

Type of Review: New Collection.

Agency: Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS).

Title: Survey of Respirator Use and Practices.

OMB Number: 1220-0NEW.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit; farms; and not-for-profit institutions.

Frequency: One-time.

Number of Respondents: 40,000.

Number of Annual Responses: 40,000.

Estimated Time Per Response: 30 minutes.

Total Burden Hours: 20,000.

Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs: 50.

Total Annual Costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): \$0.

Description: The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) and the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) have agreed to conduct a survey of United States employers regarding the use of the respiratory protective devices. NIOSH needs more in-depth usage data to evaluate standards (29 CFR 1910.134, Respiratory Protection) and to pinpoint areas where education and training efforts are needed. NIOSH will use the information obtained by BLS from the survey to identify industrial sector and establishment size: (1) The distribution of respirator use, (2) the types of respirators used, (3) the hazards that respirators are used against, (4) the training of respirator users, (5) the extent medical examinations are used to qualify workers for respirator use for all respirator users, (6) the extent fit testing is used to qualify workers for respirator use, (7) the conductor of fit testing by users, (8) the distribution of fit test methods, (9) the training level of respirator program administrators, (10) the characteristics of respirator programs; and (11) the usefulness of an NIOSH certification label.

The findings of the survey will permit direction and evaluation of efforts to protect workers. It will give researchers information to develop educational interventions for specific populations to improve respirator use in the workplace.

Ira L. Mills,

Departmental Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Bureau of Labor Statistics

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 pre-clearance 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. The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed revision of the "Employment, Wages, and Contributions Report" (ES-202 Program). A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the individual listed below in the Addresses section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the Addresses section of this notice on or before July 2, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Amy A. Hobby, BLS Clearance Officer, Division of Management Systems, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Room 3255, 2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE., Washington, DC 20212, telephone number 202-691-7628 (this is not a toll free number).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amy A. Hobby, BLS Clearance Officer, telephone number 202-691-7628. (See **ADDRESSES** section.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The ES-202 Program, a Federal/State cooperative effort, produces monthly employment and quarterly wage information. It is a by-product of quarterly reports submitted to State Employment Security Agencies (SESAs) by employers subject to State Unemployment Insurance (UI) laws. The collection of these data is authorized by 29 U.S.C. 1, 2. The ES-202 data, which are compiled for each calendar quarter, provide a comprehensive business name and

address file with employment and wage information for employers subject to State UI laws. Similar data for Federal Government employers covered by the Unemployment Compensation for Federal Employees program also are included. These data are submitted to the BLS by all 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. The BLS summarizes these data to produce totals for all counties, Metropolitan Statistical Areas, the States, and the nation. The ES-202 Program provides a virtual census of nonagricultural employees and their wages, with about 55 percent of the workers in agriculture covered as well.

The ES-202 Program is a comprehensive and accurate source of data on the number of establishments, monthly employment, and quarterly wages, by industry, at the four-digit Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) level, and at the national, State, Metropolitan Statistical Area, and county levels. The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS), which will replace the SIC coding system, is scheduled to be implemented in the ES-202 Program with data for the first quarter of 2001. The ES-202 series has broad economic significance in measuring labor trends and major industry developments, and in time series analyses of establishments, employment, and wages by size of establishment.

II. Desired Focus of Comments

The Bureau of Labor Statistics is particularly interested in comments that:

- 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 Action

Office of Management and Budget clearance is being sought for the

Employment, Wages, and Contributions Report (ES-202 Program).

The ES-202 program is the only Federal statistical program that provides information on establishments, wages, tax contributions and the number of employees subject to State Unemployment Insurance laws and the Unemployment Compensation for Federal Employees program. The consequences of not collecting ES-202 data would be grave to the Federal statistical community. BLS would not have a sampling frame for its establishment surveys; the Bureau of Economic Analysis would not be able to publish as accurate personal income data in a timely manner for the U.S., States, and local areas; and the Employment Training Administration would not have the information it needs to administer the Unemployment Insurance Program.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Agency: Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Title: Employment, Wages, and Contributions (ES-202) Program.

OMB Number: 1220-0012.

Affected Public: State, local, or tribal government.

Total Respondents: 53.

Frequency: Quarterly.

Total Responses: 212.

Average Time Per Response: 4,503 hours.

Estimated Total Burden Hours:

954,720 hours.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): \$0.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): \$0.

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

Signed at Washington, DC, this 25th day of April, 2001.

W. Stuart Rust, Jr.,

*Chief, Division of Management Systems,
Bureau of Labor Statistics.*

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NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: National Archives and Records Administration (NARA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: NARA is giving public notice that the agency proposes to request

extension of a currently approved information collection used in issuing a building pass to National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) volunteers and employees of NARA contractors so that they can enter NARA facilities to perform their duties. NARA uses the information to ensure that only authorized persons have access. The public is invited to comment on the proposed information collection pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before July 2, 2001 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to: Paperwork Reduction Act Comments (NHP), Room 4400, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Rd, College Park, MD 20740-6001; or faxed to 301-713-6913; or electronically mailed to tamee.fechhelm@nara.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the proposed information collection and supporting statement should be directed to Tamee Fechhelm at telephone number 301-713-6730, or fax number 301-713-6913.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), NARA invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed information collections. The comments and suggestions should address one or more of the following points: (a) Whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of NARA; (b) the accuracy of NARA's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (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 the use of information technology. The comments that are submitted will be summarized and included in the NARA request for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. In this notice, NARA is soliciting comments concerning the following information collection:

Title: Request for and Record of Pass.

OMB number: 3095-0026.

Agency form number: NA Form 6006.

Type of review: Regular.

Affected public: Individuals or households, business or other for-profit organizations and institutions, and Federal government.

Estimated number of respondents: 1,266.

Estimated time per response: 3 minutes.

Frequency of response: On occasion (when respondent wishes to enter NARA facilities). Respondents who are contractors are given a building pass which expires at the end of each fiscal year; those who are volunteers are given a pass valid for 5 years.

Estimated total annual burden hours: 63 hours.

Abstract: The collection of information is necessary as a security measure to protect employees, information, and property in National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) facilities and to facilitate the issuance of passes. Use of the form is authorized by 44 U.S.C. 2104. At the NARA College Park facility, individuals receive an access card with the pass that is electronically coded to permit access to secure zones ranging from a general nominal level to stricter access levels for classified records zones. The access card system is part of the security management system which meets the accreditation standards of the Government intelligence agencies for storage of classified information, and serves to comply with E.O. 12958.

Dated: April 25, 2001.

L. Reynolds Cahoon,

Assistant Archivist for Human Resources and Information Services.

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NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: National Archives and Records Administration (NARA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: NARA is giving public notice that the agency proposes to request extension of a currently approved information collection using an application that is submitted to a Presidential library to request the use of space in the library for a privately sponsored activity. The public is invited to comment on the proposed information collection pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before July 2, 2001 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to: Paperwork Reduction Act Comments (NHP), Room 4400, National Archives