

Notices

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

December 3, 2008.

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Food and Nutrition Service

Title: Evaluation of the Birth Month Breastfeeding Changes to the WIC Food Packages Study.

OMB Control Number: 0584-NEW.

Summary of Collection: The Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC), (42 U.S.C. 1786) provides low-income pregnant, breastfeeding, and postpartum women, infants, and children up to age five with nutritious supplemental foods. An Interim Rule was published on December 6, 2007 revising the WIC food packages to align them with the 2005 Dietary Guidelines for Americans and Infant feeding practice guidelines of the American Academy of Pediatrics. The revised food packages for infants and women were designed to strengthen WIC's breastfeeding promotion efforts and provide additional incentives to assist mothers in making the decision to start and continue breastfeeding.

Need and Use of the Information: FNS has designed a study to collect and analyze data to evaluate the impacts that the regulatory changes to WIC food packages have on the incidence, duration, and intensity of breastfeeding. The overarching objective is to assess the effects of the WIC food package Interim Rule to be implemented by local WIC agencies for the first month and subsequent months postpartum. The collected data will cover the following: Food package choices, breastfeeding initiation, breastfeeding duration, breastfeeding intensity, local WIC agency implementation, and WIC participation.

Description of Respondents: State, Local, or Tribal Government; Individuals or households.

Number of Respondents: 1,920.

Frequency of Responses: Report: Other (one-time).

Total Burden Hours: 1,024.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service

Title: Children, Youth, and Families at Risk (CYFAR) Year End Report.

OMB Control Number: 0524-0043.

Summary of Collection: The Children, Youth, and Families at Risk (CYFAR)

funding program supports community-based programs serving children, youth, and families in at risk environments. CYFAR funds are intended to support the development of high quality, effective programs based on research and to document the impact of these programs on intended audiences which are children, youth, and families in at-risk environments. The CYFAR Year End Report collects demographic and impact data from each community site, which is used by the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service (CSREES). Funding for the CYFAR is authorized under section 3(d) of the Smith-Lever Act (7 U.S.C. 341 *et seq.*), as amended and other relevant authorizing legislation, which provides jurisdictional basis for the establishment and operation of extension educational work for the benefit of youth and families in communities.

Need and Use of the Information: The purpose of the CYFAR Year End Report is to collect the demographic and impact data from each community site in order to evaluate the impact of the programs on intended audiences. The CYFAR data is also used to respond to requests for impact information from Congress, the White House, and other Federal agencies. Data from the CYFAR annual reports is used to refine and improve program focus and effectiveness. Without the information CSREES would not be able to verify if CYFAR programs are reaching at risk, low-income audiences.

Description of Respondents: State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 51.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting; Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 16,422.

Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service

Title: Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP).

OMB Control Number: 0524-0044.

Summary of Collection: The Department of Agriculture's Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service (CSREES), Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP) is a unique program that began in 1969. It is designed to reach limited resource audiences—especially youth and families with young children. EFNEP operates in all 50 states and in American Samoa, Guam, Micronesia, Northern Marianas, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. Extension professionals train and supervise paraprofessionals and volunteers who teach food and nutrition information and skills to families and youth with limited financial resources.

Need and Use of the Information: CSREES will collect information using Nutrition Education Evaluation and Reporting System (NEERS), which is an integrated database system that stores information on: (1) Adult program participants, their family structure and dietary practices; (2) youth group participants; and (3) staff. NEERS replaces the Evaluation and Reporting System (ERS). Without the information it would be extremely difficult for the national office to compare, assess, and analyze the effectiveness and the impact of EFNEP without the annual collection of data.

Description of Respondents: State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 74.

Frequency of Responses:

Recordkeeping; Reporting; Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 91,982.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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The following notice that published in the **Federal Register** on Monday, November 24, 2008 (Volume 73, No. 227, page 70954), contained an error in the total burden hours. The correct total is 1,020 burden hours not the 541 burden hours originally published in the notice.

Forest Service

Title: Southern Appalachian Forest Management Survey.

OMB Control Number: 0596-New.

Charlene Parker,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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