

**OFFICE OF PERSONNEL
MANAGEMENT****Submission for Review: Reinstatement
of a Previously Approved Information
Collection Without Change, Standard
Form 2812, 2812-A, and OPM Form
1523**

AGENCY: Office of Personnel
Management.

ACTION: 30-Day notice and request for
reinstatement.

SUMMARY: The Office of Personnel
Management (OPM) offers the general
public and other federal agencies the
opportunity to comment on a revised
information collection request (ICR) for
Standard Form 2812, 2812-A and OPM
Form 1523. Reinstatement will allow
continued use of the collection and an
additional 180 days to complete the full
Paperwork Reduction Act approval
process.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and
will be accepted until October 16, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are
invited to submit written comments on
the proposed information collection to
the U.S. Office of Personnel
Management, Funds Management, 1900
E Street NW., Washington, DC 20415-
3500, Attention: Antoinette
Cunningham or sent by email to
Antoinette.Cunningham@opm.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A
copy of this ICR, with applicable
supporting documentation, may be
obtained by contacting the U.S. Office of
Personnel Management, Chief Financial
Office, Financial Services, 1900 E Street
NW., Room 5478, Washington, DC
20415, Attention: Antoinette
Cunningham, or sent by email to
Antoinette.Cunningham@opm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As
required by the Paperwork Reduction
Act of 1995, (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C.
chapter 35) as amended by the Clinger-
Cohen Act (Pub. L. 104-106), OPM is
soliciting comments for this collection
(OMB No. 3206-0262). The *Middle
Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of
2012* (Pub. L. 112-96, Section 5001),
made two significant changes to the
Federal Employees' Retirement System
(FERS). First, beginning in 2013, new
employees (as designated in the statute)
will have to pay significantly higher
employee contributions, an increase of
2.3 percent of salary. Second, new
Members of Congress and Congressional
employees, in addition to paying higher
retirement contributions, will accrue
retirement benefits at the same rate as
regular employees. New employees
affected by this law will be classified in

a new retirement category; the Federal
Employees' Retirement System—
Revised Annuity Employees (FERS-
RAE). The current Standard Form 2812,
Standard Form 2812-A, and OPM Form
1523, have been changed to reflect this
additional category.

Reinstatement will allow continued
use of the collection and an additional
180 days to complete the full Paperwork
Reduction Act approval process. The
Office of Personnel Management (OPM)
is particularly interested in comments
that:

1. 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;
2. 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;
3. Enhance the quality, utility, and
clarity of the information to be
collected; and
4. 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.

Analysis

Agency: Trust Fund Management of
the Office of the Chief Financial Officer,
Office of Personnel Management.

Title: (1) Report of Withholdings and
Contributions for Health Benefits, Life
Insurance and Retirement (Standard
Form 2812); (2) Report of Withholdings
and Contributions for Health Benefits by
Enrollment Code (Standard Form 2812-
A); (3) Supplemental Semiannual
Headcount Report (OPM Form 1523).

OMB Number: 3206-0262.

Frequency: Semiannually for OPM
Form 1523 and once-per-pay-period for
Standard Form 2812 and Standard Form
2812-A.

Affected Public: Public Entities with
Federal Employees and Retirees.

Number of Respondents: 100.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 30
Minutes.

Total Burden Hours: 2,700.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

Kathleen M. McGettigan,

Acting Director.

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD**Proposed Collection; Comment
Request**

Summary: In accordance with the
requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of
the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995
which provides opportunity for public
comment on new or revised data
collections, the Railroad Retirement
Board (RRB) will publish periodic
summaries of proposed data collections.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether
the proposed information collection is
necessary for the proper performance of
the functions of the agency, including
whether the information has practical
utility; (b) the accuracy of the RRB's
estimate of the burden of the collection
of the information; (c) ways to enhance
the quality, utility, and clarity of the
information to be collected; and (d)
ways to minimize the burden related to
the collection of information on
respondents, including the use of
automated collection techniques or
other forms of information technology.

**Title and purpose of information
collection:** Application for Employee
Annuity Under the Railroad Retirement
Act; OMB 3220-0002.

Section 2(a) of the Railroad
Retirement Act (RRA) provides for
payments of age and service, disability,
and supplemental annuities to qualified
employees. An annuity cannot be paid
until the employee stops working for a
railroad employer. In addition, the age
and service employee must relinquish
any rights held to such jobs. A disabled
employee does not need to relinquish
employee rights until attaining Full
Retirement Age, or if earlier, when their
spouse is awarded a spouse annuity.
Benefits become payable after the
employee meets certain other
requirements, which depend on the type
of annuity payable. The requirements
for obtaining the annuities are
prescribed in 20 CFR 216 and 220.

To collect the information needed to
help determine an applicant's
entitlement to, and the amount of, an
employee retirement annuity the RRB
uses Forms AA-1, *Application for
Employee Annuity*; AA-1d, *Application
for Determination of Employee
Disability*; G-204, *Verification of
Workers Compensation/Public Disability
Benefit Information*, and electronic
Forms AA-1cert, *Application Summary
and Certification*, and AA-1sum,
Application Summary.

The AA-1 application process obtains
information from an applicant about
their marital history, work history,
military service, benefits from other
governmental agencies, railroad