net risks based on their assumptions about the benefits of the collateral, and also produces insight into reporting institutions’ own internal calculations of foreign country exposure, which typically take collateral into account.

The FFIEC 009 report also requests data on firm commitments of banks to advance additional funds in countries covered by the report, local currency assets and liabilities of bank branches in those countries, exposures covered by U.S. government guarantees, the funding relationship of the bank’s other branch offices vis‑a‑vis offices in those countries, and foreign exchange and derivative products with a positive fair value. Data on gross credit derivatives purchased and sold also are collected along with a conservatively netted (i.e., at the counterparty and reference entity level) version of credit derivatives purchased and sold. These data provide a more complete view of a reporting institution’s credit derivative exposures.

The data reported on the FFIEC 009 serve an important purpose by ensuring consistency of reporting across institutions for a number of important components of foreign country exposure. These data improve supervisors’ ability to compare the amount of one institution’s exposures to those of its peers for a country or set of countries, analyze the aggregate exposure of U.S. banking institutions to foreign obligors, and monitor trends in exposures.

Thus, the Country Exposure Report is used to analyze trends in overseas lending and other extensions of credit by individual U.S. banking institutions and the U.S. banking system as a whole. The data can be used as a preliminary indicator of relative levels of risk undertaken by the individual banking institutions that file these reports and serve as a crucial tool in the examination process of these institutions. The reported data are essential for research, risk management supervision, and policy formulation within the banking agencies. Furthermore, the inclusion of the United States as a country for which exposures are reported in the FFIEC 009 report, which took effect December 31, 2013, enables an institution to reconcile the amounts reported on this report to those reported on its FR Y-9C report or Call Report (FFIEC 031), as appropriate, which includes exposures to U.S. obligors. This information enhances the agencies’ ability to conduct effective analysis of foreign and domestic exposures.

On behalf of the three banking agencies, the FRB makes the reported country exposure information available, in aggregate form, to the Bank for International Settlements (BIS), Basel, Switzerland. The BIS periodically issues statistical data on the overall indebtedness of various countries throughout the world. The data abstracted from the Country Exposure Report are uniquely valuable to the BIS since they provide insights on short‑term indebtedness of various countries (including that portion owed to U.S. banking institutions) which are not ordinarily available from the country. The BIS also compiles and publishes international banking statistics on banks’ risk exposures including, in particular, country risk. With the inclusion of the United States, the data reported on the FFIEC 009 enables the U.S. banking agencies to provide the BIS with the statistical data it needs for U.S. banking institutions. BIS data are utilized by a number of banks, governments, and analysts in determining the total debt burden of various countries.

The Country Exposure Information Report (form FFIEC 009a) collects data on exposures exceeding certain thresholds. Included in Part A are exposures to a country which exceed the lesser of 1 percent of the respondent bank’s assets or 20 percent of capital. Included in Part B are exposures, not large enough to report in Part A, but which exceed the lesser of 0.75 percent of assets or 15 percent of capital. The respondent bank needs only to list the names of the countries and the aggregate amount of exposure for all the countries listed under Part B. The form FFIEC 009a is available to the public. The FFIEC 009a data allow market participants to analyze exposure data to individual countries where the aggregate amount is significant.

3. Use of Technology to Reduce Burden

Effective with the March 31, 2003, report date, the FFIEC required electronic submission of all FFIEC 009 and 009a reports. The Federal Reserve Bank of New York currently collects and processes the FFIEC 009 and 009a reports on behalf of the three banking agencies via the Federal Reserve System’s “Reporting Central” Internet reporting application. The overall reporting functionality of “Reporting Central” allowing for a secure, technically advanced, and efficient data collection and processing system that encompasses a single point of entry, i.e., the FedLine® Web access solution, for electronic submission and file uploads.

Electronic submission via “Reporting Central” is designed to impose a minimal burden on banking institutions that file the FFIEC 009 and FFIEC 009a reports.

4. Efforts to Identify Duplication

Data submitted on the FFIEC 009 and the FFIEC 009a are unique in that they are used for supervising international risk exposures in U.S. banking institutions. The U.S. Treasury Department collects certain information from U.S. banking institutions in its Treasury International Capital (TIC) Form BC/BC(A) that may appear somewhat similar to the data collected on the FFIEC 009 and the FFIEC 009a. In general, the TIC report is required for any banking institution with aggregate dollar claims on foreigners of $50 million or more or dollar claims on foreigners in an individual foreign country of $25 million or more. However, the TIC form does not contain most of the items included in the Country Exposure Report that are considered necessary for supervisory and regulatory purposes. For example, the TIC form includes only dollar claims while the Country Exposure Report calls for inclusion of all claims in a country denominated in a currency external to that country. In addition, the TIC form does not collect information on exposures with a remaining maturity of one year or less, the reallocation of claims for guarantees, commitments to advance additional funds, and local currency assets and liabilities. Finally, the TIC form does not include claims on foreigners made at overseas offices of U.S. banking institutions. These limitations preclude the use of the Treasury information for banking institution supervisory purposes.

