

companies voluntarily report their sales to Japan. The information provided by the Data Collection Program (DCP) is used by the U.S. Government to calculate foreign market share in the Japanese semiconductor market to ensure access to the Japanese market gained under the 1986 and 1991 U.S.-Japan Semiconductor Arrangement continues under the 1996 Semiconductor Agreement.

II. Method of Collection

The Department of Commerce distributes Form ITA-4115P and the instruction manual to semiconductor companies after their eligibility is checked. The applicant completes the form and then forwards it to Price Waterhouse, who submits a summary report to the U.S. Department of Commerce/Office of Microelectronics for calculation of foreign (non-Japanese) share of the Japanese market.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0625-0211.

Form Number: ITA-4115P.

Type of Review: Regular Submission.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 38.

Estimated Time per Response: 1 hour.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 456 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: The estimated annual cost for this collection is \$41,040 (\$34,200 for respondents and \$6,840 for federal government).

IV. Requested for Comments

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

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

Dated: February 26, 1998.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

DOC has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

Agency: Bureau of the Census.

Title: American Community Survey

Group Quarters Screening Test.

Form Number(s): ACS-2(GQ).

Agency Approval Number: 0607-0836.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 75 hours.

Number of Respondents: 450.

Avg Hours Per Response: 10 minutes.

Needs and Uses: Planning is currently underway for the 1998 American Community Survey (ACS). Data from the ACS will determine the feasibility of a continuous measurement system that provides socioeconomic data on a continual basis throughout the decade.

As part of 1998 ACS testing, a sample of Group Quarters (GQs) will be enumerated. GQs include places such as student dorms, correctional facilities, hospitals, nursing homes, shelters, and military quarters. The forms and procedures for all enumeration aspects of the 1998 ACS, including GQ enumeration, have been separately approved by OMB. The Census Bureau must also test its procedures for collecting screening information from GQ operators prior to the GQ enumeration begins. The screening operation, the subject of this request, will serve to update information we already have on-hand about the GQ and its residency, tell us if the GQ is within scope for ACS enumeration, and, most importantly, allow us to determine if a mail enumeration of the residents is possible. If a mail enumeration is not possible, face-to-face interviews with GQ residents will be necessary.

In this request, we are increasing the burden hours to accommodate for the ACS site expansion in 1998. We are also testing only one version of the screening form this year (as opposed to three in 1997). Other minor procedural changes have also been made.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit, not-for-profit institutions, farms.

Frequency: One time.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Legal Authority: Title 13 U.S.C., Section 182.

OMB Desk Officer: Nancy Kirkendall, (202) 395-7313.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Linda Engelmeier, DOC Forms Clearance Officer, (202) 482-3272, Department of Commerce, room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Nancy Kirkendall, OMB Desk Officer, room 10201, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: February 24, 1998.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

DOC has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

Agency: Bureau of the Census.

Title: Advance Monthly Retail Sales Survey.

Form Number(s): B-104.

Agency Approval Number: 0607-0104.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 4,100 hours.

Number of Respondents: 4,100.

Avg Hours Per Response: 5 minutes.

Needs and Uses: The Bureau of the Census conducts the Advance Monthly Retail Sales Survey to collect monthly sales data from a national sample of retail establishments on a timely basis in order to provide an early indication of changes in current retail trade activity at the United States level. Data are collected monthly from small, medium, and large size businesses.

Policy makers such as the Federal Reserve Board need to have the most timely estimates in order to anticipate economic trends and act accordingly. The Bureau of the Census releases the