

OMB Non-Substantive Change Request

Department: Commerce

Agency: U.S. Census Bureau

Title: Household Pulse Survey (HPS)

OMB Control Number: 0607-1013

The U.S. Census Bureau requests a non-substantive change to the currently approved HPS Information Collection Request. The Census Bureau last received a clearance for Phase 3.7, on December 9, 2022. We request approval for this change in time for the Phase 3.8 data collection, which begins March 1 and ends on March 13, 2023.

Background and Justification

The Household Pulse Survey was developed to address the need for timely insight into the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on American Households. As attention to the COVID-19 pandemic has shifted, we have shifted the content focus to other emergent issues. For Phase 3.8, content will remain essentially the same, with only non-substantive changes.

Data Collection

The following non-substantive changes will be made to the Phase 3.8 questionnaire.

1. **EMP1:** Move intro text from within EMP1 to above EMP1

Now we are going to ask about your employment.

EMP1 Have you, or has anyone in your household experienced a loss of employment income in the last 4 weeks? Select only one answer

2. **FD6:** Add “None of These” response option

Do you or does anyone in your household receive benefits from... Select all that apply.

- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Food Stamp Program
- WIC (Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children)
- *None of These*

3. **HLTH1 - HLTH4:** Moved intro text from within each item's text to above HLTH1

Over the last 2 weeks, how often have you been bothered by...

HLTH1 Feeling nervous, anxious, or on edge? Select only one answer.

- Not at all
- Several days
- More than half the days
- Nearly every day

HLTH2 Not being able to stop or control worrying? Select only one answer.

HLTH3 Having little interest or pleasure in doing things? Select only one answer.

HLTH4 Feeling down, depressed, or hopeless? Select only one answer.

4. **bestmethod:** Revise text to say, “Because we are interested in how *the social and economic effects of coronavirus and other emergent issues* change over time, we may contact you again in the coming weeks. What is the best way for us to contact you?”
5. **INF8** (Spanish Instrument): Remove the word “generalmente” from the end of the question. ¿Qué tipo de fórmula infantil toma el bebé?
6. **Final Screen:** Revise text to say, “Is there anything else related to the coronavirus pandemic *or other social and end economic issues* you would like to tell us?”
7. **Resources:** Add the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline
The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 988lifeline.org

Burden

There is no change in respondent burden hours associated with this request.