5. Minimizing the Burden on Small Entities

Banking institutions with aggregate international exposures of under $30 million do not have to report. Therefore, the FDIC has, in effect, eliminated virtually all small banks from this reporting requirement. Currently, only 15 institutions supervised by the FDIC are subject to the quarterly country exposure reporting requirements.

6. Consequence of Less Frequent Collection

Federal statute precludes less frequent collection and disclosure.

7. Special circumstances necessitating collection inconsistent with 5 CFR 1320.5(d)(2)

None. This information collection is conducted in accordance with the guidelines in 5 CFR 1320.5(d)(2).

8. Efforts to Consult with Persons Outside the Agency

The Country Exposure Report and Country Exposure Information Report are mandated by law; however, the FDIC and the other banking agencies communicate on a continuous basis with banking institutions required to complete the reports. The banking agencies also consult with trade associations and other government agencies on the reports.

On April 29, 2019, the agencies published an initial Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) notice in the Federal Register (84 FR 18120) requesting comment on a proposal to continue, without revision, the Country Exposure Report (FFIEC 009) and the Country Exposure Information Report (FFIEC 009a).

The agencies received one comment letter from a banking trade association. The commenter raised issues related to consistency in certain defined terms and reporting treatments between the FFIEC 009 and FFIEC 009a, and other information collections undertaken by the FFIEC, its member entities, and Treasury.

First, the commenter stated that, while the FFIEC 009 and FFIEC 009a instructions define domicile of counterparties on the basis of “country of incorporation or charter,” the definition is not uniform across all FFIEC and Board reports. This definition, while consistent with that used in some non-FFIEC reports (i.e., Treasury International Capital or “TIC” reports and the Board’s FR Y-15), is inconsistent with the terms “principal business address” and “country in which the obligor is headquartered” used in the Call Report[[1]](#footnote-1) as well as the Board’s FR Y-9C and FR Y-14Q. The agencies believe the definition of domicile using “country of incorporation or charter” provides a clearer basis for determination of domicile and a more consistent basis over time for the purposes of the FFIEC 009 and FFIEC 009a, which is designed to provide a more detailed and accurate view of cross-border country exposures than the other reports. Accordingly, the agencies propose to retain the “country of incorporation or charter” definition for reporting the domicile of counterparties in the FFIEC 009 and FFIEC 009a instructions.

Second, the commenter stated the FFIEC 009 and FFIEC 009a instructions, in defining financial institutions for sector reporting, include some different categories of institutions in the non-bank financial institutions sector when compared to three Board reports (FR Y-15, FR 2510, and FR Y-9C). The FFIEC 009 instructions specifically include private equity companies, finance companies, and mortgage companies along with other types of institutions in the definition of non-bank financial institutions, while the instructions for the Board’s FR Y-15 specifically exclude finance companies and do not mention private equity companies or mortgage companies in the definition of “financial institutions” used in specifying interconnectedness indicators (Schedule B).

The agencies note that the definition of non-bank financial institutions in the Board’s FR 2510 corresponds to the definition used in the FFIEC 009, and the definition of “non-depository financial institutions” used in the Board’s FR Y-9C (Schedule HC-C) includes finance companies, mortgage companies, and mortgage finance companies among other types of institutions. The agencies believe that private equity companies, finance companies, and mortgage companies are meaningful components of the non-bank financial sector for purposes of the FFIEC 009 and that collected data on exposures to these types of companies would be less useful if included together with the corporate sector. The agencies also note that it is important for data collected in the FFIEC 009 to be comparable to data gathered for the same purpose by other jurisdictions, so that these data can be combined by the Bank for International Settlements (BIS) into meaningful global aggregate statistical data that are issued as the BIS Consolidated Banking Statistics (CBS); these aggregate data are relied upon by FFIEC member entities (including the agencies) and many others to monitor and analyze global banking and financial conditions. The definition in the FFIEC 009 instructions of these types of companies as non-bank financial companies conforms with the definition under the CBS. Therefore, the agencies will retain the definition of non-bank financial sector that includes these types of companies.

