#### **SUPPORTING STATEMENT B**

# U.S. Department of Commerce U.S. Census Bureau Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (LEHD) OMB Control No. 0607-1001

# **B. Collections of Information Employing Statistical Methods**

#### 1. Universe and Respondent Selection

The LEHD program does not directly collect the information gathered by the participating states and associated Federal agencies. As such, it would not be possible to clearly determine the number of individual respondents who have provided the required data. However, the following table describes the input data sets that are used:

File	Source	Delivery Schedule
American Housing Survey (AHS)	Census Bureau	Yearly
Business Dynamics Statistics (BDS)	Census Bureau	Quarterly
Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW)	Bureau of Labor Statistics	Quarterly
Current Population Survey (CPS)	Census Bureau	Yearly
Federal Workers	Office of Personnel Management	Quarterly
Geographic Reference File	Census Bureau	Yearly
Master Address File Extract	Census Bureau	Yearly
New Business Register	Census Bureau	Yearly
Geographic Database*	Pitney Bowes Corporation	Quarterly
Composite Person Record	Census Bureau	Yearly
Master Address File Auxiliary Reference File	Census Bureau	Yearly
Residence Candidate File	Census Bureau	Yearly

File	Source	Delivery Schedule
Survey of Income and Program Participation	Census Bureau	Yearly
Topologically Integrated Geographic Encoding and Referencing	Census Bureau	Yearly
Unemployment Insurance Wage File	State Partners	Quarterly
Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (ES-202)	State Partners	Quarterly
WIB Definitions files	State Partners	Acquired as needed

<sup>\*</sup>Note: Database is included with application used for generating data products

#### 2. Procedures for Collecting Information

The collection of data occurs in accordance with the rules established by a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with each member of the Local Employment Dynamics (LED) partnership. This partnership was established to allow for the collection of required data from each of the states and the governance of how is to be sent and used.

For state partners, their data is submitted directly using security File Transfer Protocol (FTP) to the Census secure servers where Personally Identifiable Information (PII) goes through a process to replace it with Protected Identification Keys (PIK). This "PIKing" process also applies to all other administrative data that are used by the LEHD program. For all other required administration data, they are transferred or referenced by the QWI production system. Data collection also includes activities such as validation of data quality.

#### 3. Methods to Maximize Response and Accounting for Nonresponse

To ensure maximum response (i.e., gaining access to required data sets), the LEHD program enters into MOUs with the state partners as well as data sharing agreements for use of other administrative data. It is through these agreements that the LEHD program gains access to as much of the required data as possible.

Recognizing the critical nature of the data provided by the state partners, the LEHD program actively promotes and participates in the LED partnership. This includes facilitating the monthly LED Steering Committee and hosting an annual workshop to promote use of the data and to provide a forum to educate others on its use.

## 4. Testing of Procedures or Methods

We believe that the methods employed by the LEHD program are the most efficient to gather all required data. However, the program continues to review and work to improve all processes followed in the gathering of required data.

### 5. Contacts for Statistical Aspects and Data Collection

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