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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit 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 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

*Agency:* U.S. Census Bureau.

*Title:* Migration Supplement to the Current Population Survey.

*Form Number(s):* CPS-263 (MIS-1) (L) (8-2007), CPS-263 (MIS-5) (L) (11-2006).

*OMB Control Number:* 0607-0710.

*Type of Request:* Reinstatement, with change, of an expired collection.

*Burden Hours:* 2,250.

*Number of Respondents:* 55,000.

*Average Hours per Response:* 1 minute.

*Needs and Uses:* The U.S. Census Bureau requests authorization from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to conduct the August 2008 Migration supplement to the Current Population Survey (CPS). This clearance request covers five topics of supplemental inquiry in addition to the CPS Basic instrument: Citizenship, Year of Entry, Residence One Year Ago, Residents and Emigrants Abroad, and Transfers.

As part of the federal government's efforts to collect data and provide timely information on migration for policy planning, the main citizenship and year of entry questions have been collected annually on the CPS Basic questionnaire since 1994. The Migration supplement to the CPS provides some basic data on contemporary migration dynamics and population change that is necessary for tracking historical trends. This supplement will be instrumental for understanding the prevalence and nature of changing migration patterns, which is necessary as background for maintaining high data quality, utility and relevance of data, and for policy

planning and support. When combined with CPS-collected characteristics, such as citizenship, place of birth, parental nativity, income, and household relationships, the data can provide information on the social and economic adaptation of and the potential needs of the foreign-born population over time in the United States. The CPS August 2008 Migration supplement will be the only comprehensive, nationally representative source of data on multiple years of entry to the United States, time outside the United States since coming to the United States, emigration, and monetary remittances.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Frequency:* One time.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Voluntary.

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

*OMB Desk Officer:* Brian Harris-Kojetin, (202) 395-7314.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at: [dhynek@doc.gov](mailto:dhynek@doc.gov)).

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*Agency:* U.S. Census Bureau.

*Title:* Monthly Retail Trade Survey.

*Form Number(s):* SM-44(06)S, SM-44(06)SE, SM-44(06)SS, SM-44(06)B, SM-44(06)BE, SM-44(06)BS, SM-45(06)S, SM-45(06)SE, SM-45(06)SS, SM-45(06)B, SM-45(06)BE, SM-45(06)BS, SM-72(06)S, and SM-20(06)I.

*OMB Control Number:* 0607-0717.

*Type of Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Burden Hours:* 12,196.

*Number of Respondents:* 8,712.

*Average Hours Per Response:* 7 minutes.

*Needs and Uses:* This request is for approval of an extension to the Monthly Retail Trade Survey, previously referred to as the "Current Retail Sales and Inventory Survey". The Monthly Retail Trade Survey provides estimates of monthly retail sales, end-of-month merchandise inventories, and quarterly e-commerce sales of retailers in the United States by selected kinds of business. Also, it provides monthly sales of food service establishments.

Sales and inventories data provide a current statistical picture of the retail portion of consumer activity. The sales and inventories estimates in the Monthly Retail Trade Survey measure current trends of economic activity that occur in the United States. Also, the estimates compiled from the survey provide valuable information for economic policy decisions and actions by the government and are widely used by private businesses, trade organizations, professional associations, and others for market research and analysis. The Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) uses these data in determining the consumption portion of Gross Domestic Product (GDP).

Retail and Food Services Sales during 2007 amounted to \$4.5 trillion. The estimates produced in the Monthly Retail Trade Survey are critical to the accurate measurement of total economic activity. The estimates of retail sales represent all operating receipts, including receipts from wholesale sales made at retail locations and services rendered as part of the sale of the goods, by businesses that primarily sell at retail. The sales estimates include sales made on credit as well on a cash basis, but exclude receipts from sales taxes and interest charges from credit sales. Also excluded is non-operating income from such services as investments and real estate.

The estimates of merchandise inventories owned by retailers represent all merchandise located in retail stores, warehouses, offices, or in transit for distribution to retail establishments. The estimates of merchandise inventories exclude fixtures and supplies not held for sale, as well as merchandise held on consignment owned by others. The BEA uses inventories data to determine the investment portion of the GDP.

Retail e-commerce sales are estimated from the same sample used in the Monthly Retail Trade Survey to estimate