

MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL CENTER FOR EDUCATION STATISTICS

Institute of Education Sciences
United States Department of Education

Date: January 3, 2023
To: Bev Pratt, OMB
Through: Carrie Clarady, NCES
From: Mary Coleman, NCES
Re: TALIS 2024 Main Survey (OMB# 1850-0888 v.13) - changes from last approved 2024 Main Survey Questionnaires

OMB approved recruitment and pre-survey activities for the TALIS 2024 field test sample, administration of the field test, and school recruitment activities for the 2024 main survey in August 2022 (OMB# 1850-0888 v.8). In December 2022, OMB approved the international versions of the field test instruments (OMB#1850-0888 v.9) and the U.S. adapted field test questionnaires (OMB# 1850-0888 v.10). In May 2023, OMB approved an increase in the school sample size for the TALIS main survey (OMB#1850-0888 v.11). In December 2023, OMB approved the main survey instruments (OMB#1850-0888 v.12).

TALIS 2024 includes the core TALIS teacher and principal questionnaires that are required for each participating country, as well as a new and optional Teacher Knowledge Survey (TKS). The purpose of the TKS is to better understand the teacher pedagogical knowledge base at the national level. The goal is to use results from the TKS to understand the extent to which teachers are prepared with the knowledge and skills for 21st century teaching (e.g., using technology in instruction, teaching in diverse classroom environments, and using modern pedagogical approaches). The U.S. included the TKS in the TALIS 2024 field test and will include TKS as part of the U.S. main study. The TKS is a new and proprietary instrument and will not be published for public comment as part of the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) review process.

This request is for approval of five changes made to the previously approved TALIS 2024 main survey instruments (OMB#1850-0888 v.12). Table 1 summarizes the changes to Appendix B, while Table 2 summarizes the changes to the proprietary and unpublished TKS instruments (submitted under separate cover). In addition, small changes were made to Part A and are detailed below.

Part A

We have revised Part A to include the last approved OMB package (OMB#1850-0888 v.12).

~~To meet the international data collection schedule for the main study, U.S. recruitment activities need to begin by June 2023 and U.S. questionnaires must be finalized by December 2023.~~

The previous submission (OMB #1850-0888 v.8) requested approval for: (1) recruitment and pre-survey activities for the 2023 field test sample; (2) administration of the field test; and (3) school recruitment and pre-survey activities for the 2024 main study sample. That package was approved in August 2022. OMB approved the international versions of the field test instruments (OMB#1850-0888 v.9) and the final U.S. versions of the field test instruments (OMB#1850-0888 v.10) in December 2022. In May 2023, OMB approved an increase in the school sample size for the TALIS main study (OMB#1850-

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~~Field test recruitment materials, including letters to state and district officials and school principals, the text for a TALIS field test brochure, summary of activities, “frequently asked questions,” and the text for the teacher invitation email are provided in Appendix A-1. A similar set of Main study recruitment materials are provided in Appendix A-2.~~

Appendix B - Questionnaire Items and Forms

Appendix B contains the revised national versions of the TALIS Main Survey Core Principal and Teacher Surveys. TKS items are not available for public distribution and therefore the questionnaire forms are not included in Appendix B; TKS instruments are provided by email to OMB for review.

Table 1. Summary of changes to OMB-Approved TALIS Main Survey instruments

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TKS - Questionnaire Items and Forms

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Table 2. Summary of changes to OMB-Approved TALIS TKS instruments

1.	Item 35 from the teacher questionnaire was also added to all four TKS forms.	<p>How many students are currently in this <u>target class</u>?</p> <p><i>Please enter a number.</i></p> <p><input type="text"/></p>
Reason for change: IEA originally removed this item after the field trial. At the request of countries, they added the item back to the instrument on Nov. 21.		
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