Third, the commenter stated that, as a result of a recent change in U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), the FFIEC 009 and FFIEC 009a would collect operating lease liabilities without capturing corresponding operating lease assets. The commenter considered this treatment to be inappropriately asymmetric and recommended that operating lease liabilities be excluded from reporting on Schedule L of the FFIEC 009. The agencies agree that operating lease right-of-use assets should properly be excluded from reporting on the FFIEC 009, like other fixed assets, but believes that operating lease liabilities are now reportable as liabilities under GAAP, and thus should be included in foreign liabilities for purposes of the FFIEC 009. Unlike financial-statement collections such as the Call Report or the Board’s FR Y-9C, the FFIEC 009 is designed to collect additional detail for specific types of claims and liabilities and not to reflect a comprehensive and symmetric balance sheet. Therefore, the agencies propose to not exclude operating lease liabilities from Schedule L of the FFIEC 009.

Fourth, the commenter noted that Schedule L of the FFIEC 009 requires reporting of short sales by country of the counterparty to which the foreign office owes delivery until the settlement date. The commenter believed this treatment to be inconsistent with the corresponding treatment in the Board’s FR 2510, which provides that the immediate counterparty country and sector for short sale contracts are those of the issuer of the financial instrument that has been sold short. The commenter recommended that the reporting of short sales in Schedule L of the FFIEC 009 should be revised to conform with the treatment provided in the Board’s FR 2510. The agencies also note that the reporting of short sales in the Board’s FR 2510 is consistent with the BIS guidelines for reporting CBS data (“CBS Guidelines”).[[2]](#footnote-2) Therefore, the agencies agree with the commenter and propose to revise the instructions for Schedule L so that reporting of short sales is based on the immediate counterparty and sector of the issuer rather than that of the counterparty to the short-sale transaction.

Fifth, the commenter noted a difference in treatment between the FFIEC 009 and U.S. GAAP for netting trading assets against trading liabilities in the same security (i.e., Committee on Uniform Security Identification Procedures (CUSIP) netting) and stated that changing the FFIEC 009 instructions to align with netting under U.S. GAAP would reduce the burden on banking organizations required to report the FFIEC 009. To address this concern, the commenter recommended that CUSIP netting for purposes of the FFIEC 009 be aligned with netting permitted under U.S. GAAP to simplify the currently required operational and reconciliation processes. The agencies believe that aligning CUSIP netting with U.S. GAAP for country exposure reporting would potentially distort such reporting in cases in which the office holding the position, the issuer of the underlying security, and the counterparty to the short position are not the same. The agencies also note that it is important for data collected in the FFIEC 009 to be comparable to data gathered for the same purpose by other jurisdictions, so that these data can be combined by the BIS into meaningful global aggregate statistical data as the CBS. Aligning CUSIP netting with U.S. GAAP for country exposure reporting by U.S. banking organizations in the FFIEC 009 would create a key inconsistency between U.S. data and data provided by other jurisdictions which adhere to International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) because IFRS does not allow for CUSIP netting. Therefore, the agencies propose to retain the current, more limited use of CUSIP netting described in the FFIEC 009 instructions.

Finally, the commenter suggested that items to be excluded under Schedule C and Schedule L of the FFIEC 009 should be more specifically identified and the list of exclusions should be expanded. The commenter recommended that certain cross-border claims (i.e., bank-owned or company-owned life insurance, deferred tax assets, physical commodities held in inventory, initial margin, pension assets, and cash in vault) should be excluded from Schedule C of the FFIEC 009 and that deferred tax liabilities should be excluded from Schedule L.

As a general matter, the agencies believe that the decision to include or exclude items as in Schedule C of the FFIEC 009 should be based on whether the items represent financial claims (or, for Schedule L, foreign office financial liabilities) in order to provide a proper and meaningful basis for the agencies to analyze country exposure, and should be consistent with the CBS Guidelines in order that data collected in the FFIEC 009 and FFIEC 009a would be comparable with data being provided to CBS by other jurisdictions.

In this context, the agencies agree with the commenter that bank-owned and company-owned life insurance, physical commodities held in inventory, and pension assets should not be considered financial claims for purposes of the FFIEC 009 and FFIEC 009a. Therefore, the agencies propose to revise the instructions to exclude these items from reporting in the FFIEC 009 and FFIEC 009a by adding them to the list of “Exclude” items in section II.A of the instructions to the FFIEC 009. The agencies do not agree with the commenter with regard to initial margin because the agencies believe that initial margin represents a financial claim like others related to derivatives. The agencies therefore propose that initial margin should continue to be reported as part of derivative claims in Schedule D.

