

Respondents: State agriculture officials; flock owners; breeders; hatchery operators; table-egg, meat-type chicken, and meat-type turkey producers; feedlot and slaughter plant personnel; approved laboratory personnel; prospective and certified auditors; visitors, and associated entities.

Estimated annual number of respondents: 4,555.

Estimated annual number of responses per respondent: 51.

Estimated annual number of responses: 234,529.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 110,738 hours. (Due to averaging, the total annual burden hours may not equal the product of the annual number of responses multiplied by the reporting burden per response.)

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Done in Washington, DC, this 15th day of January 2026.

Michael Watson,

Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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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; Annual Integrated Economic Survey

The Department of Commerce will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. 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 August 21, 2025 during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

Agency: U.S. Census Bureau, Commerce.

Title: Annual Integrated Economic Survey.

OMB Control Number: 0607-1024.

Form Number(s): This electronic collection has no form number.

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

Number of Respondents: 305,340.

Average Hours per Response: 2 hours and 15 minutes.

Burden Hours: 687,015.

Needs and Uses: The Census Bureau requests Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to make revisions to the Annual Integrated Economic Survey (AIES). Since survey year 2023 (collected in calendar year 2024), the Census Bureau has conducted the AIES on an annual basis. The AIES was created to integrate seven annual business surveys into one comprehensive survey. It was designed to combine Census Bureau collections to reduce respondent burden and increase data quality. The AIES provides the only comprehensive national and subnational data on business revenues and expenses on an annual basis. The survey covers domestic, nonfarm employer businesses with operations during the survey year. In survey year 2025 (which will be collected in calendar year 2026), a new sample will be selected. Additionally, the AIES will begin to use 2022 North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) codes in its sampling, collection, and dissemination operations; implement a modular and subsampled content strategy to reduce respondent burden while still meeting data users' needs; collect North American Product Classification System (NAPCS)-based data from retail, wholesale, and services businesses; remove depreciable asset questions, select capital expenditure details (finance leases and software), company-level questions (leased employees and research and development spending), and select revenue details; and collect capital expenditures by type (structures and equipment).

Private businesses, organizations, industry analysts, educators and students, and economic researchers will use the estimates for analyzing and conducting impact evaluations on past and current economic performance, short-term economic forecasts, productivity, long-term economic growth, market analysis, tax policy, capacity utilization, business fixed capital stocks and capital formation, domestic and international competitiveness trade policy, product development, market research, and financial analysis. Trade and professional organizations will use the estimates to analyze industry trends and benchmark their own statistical

programs, develop forecasts, and evaluate regulatory requirements. Government program officials and agencies will use the data for research, economic policymaking, and forecasting. Estimates produced from the AIES will serve as a benchmark for Census Bureau indicator programs, such as the Monthly Retail Trade Survey (MRTS); Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories, and Orders (M3); Monthly Wholesale Trade Survey (MWTS); and Quarterly Services Survey (QSS). The Census Bureau will also continue to use information collected in the AIES to update and maintain the centralized, multipurpose Business Register that provides sampling populations and enumeration lists for the Census Bureau's economic surveys and censuses. The Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) will continue to use the estimates to derive industry output for the input-output accounts and for the gross domestic product (GDP). The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) will continue to use the data as input to its Producer Price Index (PPI) and in developing productivity measurements. Additionally, the Federal Reserve Board (FRB) will continue to use the data to prepare the Index of Industrial Production, to improve estimates of investment indicators for monetary policy, and in monitoring retail credit lending. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) will continue to use the data to estimate expenditures for the National Health Accounts and for monitoring and evaluating healthcare industries. The Department of the Treasury will continue to use the data to analyze depreciation and to research economic trends.

Frequency: Annually.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Legal Authority: Title 13 U.S.C., Sections 131 and 182.

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 0607–1024.

Sheleen Dumas,

Departmental PRA Compliance Officer, Office of the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs, Commerce Department.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Office of the Secretary

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Challenge and Prize Competition Solicitations Generic Clearance

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of information collection, request for comment.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), invites 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. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days of public comment preceding submission of the collection to OMB.

DATES: To ensure consideration, comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before March 23, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments by mail to the Departmental PRA Compliance Officer, Office of the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs, at PRAcomments@doc.gov. Do not submit Confidential Business Information or otherwise sensitive or protected information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or specific questions related to collection activities should be directed to the Departmental PRA Compliance Officer, Office of the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs, at 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230 or PRAcomments@doc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

This request is for an extension of a currently approved generic clearance for the collection of routine information

requested of respondents in challenges and competitions that the Department of Commerce posts on the General Service Administration (GSA)'s *Challenge.gov* website since passage of the America COMPETES Act of 2011. In order for DOC to launch competitions quickly and effectively on a continual basis, DOC seeks generic clearance to collect information for these challenges and competitions, which will generally include first name, last name, email, city, state and when applicable other demographic information. It can also include other information necessary to evaluate submissions and understand their impact related to the general goals of the competition. Upon entry or during the judging process, applicants under the age of 18 may be asked to confirm parental consent, requiring students under 18 to have a parent's signature on a parental consent form provided by the DOC in order to qualify for the contest. For certain challenges we may also need to collect data such as types of data sets used in the solution, types of software tools used in the solution, and information regarding uses of proprietary software (*i.e.*, licenses or use agreements). Information obtained from participants will be used by the program managers (challenge manager), technical reviewers, and other agency officials (such as agency counsels).

In 2011, Federal agencies including DOC were given prize authority for administering challenges and competitions. Section 105(a) of the America Competes Act, adds Section 24 to the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980 (15 U.S.C. 3701 *et seq.*) that addresses provisions for challenges and competitions with prizes conducted by Federal agencies. Challenges and competitions enable DOC to tap into the expertise and creativity of the public in new ways. DOC evaluates submissions and typically awards monetary or non-monetary prizes to winning entries. DOC may sponsor challenges and competitions in a wide variety of areas to increase public participation and solicit new ideas on a wide array of topics important to the agency's mission. DOC's goal is to engage a broader number of stakeholders who are inspired to work on some of our most pressing issues.

The information collected will be used to understand whether the participant has met the technical requirements for the challenge, assist in the technical review and judging of the solutions that are provided, and assess how the competition was administered. Information may be collected during the competition or after its completion.

This clearance applies to challenges posted on *Challenge.gov*, which uses a common platform for the solicitation of challenges from the public. Each agency designs the criteria for its solicitations based on the goals of the challenge and the specific needs of the agency. There is no standard submission format for solution providers to follow, and there is no set schedule for the issuance of challenges; they are developed and issued on an "as needed" basis in response to issues the federal agency wishes to solve.

II. Method of Collection

The primary method of collection will be electronic. Some supporting documents may be emailed, mailed, or collected in person.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0690–0031.

Form Number(s): Varies or None.

Type of Review: Regular submission, an extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households; Private Sector; Not-for-profit institutions; State, Local, or Tribal government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,100.

Estimated Time per Response: 10–30 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 800.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: Nominal.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Frequency of Requests: One-time.

Legal Authority: 15 U.S.C. 3701 *et seq.*

IV. Request for Comments

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department/Bureau to: (a) Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) Evaluate ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this ICR. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal