


PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT CHANGE WORKSHEET

2019–20 National Postsecondary Student Aid Study (NPSAS:20) COVID-19 Update
Change Request

Agency/Subagency U.S. Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences		OMB Control Number 1850-0666 v.29
Enter only items that change		
	Current Record	New Record
Agency form number(s)	NA	NA
Annual reporting and record keeping hour burden		
Number of respondent	105,214	105,214
Total annual responses	111,614	111,614
Percent of these responses collected electronically	100%	100%
Total annual hours	131,801	131,801
Difference	0	
Explanation of difference		
Program change	0	
Adjustment	0	
Annual reporting and record keeping cost burden (in thousands of dollars)		
Total annualized capital/startup costs	NA	NA
Total annual costs (O&M)	NA	NA
Total annualized cost requested	NA	NA
Difference	NA	
Explanation of difference		
Program change	NA	
Adjustment	NA	
Other change**		
<p>The National Postsecondary Student Aid Study (NPSAS), conducted by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), part of the U.S. Department of Education, is a cross-sectional study that examines how students and their families pay for education after high school. The fundamental purpose of NPSAS is to create a research data set that brings together information about a variety of programs for a large sample of undergraduate and graduate students. NPSAS provides the data for comprehensive descriptions of the undergraduate and graduate student populations in terms of their demographic characteristics, academic programs, types of institutions attended, attendance patterns, and employment. NPSAS is conducted by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) and was first implemented during the 1986–87 academic year and has been fielded every 2 to 4 years since. The 11th cycle in the NPSAS series, NPSAS:20, will be conducted during the 2019–20 academic year and will be both nationally- and state-representative of undergraduate and graduate students, and a nationally-representative sample of first-time beginning students (FTBs). It will further serve as the base year data collection for the 2020 cohort of the Beginning Postsecondary Students Longitudinal Study (BPS:20), a study of first-time beginning postsecondary students that will be conducted three years (BPS:20/22) and six years (BPS:20/25) after beginning their postsecondary education. The request to conduct all activities related to NPSAS:20 was approved by OMB including the latest change request in January 2020 (OMB#1859-0666 v.25-27). The NPSAS:20 enrollment list collection from institutions takes place from October 2019 through July 2020, the student records collection will take place from March through November 2020, and the student survey data collection will take place from February (upon OMB approval) through early December 2020.</p> <p>This request includes revisions to the student records instrument and the student interview to include items pertaining to widespread postsecondary education changes in response to the national reaction to the COVID-19 virus outbreak, as well as revisions to a limited set of communication materials in order to acknowledge the pandemic and its effect on postsecondary staff and students. In addition, communications were updated to include instructions if a sample member wishes to receive their \$10 prepaid incentive (offered to Group 1 / Phase 2 sample members) via check instead of PayPal. This request also updates the scripts for the Postsecondary Data Portal student records instructional videos. This request does not introduce changes to the estimated respondent burden or the costs to the federal government.</p>		
Signature of Senior Official or designee: 	Date: April 8, 2020	For OIRA Use _____

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