

Respondents	Total respondents	Frequency of collection	Average time per response (minutes)	Burden (hours)	Burden cost
Staff	270	Once	13 minutes per customer, with an average of 252 customers per respondent.	14,733	272,567
Total for intake	68,270	.....	.....	29,467	379,383
Site Visits:					
Study Participants	240	Once	60 minutes	240	1,740
Staff	1,080	Twice	60 minutes	2,160	39,960
Total for site visits	1,320	.....	.....	2,400	\$41,700
Total for Intake and Site Visits	69,590	.....	.....	31,867	\$421,083

Note: Due to rounding, the numbers for the totals may differ from the sum of the component numbers.

The total burden cost for the enrollment forms represents 13 minutes, on average, for participant respondents to complete the study enrollment forms multiplied by the number of respondents (68,000) and by an estimated average hourly wage of \$7.25 per hour, which is the current Federal minimum wage. Thus, the total participant burden for the completion of the enrollment forms is \$106,817 (= 68,000 × 13/60 × 7.25). The projected burden for enrollment forms represents 13 minutes, on average, for each staff person to process documents for each study participant, including reviewing the participant’s information, completing the counselor-only section, and data-entering the necessary information. (Each of an estimated 270 staff members will complete the forms for an average of 252 participants.) The total staff burden cost is \$272,567, which is 13 minutes per participant multiplied by the number of respondents (68,000) and an average hourly wage of \$18.50 per hour for staff (The hourly wage of \$18.50 per hour for staff is the average wage in the range of wages found in “Managing Customers’ Training Choices: Findings from the Individual Training Account Experiment,” a report prepared for the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration (December 2006), McConnell, Sheena, Elizabeth Stuart, Kenneth Fortson and others.). The total burden cost for the enrollment forms is \$379,383, which is the sum of the burden costs for participants and staff.

The burden cost for site visits is 2,400 hours. The site visits will involve interviews with an average of four study participants during each of two visits to each of 30 sites. Hence, about 240 (= 4 × 2 × 30) participants will be involved

in the interviews. Each interview will last about one hour. Hence, assuming a wage of \$7.25 per hour, the total burden on participants for the site visits is estimated to be 240 hours with a total cost of \$1,740 (= 7.25 × 240). About 36 staff persons will be interviewed at each of 30 sites. Hence, in total about 1,080 staff (= 36 × 30) will be interviewed. These staff will be interviewed for about one hour during each visit, for each of two visits. Hence, the total burden on staff for the site visits is estimated to 2,160 hours (= 1,080 × 2), representing a burden cost of \$39,960 assuming an hourly wage for staff of \$18.50 per hour. The total burden cost for the site visits is \$41,700, which is the sum of the burden costs for participants and staff. The total burden is estimated to be 31,867 hours (\$421,083 in burden cost), which is the sum of the burdens (and burden costs) for the enrollment forms and site visits.

Comments submitted in response to this request will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval; they will also become a matter of public record.

Signed: at Washington, DC, this 29th day of October, 2010.

Jane Oates,
Assistant Secretary, Employment and Training Administration.
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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Bureau of Labor Statistics

Proposed Collection, Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) [44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)]. This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed new collection of the “Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Green Goods and Services Survey.” A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the individual listed below in the Addresses section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the Addresses section of this notice on or before January 10, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Carol Rowan, BLS Clearance Officer, Division of Management Systems, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Room 4080, 2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE., Washington, DC 20212. Written comments also may be transmitted by fax to 202-691-5111 (this is not a toll free number).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carol Rowan, BLS Clearance Officer, at 202-691-7628 (this is not a toll free number). (See ADDRESSES section.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) is seeking clearance for the collection of data on employment related to the production of green goods and services. The new Green Goods and Services (GGS) survey will collect data on employment, fiscal year, and the share of revenue or employment associated with production of green goods or services at the establishment. Additionally, BLS will expand the existing Occupational Employment Statistics (OES) survey to collect data on occupational employment and wages in establishments included in the GGS survey. The expansion of the existing OES survey will be handled through a separate nonsubstantive change request.

As the chief source of government data on employment, BLS will produce data on green goods and services businesses' employment as tasked by the 2010 Congressional Appropriation. This initiative will produce regular tabulations of aggregate employment for businesses whose primary activities fall into green goods and services as defined by BLS. This series will be key to analyzing workforce trends in this area. In addition, data will be published on occupational employment and wages related to these establishments through the OES expansion.

II. Current Action

Office of Management and Budget clearance is being sought for the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Green Goods and Services Survey.

From the GGS survey, BLS intends to publish a quarterly count of employment associated with the output of green goods and services at U.S. business establishments to meet the requirement outlined in the 2010 Congressional Appropriation. BLS plans to publish detailed industry data for the U.S. and limited data for States.

This survey will use the business register, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW), maintained by BLS as its sampling frame. The register contains employment information on establishments in the U.S. subject to unemployment insurance taxes. This register covers 98 percent of U.S. jobs, available at the county, Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA), State, and national levels by industry. The sampling frame for the GGS survey will be restricted to those establishments classified in NAICS codes that are determined to be in scope in the BLS definition of green goods and services.

BLS undertook extensive research to develop data collection forms and

methodology and to understand the collection environment related to green goods and services. This research was outlined in a prior **Federal Register** Notice (75 FR 3926). The research was completed in September 2010; the forms put forth for clearance in this package were field-tested and incorporate the research and lessons learned from field testing of earlier versions of the survey form. The survey will collect data on employment, fiscal year, and revenue or employment share related to green goods and services at each establishment surveyed. The share of revenue will be used to estimate employment when employment share is not reported. BLS determined from prior research and from the recent forms development research that businesses have difficulty providing employment associated with the production of green goods and services while revenue is readily available and less burdensome for the respondent to report.

III. Desired Focus of Comments

The Bureau of Labor Statistics is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility.
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

Type of Review: New Collection.

Agency: Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Title: Green Goods and Services Survey.

OMB Number: 1220-NEW.

Affected Public: Private sector businesses or other for-profits, not-for-profit institutions, farms; Federal Government; State and local governments.

Total Respondents: 120,000.

Frequency: Annual.

Total Responses: 120,000.

Average Time per Response: 15 minutes.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 30,000.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): 482,400.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): 482,400.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they also will become a matter of public record.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 5th day of November 2010.

Kimberley Hill,

*Chief, Division of Management Systems,
Bureau of Labor Statistics.*

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employee Benefits Security Administration

Proposed Revision of Information Collection: Comment Request National Medical Support Notice—Part B

AGENCY: Employee Benefits Security Administration.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor (the Department), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA 95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program helps to ensure that the data the Department collects can be provided in the desired format, that the reporting burden on the public (time and financial resources) is minimized, that the public understands the Department's collection instruments, and that the Department can accurately assess the impact of its collection requirements on respondents.

Currently, the Employee Benefits Security Administration (EBSA) is soliciting comments concerning a revision to the information collections contained in the National Medical Support Notice—Part B. A copy of EBSA's information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the individual listed below in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

DATES: Comments must be submitted to the office shown in the **ADDRESSES** section on or before January 10, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Direct all comments regarding the ICR and burden estimates to G. Christopher Cosby, Office of Policy