# NVUM Survey question changes FY2025

## Basic form

**Q11 (Recreation Activities)**

*Old: In which of the following activities have you participated or will you participate during this National Forest visit?*

* *Fishing-all types*
* *Hunting-all types*
* *Viewing/photographing wildlife, birds, fish, etc.*
* *Viewing/photographing natural features, scenery, flowers, etc.*
* *Visiting historic and prehistoric sites/areas*
* *Nature study*
* *Visiting a nature center, nature trail or visitor center*
* *Hiking or walking*
* *Horseback riding*
* *Bicycling, including mountain bikes*
* *Non-motorized water travel (canoe, sailing, raft, etc.)*
* *Downhill skiing or snowboarding*
* *Cross-country skiing, snowshoeing*
* *Other non-motorized activities(swimming, games, and sports)*
* *Driving for pleasure on roads (Paved, gravel or dirt)*
* *Riding in designated off-road vehicle areas or on motorized trails*
* *Recreational and target shooting*
* *Snowmobile travel*
* *Motorized water travel (boats, ski sleds, etc.)*
* *Other motorized activities (endure events, games, plane, etc.)*
* *Camping in developed sites (family or group sites)*
* *Primitive camping (motorized)*
* *Backpacking, camping in unroaded areas*
* *Resorts, cabins, or other accommodations on FS managed lands(private or FS)*
* *Gathering mushrooms, berries, firewood, Christmas trees, or other natural products*
* *Relaxing, hanging out, escaping heat, noise, etc.*
* *Picnicking and family day gatherings in developed sites (family or group)*
* *OTHER (fill in activity below)*

New: In which of the following activities have you participated or will you participate during this National Forest visit?

* Fishing-all types
* Hunting-all types
* Viewing/photographing wildlife, birds, fish, etc.
* Viewing/photographing natural features, scenery, flowers, etc.
* Visiting historic and prehistoric sites/areas
* Nature study
* Visiting a nature center, nature trail or visitor center
* Hiking or walking
* Horseback riding
* Bicycling, including mountain bikes
* E-bikes
* Non-motorized water travel (canoe, sailing, raft, etc.)
* Downhill skiing or snowboarding
* Cross-country skiing, snowshoeing
* Other non-motorized activities(swimming, games, and sports)
* Driving for pleasure on roads (Paved, gravel or dirt)
* Riding in designated off-road vehicle areas or on motorized trails
* Recreational and target shooting
* Snowmobile travel
* Motorized water travel (boats, ski sleds, etc.)
* Other motorized activities (endure events, games, plane, etc.)
* Camping in developed sites (family or group sites)
* Primitive camping (motorized)
* Backpacking, camping in unroaded areas
* Resorts, cabins, or other accommodations on FS managed lands(private or FS)
* Gathering mushrooms, berries, firewood, Christmas trees, or other natural products
* Relaxing, hanging out, escaping heat, noise, etc.
* Picnicking and family day gatherings in developed sites (family or group)
* Rock Climbing
* OTHER (fill in activity below)

**Q25 (Demographics)**

*Updated: Now I would like to collect age and sex information on everyone in your group. (Record everyone in group. If more than 4 people, do 1st four with most recent birthday)*

* *Male*
* *Female*

**Q26 and Q27 (Demographics)**

*Old: Listed as two separate questions, as per previous OMB guidance.*

*Are you? Select one:*

* *Hispanic or Latino(a)*
* *Not Hispanic or Latino(a)*
* *Refused*

*With which racial group(s) do you most closely identify? Select all that apply:*

* *American Indian/Alaskan Native*
* *Asian*
* *Black/African American*
* *Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander*
* *White*
* *Refused*

New: Combined into one question, as per recent [OMB guidance](https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2024-03-29/pdf/2024-06469.pdf). Changed to ask of all group members.

We request an OIRA exemption to use the format of Race and Ethnicity Question with Minimum Categories Only and Examples (Figure 2), as shown below. Because the National Visitor Use Monitoring data is collected using a sample of respondents, most of whom have historically identified as being in the White category, it is expected that the number of responses in the detailed categories would not be sufficient to report the data from the detailed check boxes. Therefore, the agency feels that the potential benefit of the detailed data does not justify the additional burden on the public of reading through the additional check box options.

I would like to collect race and ethnicity information on everyone in your group. *(Record everyone in group. If more than 4 people, do 1st four with most recent birthday)*

With which racial or ethnic group(s) do you most closely identify? Select all that apply:

* American Indian or Alaskan Native *For example, Navajo Nation, Blackfeet Tribe of the Blackfeet Indian Nation of Montana, Native Village of Barrow Inupiat Traditional Government, Nome Eskimo Community, Aztec, Maya, etc.*
* Asian *For example, Chinese, Asian Indian, Filipino, Vietnamese, Korean, Japanese, etc.*
* Black or African American *For example, African American, Jamaican, Haitian, Nigerian, Ethiopian, Somali, etc.*
* Hispanic or Latino(a) *For example, Mexican, Puerto Rican, Salvadoran, Cuban, Dominican, Guatemalan, etc.*
* Middle Eastern or North African *For example, Lebanese, Iranian, Egyptian, Syrian, Iraqi, Israeli, etc.*
* Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander *For example, Native Hawaiian, Samoan, Chamorro, Tongan, Fijian, Marshallese, etc.*
* White *For example, English, German, Irish, Italian, Polish, Scottish, etc.*
* Refused

**NEW Question (Demographics)**

Are you or is anyone in your group a Veteran?

* Yes
* No
* Refused

**NEW Question (Special Uses)**

Have you or anyone in your group utilized commercial recreation services while on the national forest such as an outfitter guide or resort?

* Yes
* No
* Refused

### economics Form

**No requested revisions**

### satisfaction Form

**No requested revisions**

### Other Changes

Full translation of the digital survey into Spanish.