

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Attestation for Employers Seeking To Employ H–2B Nonimmigrant Workers

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor (DOL) is submitting this Employment and Training Administration (ETA)-sponsored information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA). Public comments on the ICR are invited.

DATES: The OMB will consider all written comments that agency receives on or before December 6, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) if the information will be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) the accuracy of the agency’s estimates of the burden and cost of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (4) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (5) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mara Blumenthal by telephone at 202–693–8538, or by email at DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This information collection request supports the Temporary Rule: Exercise of Time-Limited Authority to Increase the Fiscal Year 2021 Numerical Limitation for the H–2B Temporary Nonagricultural Worker Program and Portability Flexibility for H–2B Workers Seeking to Change Employers, promulgated by the Department of Labor and the Department of Homeland Security

(DHS). The regulatory requirements are codified at 8 CFR part 214 and 20 CFR part 655. The ICR originally included a form, Attestation for Employers Seeking to Employ H–2B Nonimmigrant Workers under Section 105 of Division O of the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, Form ETA–9142–B–CAA–4 (Form ETA–9142–B–CAA–4). The Form ETA–9142–B–CAA–4 is no longer in use as the supplemental cap was reached on August 13, 2021, as announced by DHS on August 19, 2021; thus employers no longer need to complete the attestation for submission to DHS. As a result, the only remaining requirement for participating H–2B employers is to comply with record keeping requirements. For additional substantive information about this ICR, see the related notice published in the **Federal Register** on May 25, 2021 (86 FR 28198).

This information collection is subject to the PRA. A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless the OMB approves it and displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information that does not display a valid OMB Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6.

DOL seeks PRA authorization for this information collection for three (3) years. OMB authorization for an ICR cannot be for more than three (3) years without renewal. The DOL notes that information collection requirements submitted to the OMB for existing ICRs receive a month-to-month extension while they undergo review.

Agency: DOL–ETA.

Title of Collection: Attestation for Employers Seeking to Employ H–2B Nonimmigrant Workers.

OMB Control Number: 1205–0547.

Affected Public: Private Sector—Businesses or other for-profits and not-for-profit institutions.

Total Estimated Number of Respondents: 3,558.

Total Estimated Number of Responses: 3,558.

Total Estimated Annual Time Burden: 890 hours.

Total Estimated Annual Other Costs Burden: \$0.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3507(a)(1)(D).

Dated: October 29, 2021.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; National Compensation Survey

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor (DOL) is submitting this Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS)-sponsored information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA). Public comments on the ICR are invited.

DATES: The OMB will consider all written comments that agency receives on or before December 6, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) if the information will be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) the accuracy of the agency’s estimates of the burden and cost of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (4) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (5) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mara Blumenthal by telephone at 202–693–8538, or by email at DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Compensation Survey (NCS) is an ongoing survey of earnings and benefits among private firms, State, and local government. Data from the NCS program include estimates of wages covering broad groups of related occupations, and data that directly links benefit plan costs with detailed plan provisions. BLS is seeking approval to increase the NCS sample size for Fiscal Years 2022 and 2023 to mitigate against the impacts of pandemic related non-

response on survey estimates and ensure a sufficient number of units are collected to calculate the Employment Cost Index. The new sample size would only take effect upon OMB approval. For additional substantive information about this ICR, see the related notice published in the **Federal Register** on June 11, 2020 (85 FR 35667).

This information collection is subject to the PRA. A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless the OMB approves it and displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information that does not display a valid OMB Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6. DOL seeks authorization for this information collection under OMB Control Number 1220-0164. The current approval is scheduled to expire on May 31, 2024.

Agency: DOL-BLS.

Title of Collection: National Compensation Survey.

OMB Control Number: 1220-0164.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions; State, local, and tribal government.

Total Estimated Number of Respondents: 16,995.

Total Estimated Number of Responses: 45,270.

Total Estimated Annual Time Burden: 36,114 hours.

Total Estimated Annual Other Costs Burden: \$0.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3507(a)(1)(D).

Dated: November 1, 2021.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Evaluation of the Pathway Home Grant Program, New Collection

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy, Chief Evaluation Office, Department of Labor.

ACTION: Notice of Information Collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor (DOL), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the

general public and federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95). This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents is properly assessed. Currently, the Department of Labor is soliciting comments concerning the collection of data for the Evaluation of the Pathway Home Grant Program. A copy of the proposed Information Collection Request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the addressee section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addressee section below on or before January 3, 2022.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by either one of the following methods: *Email:* ChiefEvaluationOffice@dol.gov; *Mail or Courier:* Jessica Lohmann, Chief Evaluation Office, OASP, U.S. Department of Labor, Room S-2312, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20210. *Instructions:* Please submit one copy of your comments by only one method. All submissions received must include the agency name and OMB Control Number identified above for this information collection. Comments, including any personal information provided, become a matter of public record. They will also be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of the information collection request.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jessica Lohmann by email at ChiefEvaluationOffice@dol.gov or by phone at (202) 693-5087.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. *Background:* The Chief Evaluation Office (CEO) of the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) intends to conduct an evaluation of the DOL-funded *Pathway Home* grant program, which aims to improve the ability of people in the justice system to find meaningful employment and avoid recidivism. The goal of this four-year evaluation is to build knowledge about the implementation of the *Pathway Home* grants and their effectiveness in improving employment and recidivism outcomes for adults reentering the community after incarceration.

The overall study has two components: (1) An implementation evaluation of the *Pathway Home* grants to describe program models and

services, partnerships, and participant characteristics; and (2) an impact evaluation to examine the effectiveness of the *Pathway Home* grants on participants' outcomes, such as credential attainment, employment and earnings, and ongoing criminal justice involvement. DOL will submit additional ICRs for future data collection requests for this study.

This **Federal Register** Notice provides the opportunity to comment on the following proposed data collection instruments that the evaluation will use:

1. *Baseline survey of study participants.* Survey of 2,500 impact study participants to collect basic demographic information.

2. *Survey of grant administrators.* Survey of approximately 67 grant administrators to collect program information.

3. *Survey of correctional facility administrators.* Survey of approximately 128 correctional facility partner administrators to collect information about correctional facility characteristics.

4. *Semi-structured interview guides for program and partner administrators and frontline staff.* Site visits to up to 16 *Pathway Home* grantee or subgrantee sites. These visits will last three days each. During these site visits, we will conduct one-on-one or small-group, semi-structured interviews with grant program administrators, partner administrators, and frontline staff.

5. *Focus group guide for pre-release program participants.* In-person focus group discussions with approximately 8 pre-release participants from each of approximately 16 sites.

6. *Semi-structured interview guide for post-release program participants.* In-person and telephone semi-structured interviews with approximately 8 post-release participants from each of approximately 16 sites.

II. *Desired Focus of Comments:*

Currently, DOL is soliciting comments on the above data collection for the *Pathway Home* grant program. DOL is particularly interested in comments that do the following:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's burden estimate of the proposed information collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other