

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Office of the Secretary****Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request**

August 14, 2000.

The Department of Labor (DOL) has submitted the following public information collection requests (ICRs) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). A copy of each individual ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the Department of Labor. To obtain documentation for BLS, ETA, PWBA, and OASAM contact Karin Kurz ((202) 219-5096 ext. 159 or by E-mail to Kurz-Karin@dol.gov). To obtain documentation for ESA, MSHA, OSHA, and VETS contact Darrin King ((202) 219-5096 ext. 151 or by E-Mail to King-Darrin@dol.gov).

Comments should be sent to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for BLS, DM, ESA, ETA, MSHA, OSHA, PWBA, or VETS, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 ((202) 395-7316), within 30 days from the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

The OMB is particularly interested in comments which:

- 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; and
- 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 submission of responses.

Type of Review: Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration.

Title: Job Corps Health Questionnaire.
OMB Number: 1205-0033.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; business or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions; State, Local, or Tribal Government; Federal Government.

Form Number: ETA 6-53.

Frequency: Once per applicant.

Number of Respondents: 93,000.

Total Annual Responses: 93,000.

Estimated Time Per respondent: 5 Minutes.

Total Burden: 7,750 Hours.

Total annualized capital/startup costs: \$0.

Total annual costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): \$0.

Description: The Job Corps health questionnaire is used to obtain information on previous and present health needs of the applicant. The information is obtained in an interview by the admissions counselor and helps determine the health and accommodation/modification needs of the Job Corps applicant.

Type of Review: Extension of a previously approved collection.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration.

Title: Occupational Code Request.

OMB Number: 1205-0137.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal government; Federal Government.

Form Number: ETA 741.

Frequency: On Occasion.

Number of Respondents: 95.

Total Annual Responses: 95.

Estimated Time Per respondent: 30 minutes.

Total Burden: 47 Hours.

Total annualized capital/startup costs: \$0.

Total annual costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): \$0.

Description: The form ETA-741, Occupational Code Request (OCR), is provided as a public service to the States to obtain occupational codes and titles for job not included in the *Dictionary of Occupational Titles*.

Ira L. Mills,

Departmental Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Employment and Training
Administration****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 preclearance 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. Currently, the Employment and Training Administration is soliciting comments concerning the proposed revised collection of the data contained on the Welfare to Work Formula (ETA 9068) and Competitive (ETA 9068-1) Cumulative Quarterly Status Reports.

A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the addresses section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addresses section below on or before October 23, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Isabel Danley, Division of Financial Grants Management Policy and Review, Office of Grants and Contract Management, United States Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, 200 Constitution Ave. NW., Rm. N-4720, Washington, DC 20210, (202-219-5731 x115—not a toll free number) and, Internet address; IDanley@DOLETA.GOV and/or FAX: (202-208-1551).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Background**

Pursuant to Title IV, Part A of the Social Security Act, as amended by the enactment of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, the Welfare to Work program was designed to assist States in providing transitional employment assistance to move hard-to-employ recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, with significant job placement and job retention barriers, into unsubsidized jobs. On Tuesday, November 18, 1997, the Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration issued an Interim Final Rule, 20 CFR Part 645, implementing the grant provisions of the Social Security Act Amendments. The reporting requirements set forth at 20 CFR 645.240 directed the Department to issue detailed reporting instructions. In accordance with the Paperwork

Reduction Act of 1995, the reporting formats (ETA 9068 and 9068-1) and corresponding instructions were submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for review, clearance, and subsequent approval.

Passage of the TITLE VIII WELFARE-TO-WORK AND CHILD SUPPORT AMENDMENTS OF 1999, Section 804. SIMPLIFICATION AND COORDINATION OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS, necessitated revisions to currently approved reporting requirements, including the provision for collection of participant information. Upon approval by OMB, the revised reporting formats will be provided electronically to the States and competitive grant recipients, replacing the formats in place at the present time. The currently assigned Passwords and Personal Identification Numbers will continue to be used in accessing the formats and for data certification.

II. Review Focus

The Department of Labor is particularly interested in comments which:

- 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; and
- 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.

III. Current Actions

The revised collection of information must be approved so that DOL can effectively manage and evaluate the WtW program in compliance with the

requirements set forth in the Social Security Act Amendments, as further amended by the TITLE VIII WELFARE-TO-WORK AND CHILD SUPPORT AMENDMENTS OF 1999.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration.

Title: Welfare to Work Formula (ETA 9068) and Competitive (ETA 9068-1) Cumulative Quarterly Status Reports.

OMB Number: 1205-0385.

Agency Numbers: ETA 9068 and ETA 9068-1.

Frequency: Quarterly.

Affected Public: (1) WtW Formula Grants: States, local governments, and Private Industry Councils; and, (2) WtW Competitive Grants: Eligible applicants from business and/or other for profit and non-profit institutions.

Reporting Burden: See the following Reporting Burden Tables for WtW Formula Grants (Revised ETA 9068) and WtW Competitive Grants (Revised ETA 9068-1).

