PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT CHANGE WORKSHEET

2023–24 National Postsecondary Student Aid Study (NPSAS:24) Shorter versus Longer Emails, Data Collection Pause, and Incentive Boost for Key Sample Groups Change Request

Agency/Subagency U.S. Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences		OMB Control Number 1850-0666 v.38
Agency form number(s)	NA	NA
Annual reporting and record keeping hour burden		
Number of respondent	109,145	109,145
Total annual responses	109,145	109,145
Percent of these responses collected electronically	100%	100%
Total annual hours	91,185	91,185
Difference		0
Explanation of difference		
Program change		0
Adjustment		0
Annual reporting and record keeping cost burden (in thousands of dollars)		
Total annualized capital/startup costs	NA	NA
Total annual costs (O&M)	NA	NA
Total annualized cost requested	NA	NA
Difference		NA
Explanation of difference		
Program change		NA
Adjustment		NA

Other changes**

The 2023-24 National Postsecondary Student Aid Study (NPSAS:24) is a nationally representative cross-sectional study of how students and their families finance education beyond high school in a given academic year. NPSAS is conducted by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) and was first implemented by NCES during the 1986–87 academic year and has been fielded every 3 to 4 years since. This request pertains to the 12th cycle in the NPSAS series being conducted during the 2023–24 academic year. NPSAS:24 will consist of a nationally representative sample of undergraduate and graduate students, and a nationally representative sample of bachelor's degree completers. Subsets of questions in the NPSAS:24 student survey focus on describing aspects of the experience of bachelor's completers in their last year of postsecondary education.

The request is to conduct all activities related to NPSAS:24, including materials and procedures related to the NPSAS:24 student data collection, consisting of abstraction of student data from institutions and a student survey was approved by OMB in December 2023, with updates approved in January 2024 (OMB#1859-0666 v. 36 and 37, respectively). The NPSAS:24 enrollment list collection from institutions takes place from October 2023 to October 2024, the student records and student survey data collections take place from February 2024 through November 2024.

This request is to (1) test experimentally a modification of a subset of prompting emails; (2) define the schedule for planned "no contact" periods; and (3) share the results of logistic regression modeling to determine whether or not a \$10 boost offered to historically underrepresented student subgroups will increase their likelihood of participation in the survey. We have also added language to Supporting Statement Part A to inform OMB of NCES's plans for NPSAS with respect to the newly revised SPD 15 standards for race and ethnicity data. This request does not introduce significant changes to the estimated respondent burden or the costs to the federal government.

Signature of Senior Official or designee:	Date:	For OIRA Use
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