

**Non-Substantive Change Request**  
**US Census Bureau “Qualitative Research on The Undercount of Young Children”**  
**OMB Control No. 0607-0978**  
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**Summary of request**

The US Census Bureau requests approval for a non-substantive change to the currently approved screening questionnaire for “Qualitative Research on The Undercount of Young Children” on it’s “Generic Clearance for Internet Panel Pretesting and Qualitative Survey Methods Testing” (0607-0978). This change is to comply with the recent executive order following the guidance provided by OMB in the memorandum “Guidance on Implementing Section 3(e) of the Executive Order 14168 in Accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act and the Privacy Act” on February 11, 2025. The U.S. Census Bureau is also requesting a non-substantive change to align the race/ethnicity question in the screener to align with the SPD15 race/ethnicity categories in Figure 3.

**Description of changes requested**

This update involves revision to existing questions. Below, we show the currently approved question wording and the new question wording that will replace the current wording. Both English and Spanish will be updated. The question stem will vary depending on whether the question is being read by the respondent on the web or by a researcher on the phone. This is to optimize respondents’ comprehension of the question and minimize its cognitive burden.

	<b>CURRENT</b>	<b><u>NEW</u></b>
<b>English</b>	<b>1. What sex were you assigned at birth, on your original birth certificate?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Male</li><li>• Female</li></ul> <b>2. Do you currently describe yourself as male, female, or transgender?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Male</li><li>• Female</li><li>• Transgender</li><li>• None of these</li></ul>	<b>(Web) What is your sex?</b> <b>(Phone) Are you female or male?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Female</li><li>• Male</li></ul>

And we noticed that the race/ethnicity question did have all of the categories but wasn’t aligned with the SPD 15 guidance, so we would like to ensure that is updated as well.

	<b>CURRENT</b>	<b>NEW</b>
<b>English</b>	<p><b>1. /* QRaceEthnicity */ What is your race and/or ethnicity? You may provide more than one group.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• White</li> <li>• Black or African American</li> <li>• Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish Origin</li> <li>• Asian</li> <li>• American Indian or Alaska Native</li> <li>• Middle Eastern or North African</li> <li>• Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander</li> <li>• Some other race</li> </ul>	<p><b>1. /* QRaceEthnicity */ What is your race and/or ethnicity? Select all that apply.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• White</li> <li>• Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish Origin</li> <li>• Black or African American</li> <li>• Asian</li> <li>• American Indian or Alaska Native</li> <li>• Middle Eastern or North African</li> <li>• Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander</li> </ul>

## **Burden**

We are not requesting any change in burden hours.

## **Contact person**

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