

Disability Briefing; Closed to public 1:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m. Celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Architectural Barriers Act

ADDRESSES: Meetings will be held at the Access Board Conference Room, 1331 F Street NW, Suite 800, Washington, DC 20004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information regarding the meetings, please contact David Capozzi, Executive Director, (202) 272–0010 (voice); (202) 272–0054 (TTY).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In lieu of its regularly scheduled Board meeting, the Access Board plans to hold a special event celebrating 50 years of the Architectural Barriers Act (ABA). Guest presentations include Judith E. Heumann from the Ford Foundation and federal agencies that issue accessibility standards under the ABA. Registration for this event is not required and members of the public are invited to join the celebration and a reception that follows. This event will be live streamed with captioning. More information about the ABA Anniversary can be found at: <https://www.access-board.gov/news/1935-access-board-to-celebrate-50-years-of-the-architectural-barriers-act>.

All meetings are accessible to persons with disabilities. An assistive listening system, Communication Access Realtime Translation (CART), and sign language interpreters will be available at the ABA anniversary event and committee meetings.

Persons attending Board meetings are requested to refrain from using perfume, cologne, and other fragrances for the comfort of other participants (see www.access-board.gov/the-board/policies/fragrance-free-environment for more information).

You may view the Friday, September 7, 2018 ABA event through a live webcast from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at: www.access-board.gov/webcast.

David M. Capozzi,
Executive Director.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Notice of Public Meeting of the Maryland Advisory Committee; Correction

AGENCY: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Correction: Announcement of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Commission on Civil Rights published a document August 14, 2018, announcing an upcoming Maryland Advisory Committee. The document contained incorrect address to the meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Barbara de La Viez, DFO, at bdelaviez@usccr.gov or 202–376–7533.

CORRECTION: In the **Federal Register** of August 14, 2018, in FR Doc. 2018–17401, on pages 40223–40224 in the first and second columns, delete the “Address” and replace it with Murphy Fine Arts Center, Recital Hall, 2201 Argonne Dr., Baltimore, MD 21251.

Dated: August 20, 2018.

David Mussatt,

Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Census Bureau

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; 2018–2020 Business Research and Development Surveys

AGENCY: U.S. Census Bureau, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: To ensure consideration, written or on-line comments must be submitted on or before October 23, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230 (or via the internet at docpra@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Michael Flaherty, U.S. Census Bureau, HQ–6H149, 4600 Silver Hill Rd., Suitland, MD 20746, (301) 763–7699 (or via the internet at michael.j.flaherty@census.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The U.S. Census Bureau, with support from the National Science Foundation (NSF), plans to conduct the Business Research and Development Survey (BRDS) for the 2018–2020 survey years. The BRDS covers all domestic, non-farm, for-profit businesses with at least 10 paid employees. The BRDS provides the only comprehensive data on Research and Development (R&D) costs and detailed expenses by type and industry.

The Census Bureau has conducted an R&D survey since 1957, collecting primarily financial information on the systematic work companies undertake to discover new knowledge or use existing knowledge to develop new or improved goods and services.

Beginning in 2018, the BRDS will collect new data about R&D on artificial intelligence and geographic detail of companies’ R&D workforce. There is increasing interest among domestic policy-makers and in the international community, as well as among U.S. researchers in academia, government and industry, for more data on artificial intelligence. Domestic and foreign geographic information for R&D workforce will address Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) requests on inputs for enhanced estimation and evaluation of gross domestic product by state, foreign direct investment in the U.S., and U.S. direct investment abroad.

The 2018–2020 BRDS will continue to collect the following types of information:

- R&D expense based on accepted accounting standards.
- Worldwide R&D of domestic companies.
- Business segment detail.
- R&D-related capital expenditures.
- Detailed data about the R&D workforce.
- R&D strategy and data on the potential impact of R&D on the market.
- R&D directed to application areas of particular national interest.
- Data measuring intellectual property protection activities and technology transfer.

Domestic and foreign researchers in academia, business, and government analyze and cite data from the BRDS. Among the federal government users are the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) and the White House’s Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP). BEA includes R&D in the system of national accounts that measures the economic well-being of the country. BRDS data are key inputs into these accounts, which feed into the calculation of the U.S. Gross Domestic Product (GDP). The