The agencies believe that cash in vault represents a financial claim and, moreover, that this claim is subject to transfer risk, an important element of the risks that may be associated with cross-border financial claims. As a result, the agencies do not agree with the commenter and propose that cash in vault should continue to be reported in the FFIEC 009 and FFIEC 009a.

Finally, the agencies do not agree with the commenter that deferred tax assets and liabilities are not financial claims. In addition, the agencies note that deferred tax assets and liabilities are specifically identified in the CBS Guidelines as reportable claims (liabilities). Therefore, the agencies propose to retain the current inclusion of deferred tax assets and liabilities among reportable items in the FFIEC 009 and FFIEC 009a.

To provide sufficient time for respondents to make any changes to their reporting systems that may be needed to reflect the agencies’ proposed instructional revisions discussed above, the agencies will permit respondents to file the FFIEC 009 and FFIEC 009a for the periods ending September 30, 2019, and December 31, 2019, using either the existing definitions or the revised definitions for the items discussed above.

9. Payment or Gift to Respondents

There are no payments or gifts to respondents.

10. Any Assurance of Confidentiality

Individual banking institution information reported on the FFIEC 009 report is considered exempt from public disclosure under the FOIA (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4) and (b)(8)). However, U.S. banking system aggregates are made available to the public by the banking agencies and through the FFIEC. The FFIEC 009a report is available to the public on an individual banking institution basis.

11. Justification for Questions of a Sensitive Nature

No information of a sensitive nature is required.

12. Estimate of Hour Burden Including Annualized Hourly Costs

*Estimated Annual Burden Hours*

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| **Information Collection (IC) Description** | Type of Burden | Obligation to Respond | Estimated Number of Respondents | Estimated Number of Responses | Estimated Time per Response(Hours) | Frequency of Response | Total Estimated Annual Burden(Hours) |
| *Country Exposure Report (FFIEC Form 009)* | Reporting | Mandatory | 15 | 4 | 131 | Quarterly | 7,860 |
| *Country Exposure Information Report (FFIEC Form 009a)* | Reporting | Mandatory | 12 | 4 | 6 | Quarterly | 288 |
| **Total Estimated Annual Burden Hours**  | **8,148** |

The annual reporting burden on FDIC-supervised respondents is estimated to be 8,148 hours on an ongoing basis. This estimate reflects the average ongoing reporting burden for all FDIC-supervised institutions that are required to file the FFIEC 009 and FFIEC 009s reports. This estimate is based on 15 respondents submitting the FFIEC 009 report quarterly, which requires an estimated average of 131 hours to prepare, and 12 respondents submitting the FFIEC 009a report quarterly, which requires an estimated average of 6 hours to prepare.

*Annualized Hourly Costs*

FDIC estimated the total burden cost for this information collection[[3]](#footnote-3) using the May 2017 75th percentile hourly wages published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) National Industry-Specific Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates for five occupations in the depository credit intermediation sector that are relevant to this information collection. Then wages were weighted for these five occupations according to the agency’s estimated allocation of labor which are different for the 009 form and the 009a form as shown in the tables below.

The hourly wage rates published by BLS do not include non-monetary compensation. According to the December 2018 Employer Cost of Employee Compensation data, compensation rates for health and other benefits are 33.7 percent of total compensation. To estimate the total hourly compensation rate, FDIC adjusted the hourly wage rates reported by BLS using changes in the Consumer Price Index for Urban Consumers (CPI-U) from May 2017 to December 2018 (3.59%) to account for inflation and ensure that the wage information is contemporaneous with the non-monetary compensation statistic. The inflation adjusted wages were grossed up by 56.2 percent to include non-monetary compensation. After calculating these adjustments, the estimated total hourly compensation rates are as follows:

**FFIEC 009 Form**

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| **Category of Personnel Responsible for Complying with Information Collection Requirements** | **Estimated Hourly Compensation[[4]](#footnote-4)** | **Estimated Weights** | **Estimated Weighted Hourly Compensation** |
| Chief Executives[[5]](#footnote-5) (111011) | $157.79 | 15% | $23.67 |
| Lawyers[[6]](#footnote-6) (231000) | $156.07 | 5% | $7.80 |
| Financial Managers (113031) | $111.86 | 25% | $27.97 |
| Bookkeeping, Accounting and Auditing Clerks (433031) | $35.98 | 35% | $12.59 |
| Financial Risk Specialists (132054) | $73.40 | 20% | $14.68 |
| **Total Estimated Weighted Average Hourly Compensation Rate (Form 009)** | 100% | **$86.71** |

