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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Census Bureau

### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; High-Frequency Surveys Program/Household Trends and Outlook Pulse Survey (HTOPS)

On July 22, 2024, the Department of Commerce received clearance from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 to conduct Phase 4.2 of the Household Pulse Survey (OMB No. 0607–1029, Exp. 01/31/27) and on July 12, 2024, clearance was received to conduct the tenth, eleventh, and twelfth Census Household Panel topical operations (OMB No. 0607–1025, Exp. 6/30/26). Clearance for the Household Trends and Outlook Pulse Survey (HTOPS) recruitment operation, January topical operation and February topical operation (0607–1029) were approved by OMB on January 15, 2025. The Household Trends and Outlook Pulse Survey (HTOPS) is designed to ensure the availability of frequent data collection for nationwide estimates on a variety of topics for a variety of subgroups of the population. This notice serves to inform you of the Department's intent to request clearance from OMB to conduct HTOPS March, April, and May data collections.

The topical survey that will field in March will include labor force focused content to test a series of questions that are being designed for production use in the Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP) labor force module.

The April topical survey will include content from the Household Pulse Survey. The Household Pulse Survey will continue to serve as an experimental endeavor in cooperation with other federal agencies to produce near real-time data to understand the effects of current events, including natural disaster events or other social or economic events facing the nation or a significant portion of the nation.

Data collected in the Household Pulse Survey demonstrate the ability to quickly collect and disseminate high-frequency data products that inform the public in urgent circumstances. Data products will include public-use data files and detailed data tables, which can be used by federal, state, and local agencies; academic and non-government organizations; the media; and the public.

The May topical will provide important methodological data to compare the HTOPS responses against a national benchmark and similar survey design, pulling questions from Pew's National Public Opinion Reference Survey. These will be used for methodological assessment of the current panel members representativeness compared to this national benchmark and other similar data collection strategies and will be used to inform directions for future recruitment and replenishment. The May topical also pilots a short series seeking to measure reasons for migration to be used in other surveys like the Survey of Income and Program Participation.

It is the Department's intention to commence data collection using the revised instrument on or about March 18, 2025, April 15, 2025, and May 20, 2025. We invite the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on December 9, 2024 (OMB No. 0607–1029) during a 30-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

*Agency:* U.S. Census Bureau, Department of Commerce.

*Title:* High Frequency Surveys Program/Household Trends and Outlook Pulse Survey.

*OMB Control Number:* 0607–1029.

*Form Number(s):* None.

*Type of Request:* Regular submission, Request for a Revision of a Currently Approved Collection.

*Number of Respondents:* March: 10,000; April/May: 20,350 (244,200 annually).

*Average Hours per Response:* .333 (20 minutes).

*Burden Hours:* March: 3.330; April/May: 6,777 (81,399 annually).

*Needs and Uses:* The High-Frequency Surveys Program was established as a natural progression from the creation of the Household Pulse Survey. The Household Trends and Outlook Pulse Survey (HTOPS) is a probability-based nationwide nationally-representative survey panel designed to test the methods to collect data on a variety of topics of interest, and for conducting experimentation on alternative question wording and methodological approaches. The goal of the HTOPS is to ensure availability of frequent data collection for nationwide estimates on a variety of topics and a variety of subgroups of the population, meeting standards for transparent quality reporting of the Federal Statistical Agencies and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

Panelists and households selected for the HTOPS were recruited from the Census Bureau's gold standard Master Address File. This ensures that HTOPS is rooted in this rigorously developed and maintained frame and available for linkage to administrative records securely maintained and curated by the Census Bureau. Invitations to complete the monthly surveys will be sent via email and SMS messages. Questionnaires will be mainly internet self-response. The HTOPS will maintain representativeness by allowing respondents who do not use the internet to respond via computer-assisted telephone interviewing (CATI). All panelists will receive an incentive for each complete questionnaire. Periodic replenishment samples will maintain representativeness and panelists will be replaced after a period of three years.

*Affected Public:* Households.

*Frequency:* Monthly.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Voluntary.

*Legal Authority:* Title 13, United States Code, Sections 141, 182 and 193.

This information collection request may be viewed at *www.reginfo.gov.* Follow the instructions to view the Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website *www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain.* Find this particular information collection by selecting ''Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments'' or by using the search function and entering either the title of the collection or the OMB Control Number 0607–1029.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Bureau of Economic Analysis

**[Docket No. 250224–0018]**

**RIN 0691–XC156**

### BE–30: Quarterly Survey of Ocean Freight Revenues and Foreign Expenses of U.S. Carriers

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Economic Analysis, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of reporting requirements.

