

NYTS is the only source of such data for students in grades 6–8. The NYTS has provided national estimates of tobacco use behaviors, information about exposure to pro- and anti-tobacco influences, and information about racial and ethnic disparities in tobacco-related topics. CDC uses the information collected through the NYTS to identify trends over time, to inform the development of tobacco cessation programs for youth, and to evaluate the effectiveness of existing interventions and programs.

CDC plans to request OMB approval to conduct additional cycles of the NYTS in 2018, 2019, and 2020. CDC will conduct the survey among nationally representative samples of students attending public and private schools in grades 6–12, and administer to students either as an optically scannable booklet of multiple-choice

questions or as a digitally-based survey. CDC will also collect information supporting the NYTS from state-, district-, and school-level administrators and teachers. During the 2018–2020 timeframe, changes will be incorporated that reflect CDC’s ongoing collaboration with FDA and the need to measure progress toward meeting strategic goals established by the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act. Information collection will occur annually and may include a number of new questions, as well as increased representation of minority youth.

The survey will examine the following topics: Use of cigarettes, cigars, smokeless tobacco, electronic cigarettes, hookahs, pipes, bidis, snus, and dissolvable tobacco products; knowledge and attitudes; media and advertising; access to tobacco products and enforcement of restrictions on

access; secondhand smoke including e-cigarette aerosol exposure; provision of school- and community-based interventions, and cessation.

CDC will continue to use the results of the NYTS to inform and evaluate the National Comprehensive Tobacco Control Program; provide data to inform the Department of Health and Human Service’s Tobacco Control Strategic Action Plan, and provide national benchmark data for state-level Youth Tobacco Surveys. CDC also expects the information collected through the NYTS to provide multiple measures and data for monitoring progress on six of the 20 tobacco-related objectives (TU–2, 3, 7, 11, 18, and 19) for Healthy People 2020.

CDC seeks to request a three-year OMB approval. There are no costs to respondents other than their time.

**ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS**

Type of respondent	Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden (in hours)
State Administrators .....	State-level Recruitment Script for the NYTS.	38	1	30/60	19
District Administrators .....	District-level Recruitment Script for the NYTS.	153	1	30/60	77
School Administrators .....	School-level Recruitment Script for the NYTS.	240	1	30/60	120
Teachers .....	Data Collection Checklist .....	973	1	15/60	243
Students .....	National Youth Tobacco Survey .....	24,000	1	45/60	18,000
	Testing Activities .....	150	1	31/60	78
<b>Total .....</b>	.....	.....	.....	.....	<b>18,537</b>

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**Agency Forms Undergoing Paperwork Reduction Act Review**

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has submitted the information collection request titled National Notifiable Diseases Surveillance System to the Office of Management and Budget

(OMB) for review and approval. CDC previously published a “Proposed Data Collection Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations” notice on December 26, 2016 to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. CDC received one comment related to the previous notice. This notice serves to allow an additional 30 days for public and affected agency comments.

CDC will accept all comments for this proposed information collection project. The Office of Management and Budget is particularly interested in comments that:

(a) 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;

(b) 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;

(c) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;

(d) 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; and

(e) Assess information collection costs.

To request additional information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the information collection plan and instruments, call (404) 639–7570 or send an email to [omb@cdc.gov](mailto:omb@cdc.gov). Direct written comments and/or suggestions regarding the items contained in this notice to the Attention: CDC Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street NW.,

Washington, DC 20503 or by fax to (202) 395-5806. Provide written comments within 30 days of notice publication.

**Proposed Project**

National Notifiable Diseases Surveillance System (0920-0728, January 31, 2019)—Revision—Center for Surveillance, Epidemiology and Laboratory Services (CELS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

*Background and Brief Description*

The Public Health Services Act (42 U.S.C. 241) authorizes CDC to disseminate nationally notifiable condition information. The National Notifiable Diseases Surveillance System (NNDSS) is based on data collected at the state, territorial and local levels as a result of legislation and regulations in those jurisdictions that require health care providers, medical laboratories, and other entities to submit health-related data on reportable conditions to public health departments. These reportable conditions, which include infectious and non-infectious diseases, vary by jurisdiction depending upon each jurisdiction’s health priorities and needs. Infectious disease agents and environmental hazards often cross geographical boundaries. Each year, the Council of State and Territorial Disease

Epidemiologists (CSTE), supported by CDC, determines which reportable conditions should be designated nationally notifiable or under standardized surveillance and voluntarily submitted to CDC so that information can be shared across jurisdictional boundaries and surveillance and prevention and control activities can be coordinated at regional and national levels.

CDC requests a three-year approval for this Revision, which includes requests to receive: (1) Case notification data from the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and the Republic of Palau (independent nations that operate under a Compact of Free Association with the United States of America that are commonly referred to as “freely associated states”); (2) new laboratory data elements for all conditions; (3) new data elements for all vaccine-preventable diseases (VPDs); (4) new data elements for the following conditions that are already approved: Congenital Rubella Syndrome (CRS), Salmonellosis, Shigellosis, Campylobacteriosis, Shiga toxin-producing Escherichia coli (STEC), Hepatitis, and Hantavirus Pulmonary Syndrome (HPS); (5) case notification data for histoplasmosis which is now under standardized surveillance; (6)

case notification data for Acute Flaccid Myelitis (AFM) which is now under standardized surveillance; and (7) case notification data for all enteric Escherichia coli infections should any of them become nationally notifiable or be placed under standardized surveillance. CDC already has approval to receive case notification data for STEC, which is nationally notifiable.

The burden estimates include the number of hours that the public health department uses to process and send case notification data from their jurisdiction to CDC. Specifically, the burden estimates include separate burden hours incurred for automated and non-automated transmissions, separate weekly burden hours incurred for modernizing surveillance systems as part of NNDSS Modernization Initiative (NMI) implementation, separate burden hours incurred for annual data reconciliation and submission, and separate one-time burden hours incurred for the addition of new diseases and data elements. These estimates are based on information from CDC employees that manage the NMI effort and conduct site visits to provide technical assistance to help the public health departments modernize their surveillance systems. The estimated annual burden is 18,529 hours.

**ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS**

Type of respondents	Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)
States .....	Weekly (Automated) .....	50	52	20/60
States .....	Weekly (Non-automated) .....	10	52	2
States .....	Weekly (NMI Implementation) .....	50	52	4
States .....	Annual .....	50	1	75
States .....	One-time Addition of Diseases and Data Elements .....	50	1	8
Territories .....	Weekly (Automated) .....	1	52	20/60
Territories .....	Weekly, Quarterly (Non-automated) .....	5	56	20/60
Territories .....	Weekly (NMI Implementation) .....	5	52	4
Territories .....	Annual .....	5	1	5
Territories .....	One-time Addition of Diseases and Data Elements .....	1	1	10/60
Freely Associated States .....	Weekly, Quarterly (Non-automated) .....	3	56	20/60
Freely Associated States .....	Annual .....	3	1	5
Cities .....	Weekly (Automated) .....	2	52	20/60
Cities .....	Weekly (Non-automated) .....	2	52	2
Cities .....	Weekly (NMI Implementation) .....	2	52	4
Cities .....	Annual .....	2	1	75
Cities .....	One-time Addition of Diseases and Data Elements .....	2	1	8

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