

1SUPPORTING STATEMENT
U.S. Department of Commerce
U.S. Census Bureau
Generic Clearance for Emergency Economic Information Collections
OMB Control No. 0607-1019

PART B: Collections of Information Employing Statistical Methods

1. Universe and Respondent Selection

In cases where Emergency Economic Information Collection (EEIC) questions are added to existing business surveys, please refer to the most recently approved ICR for each survey detailing information about the universe and respondent selection. A description of any changes to the universe and respondent selection for an EEIC will be included in the Request for EEIC submitted to OMB in advance of the collection. In the case of any new survey conducted under this generic clearance, this information will be included in the Request for EEIC submitted to OMB in advance of the collection.

2. Procedures for Collecting Information

In cases where EEIC questions are added to existing business surveys, please refer to the most recently approved ICR for each survey detailing information about procedures for collecting the information. A description of any changes to the procedures for collecting the information for an EEIC will be included in the Request for EEIC submitted to OMB in advance of the collection. In the case of any new survey conducted under this generic clearance, this information will be included in the Request for EEIC submitted to OMB in advance of the collection.

3. Methods to Maximize Response

In cases where EEIC questions are added to existing business surveys, please refer to the most recently approved ICR for each survey detailing information about methods to maximize response. A description of any changes to the methods to maximize response for an EEIC will be included in the Request for EEIC submitted to OMB in advance of the collection. In the case of any new survey conducted under this generic clearance, this information will be included in the Request for EEIC submitted to OMB in advance of the collection.

4. Tests of Procedures or Methods

All questions in the Question Bank will go through pre-testing, following best statistical practice. In cases where circumstances do not afford time necessary to complete full pre-testing for new or revised content prior to fielding, at a minimum, all new and revised content will undergo expert review, and parallel testing will occur, unless the Census Bureau and OMB agree that parallel

testing is not required. Additionally, responses will be evaluated for quality, as described in the Request for EEIC.

Information about planned tests and evaluations will be included in the Request for EEIC submitted to OMB in advance of the collection.

5. Contacts for Statistical Aspects and Data Collection

Contact information will be included in the Request for EEIC submitted to OMB in advance of the collection. Katie Genadek, Acting Chief Economic Statistical Methods Division has overall responsibility for the EEIC generic clearance.

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

- A. Question Bank
- B. Round 2 Cognitive Testing Report
- C. Template for EEIC Request
- D. Legal Authorities