

ESTIMATED TIME PER RESPONSE AND TOTAL BURDEN HOURS

Form	Total respondents	Frequency	Average time per response (minutes)	Estimated total burden (hours)
Pre-fielding: Nov.-Dec. 2002	4,000	Once	35	2,300
Full Production: Beginning Jan. 2003	24,000	Annually	35	14,000
Totals	28,000	16,300

Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs: \$0.

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

Description: The time use data collected in the American Time Use Survey (ATUS) will help determine how the population in the United States uses its time participating in such activities as paid work, child care, housework, volunteering, socializing, and commuting. This information will allow comparisons of time use across demographic characteristics such as age, sex, race, educational attainment, and labor force status. The ATUS data will help Federal, State, and local government policy makers more fully understand non-economic, as well as economic, effects of policy decisions, and to better determine when to develop new or change existing policies to address the needs of our society.

Ira L. Mills,
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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Emergency Review; Comment Request

April 10, 2002.

The Department of Labor has submitted the following information collection request (ICR), utilizing emergency review procedures, to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). OMB approval has been requested by May 15, 2002. A copy of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the Department of Labor. To obtain a copy of this ICR, contact Darrin King on 202-693-4129 or Email: *king-darrin@do.gov*.

Comments and questions about the ICR listed below should be submitted to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the Department of Labor, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202-395-7316), and received by May 15, 2002.

The Office of Management and Budget 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.

Agency: Women's Bureau (WB).

Title: Women in Apprenticeship and Nontraditional Occupations (WANTO) Act Grant Application and Reporting Requirements.

OMB Number: 1225-0NEW.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions.

Type of Response: Reporting.

Number of Respondents: 40.

Requirement	Frequency	Estimated number of responses	Average response time (hours)	Estimated annual burden hours
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Grant Application

Previous Applicant	Annually	30	6	180
New Applicant	Annually	10	12	120

Quarterly Reports

Previous Applicant	Quarterly	9	2	72
New Applicant	Quarterly	3	5	60

Final Report

Previous Applicant	Annually	9	4	36
New Applicant	Annually	3	10	30
Totals	64	498

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

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

Description: This collection of information is needed for the Department of Labor to make a selection

of annual Women in Apprenticeship and Nontraditional Occupations (WANTO) grant awardees, as well as to monitor grant administration.

Ira L. Mills,

Departmental Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

**Employment and Training
Administration**

**Proposed Information Collection
Request Submitted for Public
Comment; O*NET® Data Collection
Program**

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 extension collection of the O*NET® (Occupational Information Network) Data Collection Program. A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the addressee section of this notice or can be downloaded from the Internet at: <http://www.onetcenter.org/ombclearance.html>.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addressee section below on or before June 18, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Send comments regarding the O*NET Data Collection Program to James Woods, Chief, Division of Evaluation and Skill Assessment, Office of Policy and Research, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room N5637, Washington, DC 20210. The telephone number is 202-693-3660 (this is not a toll-free number). Comments may also

be submitted via e-mail to: O*NET@doleta.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The O*NET Data Collection Program is a continuing activity to develop and maintain up-to-date information on detailed characteristics of occupations. The resulting database is and will continue to be the most comprehensive standard source of occupational characteristics information in the nation. O*NET information is at the center of an extensive network of occupational information used by a wide range of audiences, from individuals making career decisions, to public agencies and schools providing career exploration services and planning workforce investment programs, to businesses making staffing and training decisions. The O*NET system also provides a common language and framework to meet administrative needs of various federal programs, including workforce investment and training programs of the Departments of Labor, Education, and Health and Human Services.

Section 309 of the Workforce Investment Act requires the Secretary of Labor to oversee the "development, maintenance, and continuous improvement of a nationwide employment statistics system" which shall include, among other components, "skill trends by occupation and industry." The States are to develop similar statewide employment statistics systems.

The Secretary of Labor's Workforce Information System Plan for FY 2001-2005, released in October 2001, includes as one of its priorities, the collection of occupational skills data, stating, "During FY 2001, ETA initiated the data collection program for Occupational Information Network (O*NET) to update the database and refresh it on a regular basis. ETA also will continue research and development on O*NET measurement concepts and data collection methods." This citation in the plan reflects that the O*NET system is the primary vehicle for collecting skills information across all occupations and the updating of the entire O*NET database is a critical component of the nationwide labor market information system to support employer, workforce, and education information needs.

O*NET succeeds the Dictionary of Occupational Titles (DOT) and is a powerful tool for various critical federal and state workforce development functions. O*NET integrates a powerful relational database and a common

language for occupational and skill descriptions into a value-added tool for business, job seekers, and the workforce development professionals who help bring them together. By providing information organized according to the O*NET Content Model, the O*NET database is an important tool for keeping up with today's rapidly changing world of work. The O*NET database provides:

- Detailed information for more than 900 occupations.
- Descriptive information on standardized descriptors of skills, abilities, interests, knowledge, work values, education, training, work context, and work activities.
- Occupational coding based on the 2000 Standard Occupational Classification (SOC).

The O*NET electronic database serves as the underpinning for hundreds of publicly and privately developed products and resources in the marketplace. These products and resources are being used to serve millions of customers.

II. Review Focus

The Department of Labor is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection 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 O*NET Data Collection Program established the foundation for continuous data collection to update and maintain the O*NET database using collection methods designed to obtain high quality and current data. The first complete cycle of data collection will be completed in the fall of 2002. The DOL is seeking Office of Management and Budget approval for a three-year continuation to collect and fully populate the O*NET database with data