**FFIEC 009a Form**

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| **Category of Personnel Responsible for Complying with Information Collection Requirements** | **Estimated Hourly Compensation[[7]](#footnote-7)** | **Estimated Weights** | **Estimated Weighted Hourly Compensation** |
| Chief Executives[[8]](#footnote-8) (111011) | $157.79 | 10% | $15.78 |
| Lawyers[[9]](#footnote-9) (231000) | $156.07 | 5% | $7.80 |
| Financial Managers (113031) | $111.86 | 20% | $22.37 |
| Bookkeeping, Accounting and Auditing Clerks (433031) | $35.98 | 65% | $23.39 |
| Financial Risk Specialists (132054) | $73.40 | 0% | $0.00 |
| **Total Estimated Weighted Average Hourly Compensation Rate (Form 009a)** | 100% | **$69.34** |

Using the estimated total estimated annual burden hours (7,860) and the estimated hourly compensation rates for each form as shown in the above tables, the total estimated annual dollar cost burden for the information collection is $701, 511.

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| Information Collection Requirement | Estimated Weighted Hourly Compensation | Estimated Annual Burden (Hours) | Estimated Weighted Hourly Compensation |
| *Country Exposure Report (FFIEC Form 009)* | $86.71 | 7,860 | $681,541 |
| *Country Exposure Information Report (FFIEC Form 009a)* | $69.34 | 288 | $19,970 |
| **Total Estimated Annual Cost Burden** | **$701,511** |

13. Estimate of Annualized Costs to Respondents

None.

14. Estimates of Annualized Costs to the Government

None.

15. Analysis of Change in Burden

There is no change in the method or substance of this information collection. The agencies are not proposing to revise the country exposure information required to be reported on the FFIEC 009 or the FFIEC 009a reporting forms. The change in burden is due solely to a decrease in the estimated number of respondents. The agencies are revising the instructions to FFIEC Form 009 in response to a comment suggesting that bank-owned and company-owned life insurance, physical commodities held in inventory, and pension assets should not be considered financial claims for purposes of the FFIEC 009 and FFIEC 009a reports. The instructions to FFIEC Form 009 are being revised by adding the above to the list of “Exclude” items in section II.A of the instructions to the FFIEC 009. This revision is not expected to have any effect on reporting burden.

16. Information Regarding Collections Whose Results are Planned to be Published for Statistical Use

Certain aggregate data reported in the FFIEC 009 report are made available to the public by the FFIEC in a quarterly Statistical Release. This aggregate information is available to banks, government agencies, and the public. The quarterly FFIEC 009a report is available to the public on an individual banking institution basis. The Statistical Release and individual institutions’ FFIEC 009a reports can be accessed at <https://www.ffiec.gov/E16.htm>.

17. Exceptions to Display of Expiration Date

None.

18. Exceptions to Certification Statement

None.

B. STATISTICAL METHODS

Not applicable.

1. The Consolidated Reports of Condition and Income, also referred to as the FFIEC 031, FFIEC 041, and FFIEC 051 reports. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. BIS, Monetary and Economic Department, Reporting guidelines for the BIS international banking statistics (July 2019) available at <https://www.bis.org/statistics/bankstatsguide.pdf>. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. The hourly wage estimate will be adjusted from 2016 ICR to account for total compensation (i.e. health and other benefits) and inflation. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics – “National Industry-Specific Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates: Depository Credit Intermediation Sector (May 2017), Employer Cost of Employee Compensation (December 2018), Consumer Price Index (December 2018). The 75th percentile wage information reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) in the Specific Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates does not include health benefits and other non-monetary benefits. According to the December 2018 Employer Cost of Employee Compensation data, compensation rates for health and other benefits are 33.7 percent of total compensation. Additionally, the wage has been adjusted for inflation according to BLS data on the Consumer Price Index for Urban Consumers (CPI-U) so that it is contemporaneous with the non-wage compensation statistic. The inflation rate was 3.59 percent between May 2017 and December 2018. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. The 75th percentile wage for Chief Executives (111011) was not available. The mean wage was used as a proxy. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
6. The 75th percentile wage for Lawyers (231011) is not available, thus occupation (SOC Code): Lawyers, Judges, and Related Workers (231000) has been used as a proxy. [↑](#footnote-ref-6)
7. See, footnote 4. [↑](#footnote-ref-7)
8. See, footnote 5. [↑](#footnote-ref-8)
9. See, footnote 6. [↑](#footnote-ref-9)