DOL-ETA REPORTING BURDEN FOR WTW FORMULA AND TRIBAL GRANTS FINANCIAL AND PARTICIPANT DATA COLLECTION
[Revised ETA 9068]

Requirements	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Number of Reports Per Entity Per Quarter	1	2	2	1
Total Number of Reports Per Entity Per Year	2	8	8	4
Number of Hours Required for Reporting Hours Per Quarter Per Report	1	1	2	2
Total Number of Hours Required for Reporting Hours Per Entity Per Year	2	8	16	8
Number of Entities Reporting	55	55	55	55
Total Number of Hours Required for Reporting Burden Per Year	110	440	880	440
Total Burden Cost @ \$23.45 per hour	\$2,580	\$10,318	\$20,636	\$10,318

Note: (1) The number of reports per entity per year is impacted by the 3 year life of both FY 1998 and FY 1999 funds.

(2) In FY 1998, reporting was not effective until the second half of the FY.
(3) In FY 2000 and FY 2001, the number of hours required per quarter per report is

increased based upon the additional participant reporting requirements.
(4) The burden cost is estimated based on a GS 12/01 position.

DOL-ETA REPORTING BURDEN FOR WTW COMPETITIVE GRANTS FINANCIAL AND PARTICIPANT DATA COLLECTION
[Revised ETA 9068-1]

Requirements	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000
Number of Reports Per Entity Per Quarter	1	1	1
Total Number of Reports Per Entity Per Year	2	4	4
Number of Hours Required for Reporting Per Quarter Per Report	1.5	1.5	2.5
Total Number of Hours Required for Reporting (Hours Per Entity Per Year)	3	6	10
Estimated Number of Entities Reporting	126	191	65
Total Number of Hours Required for Reporting Burden Per Year	378	1146	650
Total Burden Cost @ \$23.45 per hour	\$8,864	\$26,873	\$15,242

Note: (1) Competitive grants have a 2 year life. FY 1998 grants must be reported in FY 1998 (2 quarters) and in FY 1999. FY 1999 grants must be reported in FY 1999 and FY 2000.

(2) Approximately 126 entities reported in FY 1998 (continuing to be reported in FY

1999; with an additional 65 entities reporting in FY 1999 (which will continue to report in FY 2000).

(3) The number of hours required per report increased in FY 2000, due to the additional participant reporting requirements.

(4) The burden cost is based upon the salary of a GS 12/01.

Comments submitted in response to this comment request will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and

Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: August 16, 2000.

Dennis Lieberman,

Director, Office of Welfare to Work.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

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 preclearance 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. Currently, the Employment and Training Administration is soliciting comments concerning the proposed continuing collection of the data contained on the Workforce Investment Act Cumulative Quarterly Financial Reports (ETA 9076 A-F). A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the addressees section of this notice.

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addressees section below on or before October 23, 2000.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Pursuant to Public Law 105-220, dated August 7, 1998 and 20 CFR 652, et al., Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Interim Final Rule, dated April 15, 1999; and in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, requested Office of Management and Budget approval of financial data information formats for use in quarterly electronic collection of required financial data from the States. An OMB Notice of Action No. 1205-0408, dated May 23, 2000, provided authority for the Department to issue WIA prototype reporting formats and corresponding instructions to the States via Training and Employment Guidance Letter (TEGL) No. 16-99, dated June 23, 2000. The data elements contained on the prototype formats have subsequently been incorporated into software which has been provided electronically to the States to enable direct Internet reporting. This proposed collection notice is requesting a three year extension of the currently approved WIA financial reporting requirements which expire on November 30, 2000.

II. Review Focus

The Department of Labor is particularly interested in comments which:

- 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;
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- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
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III. Current Actions

The continuing collection of information must be approved so that the Department can effectively manage and evaluate the WIA program in compliance with the requirements set forth in Public Law 105-220 and 20 CFR 652 et al., Workforce Investment Act; Final Rules, dated August 11, 2000.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration.

Title: Workforce Investment Act (WIA), Employment and Training Administration, Financial Reporting Requirements.

OMB Number: 1205-0408.

Agency Numbers: ETA 9076 A-F.

Frequency: Quarterly.

Affected Public: States, local governments, Private industry Councils and/or other for profit and non-profit institutions.

Reporting Burden: See the following Reporting Burden Table for States to report requested WIA financial data electronically on formats ETA 9076 A-F.

DOL-ETA REPORTING BURDEN FOR WIA TITLE I-B STATES *

Requirements	PY 1999	PY 2000	PY 2001	PY 2002
Number of reports per entity per quarter	3	3	3	3
Total number of reports per entity per year	12	12	12	12
Number of hours required per report	1	1	1	1
Total number of hours required for reporting per entity per year	12	12	12	12
Number of entities reporting	16	56	56	56
Total number of hours required for reporting burden per year	192	672	672	672
Total burden cost @ \$23.45 per hour	\$4,502	\$15,758	\$15,758	\$15,758

* Revised July 2, 1999.

Note: Number of reports required per entity per quarter/per year is impacted by the 3 year life of each year of appropriated funds, i.e., PY 1997 and 1998 funds are available for expenditure in PY 1999, thus 3 reports reflect 3 available funding years. DOL estimates 16