

the last month before the beginning of the quarter. The rate for interest rate terms of 20 years or longer is the average of the 20 year rates published in the Bond Buyer in the four weeks specified in 7 CFR 1714.5(d). The rate for terms of less than 20 years is the average of the rates published in the Bond Buyer for the same four weeks in the table of "Municipal Market Data—General Obligation Yields" or the successor to this table. No interest rate may exceed the interest rate for Water and Waste Disposal loans.

The table of Municipal Market Data includes only rates for securities maturing in 1998 and at 5 year intervals thereafter. The rates published by RUS reflect the average rates for the years shown in the Municipal Market Data table. Rates for interest rate terms ending in intervening years are a linear interpolation based on the average of the rates published in the Bond Buyer. All rates are adjusted to the nearest one eighth of one percent (0.125 percent) as required under 7 CFR 1714.5(a). The market interest rate on Water and Waste Disposal loans for this quarter is 5.125 percent.

In accordance with 7 CFR 1714.5, the interest rates are established as shown in the following table for all interest rate terms that begin at any time during the second calendar quarter of 1998.

Interest rate term ends in (year)	RUS rate (0.000 percent)
2019 or later	5.125
2018	5.125
2017	5.125
2016	5.000
2015	5.000
2014	5.000
2013	4.875
2012	4.875
2011	4.750
2010	4.625
2009	4.500
2008	4.500
2007	4.375
2006	4.375
2005	4.250
2004	4.125
2003	4.125
2002	4.000
2001	3.875
2000	3.750
1999	3.625

Dated: March 12, 1998.

Wally Beyer,

Administrator, Rural Utilities Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Estimates of the Voting Age Population for 1997

Under the requirements of the 1976 amendment to the Federal Election Campaign Act, Title 2, United States Code, Section 441a(e), I hereby give notice that the estimates of the voting age population for July 1, 1997, for each state and the District of Columbia are as shown in the following table.

I have certified these counts to the Federal Election Commission.

Dated: March 11, 1998.

William M. Daly,

Secretary of Commerce.

ESTIMATE OF THE POPULATION OF VOTING AGE FOR EACH STATE AND DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: JULY 1, 1997

[In thousands]

Area	Population 18 and over
United States	198,108
Alabama	3,247
Alaska	421
Arizona	3,277
Arkansas	1,860
California	23,317
Colorado	2,877
Connecticut	2,478
Delaware	554
District of Columbia	422
Florida	11,183
Georgia	5,498
Hawaii	884
Idaho	859
Illinois	8,722
Indiana	4,367
Iowa	2,127
Kansas	1,907
Kentucky	2,947
Louisiana	3,161
Maine	945
Maryland	3,826
Massachusetts	4,666
Michigan	7,269
Minnesota	3,435
Mississippi	1,978
Missouri	3,996
Montana	649
Nebraska	1,212
Nevada	1,234
New Hampshire	877
New Jersey	6,066
New Mexico	1,230
New York	13,577
North Carolina	5,552
North Dakota	476
Ohio	8,348
Oklahoma	2,439
Oregon	2,433
Pennsylvania	9,156
Rhode Island	754
South Carolina	2,805
South Dakota	541
Tennessee	4,043

ESTIMATE OF THE POPULATION OF VOTING AGE FOR EACH STATE AND DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: JULY 1, 1997—Continued

[In thousands]

Area	Population 18 and over
Texas	13,862
Utah	1,371
Vermont	443
Virginia	5,090
Washington	4,156
West Virginia	1,404
Wisconsin	3,823
Wyoming	348

Source: Population Estimates Program, Population Division, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233, March 1998.

For a description of methodology see Current Population Reports, P25-1127. [FR Doc. 98-7077 Filed 3-16-98; 10:05 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of the Census

Renewal of Census Advisory Committees on the African American Population, American Indian and Alaska Native Populations, Asian and Pacific Islander Populations, and Hispanic Population

AGENCY: Bureau of the Census, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of renewal.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, and after concurrence of the General Services Administration, the Secretary of Commerce has determined that the renewal of the Census Advisory Committees on the African American Population, American Indian and Alaska Native Populations, Asian and Pacific Islander Populations, and Hispanic Population is in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Department by law.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 18, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Maxine Anderson-Brown, Committee Liaison Officer, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233, telephone 301-457-2308, TDD 301-457-2540.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: These Committees will provide an organized and continuing channel of communication between the communities they represent and the