**SUMMARY:** By this Notice, the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA), Department of Commerce, is informing the public that it is conducting the mandatory survey titled Quarterly Survey of Ocean Freight Revenues and Foreign Expenses of U.S. Carriers (BE–30). The data collected on the BE–30 survey are needed to measure U.S. trade in transport services and to analyze the impact of U.S. trade on the U.S. and foreign economies. This survey is authorized by the International Investment and Trade in Services Survey Act.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Christopher Stein, Chief, Services Surveys Branch, Balance of Payments Division, via phone at (301) 278–9189 or via email at *PRAcomments@bea.gov.*

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Through this Notice, BEA publishes the reporting requirements for the BE–30 survey form. As noted below, all U.S. persons required to respond to this mandatory survey will be contacted by BEA. U.S. persons must submit the completed survey forms within 30 days after the end of each quarter. This Notice is being issued in conformance with 15 CFR 801.3. Additional information about BEA's collection of data on international trade in services and direct investment can be found in the International Investment and Trade in Services Survey Act (22 U.S.C. 3101 *et seq.*), as well as BEA's final rule, published April 24, 2012 (77 FR 24373), establishing guidelines for collecting data on international trade in services and direct investment through public notice rather than separate rulemaking. Survey data on international trade in services and direct investment that are not collected pursuant to the 2012 rule are described separately in 15 CFR part 801. The BE–30 survey form and instructions are available at *www.bea.gov/ssb.*

#### Reporting

Notice of specific reporting requirements, including who is to report, the information to be reported, the manner of reporting, and the time and place of filing reports, will be mailed to those required to complete this survey.

*Who Must Report:* (a) Reports are required from U.S. ocean carriers that had total reportable revenues or total reportable expenses that were $500,000 or more during the previous year, or are expected to be $500,000 or more during the current year. See BE–30 survey form for more details.

(b) U.S. persons required to report will be contacted individually by BEA. U.S. persons not contacted by BEA have no reporting responsibilities.

*What To Report:* The survey collects information on U.S. ocean freight carriers' foreign revenues and expenses.

*How To Report:* Reports can be filed using BEA's electronic reporting system at *www.bea.gov/efile.* Copies of the survey forms and instructions, which contain complete information on reporting procedures and definitions, can be downloaded from *www.bea.gov/ssb* and submitted through mail or fax. Form BE–30 inquiries can be made by phone to BEA at (301) 278–9303 or by sending an email to *be-30help@bea.gov.*

*When To Report:* Reports are due to BEA 30 days after the end of each quarter.

#### Paperwork Reduction Act Notice

This data collection has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act and assigned control number 0608–0011. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid control number assigned by OMB. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 4 hours per response. Additional information regarding this burden estimate may be viewed at *www.reginfo.gov;* under the Information Collection Review tab, click on ''Search'' and use the above OMB control number to search for the current survey instrument. Send comments regarding this burden estimate to Christopher Stein, Chief, Services Surveys Branch (BE–50), Balance of Payments Division, via email at *PRAcomments@bea.gov;* and to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project 0608–0011, via email at *OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov.*

(Authority: 22 U.S.C. 3101–3108)

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Bureau of Economic Analysis

**[Docket No. 250224–0026]**

**RIN 0691–XC164**

### BE–15: Annual Survey of Foreign Direct Investment in the United States

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Economic Analysis, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of reporting requirements.

**SUMMARY:** By this Notice, the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA), Department of Commerce, is informing the public that it is conducting the mandatory survey titled Annual Survey of Foreign Direct Investment in the United States (BE–15). The data collected on the BE–15 survey are needed to measure the size and economic significance of foreign direct investment in the United States and its impact on the U.S. economy. This survey is authorized by the International Investment and Trade in Services Survey Act.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kirsten Brew, Chief, Multinational Operations Branch (BE–49), via phone at (301) 278–9152 or via email at *PRAcomments@bea.gov.*

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Through this Notice, BEA publishes the reporting requirements for the BE–15 survey form. As noted below, all entities required to respond to this mandatory survey will be contacted by BEA. A completed report covering the entity's fiscal year ending during the previous calendar year is due by May 31 (or by June 30 for reporting companies that use BEA's eFile system). This Notice is being issued in conformance with 15 CFR 801.3. Additional information about