

coverage for the universe of permit issuing places. We anticipate having accurate and up to date coverage for the universe for over 85% of jurisdictions as a result of these combined operations.

We use the information to verify the existence of new permit systems or changes to existing systems. Based on the information, the Census Bureau adds new permit-issuing places to the universe, deletes places no longer issuing permits, and makes changes to the universe to reflect those places that have merged.

Failure to maintain the universe of permit-issuing places would result in deficient samples and inaccurate statistics. This in turn jeopardizes the accuracy of the above-mentioned economic indicators. These indicators are closely monitored by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and other economic policy makers because of the sensitivity of the housing industry to changes in interest rates.

*Affected Public:* State, Local, or Tribal government.

*Frequency:* Every five years with annual follow-up, as needed.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Voluntary.

*Legal Authority:* Title 13 U.S.C., Sections 131 and 182.

This information collection request may be viewed at [www.reginfo.gov](http://www.reginfo.gov). Follow the instructions to view the Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function and entering either the title of the collection or the OMB Control Number 0607–0350.

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**Bureau of the Census**

**2020 Census Tribal Consultation; Virtual Public Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of virtual public meeting and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of the Census (Census Bureau) will conduct its first calendar year 2021 tribal consultation meeting on February 18 via national webinar. The tribal consultation meeting reflects the Census Bureau's commitment to strengthen government-to-government relationships with federally recognized tribes. The Census Bureau will provide updates and seek input on the 2020 Census Disclosure Avoidance System (DAS). In preparation for the webinar, the Census Bureau request comments on various questions related to tribes' use of decennial census data.

**DATES:** The Census Bureau will conduct the tribal consultation webinar on Thursday, February 18, 2021, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. EST. Any questions or topics to be considered in the tribal consultation meetings must be received in writing via email or fax by Thursday, February 18.

**ADDRESSES:** The Census Bureau tribal consultation webinar meeting will be held via the WebEx platform at the following presentation link: <https://uscensus.webex.com/uscensus/onstage/g.php?MTID=e83f743e02f061c59b12ef423aee8a8b6>.

If the webinar requires a password, type Census#1. For audio, please call the following number: 1–877–717–2157. When prompted, please use the following Participant Code: 5229469.

Please direct all written comments via email or fax to Dee Alexander, Tribal Affairs Coordinator, Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs, Intergovernmental Affairs Office, U.S. Census Bureau Washington, DC 20233; fax (301) 763–3780; or by email at [Dee.A.Alexander@census.gov](mailto:Dee.A.Alexander@census.gov) or [ocia.tao@census.gov](mailto:ocia.tao@census.gov).

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

The Census Bureau's procedures for outreach, notice, and consultation ensure involvement of tribes, to the extent practicable and permitted by law, before making decisions or implementing policies, rules, or programs that affect federally

recognized tribal governments. These meetings are open to citizens of federally recognized tribes by invitation.

The Census Bureau's Decennial Directorate and the Intergovernmental Affairs Office have been responsible for the development and implementation of outreach and promotion activities to assist in obtaining a complete and accurate census count in 2020 among all residents, including the American Indian and Alaska Native populations. This program is one part of the overall outreach and promotion efforts directed at building awareness about the importance of the Census Bureau's commitment to produce quality 2020 Census American Indian and Alaska Native data for all tribal communities and organizations.

In accordance with Executive Order 13175, Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments, issued November 6, 2000, the Census Bureau has adhered to its tribal consultation policy by seeking the input of tribal governments in the planning and implementation of the 2020 Census with the goal of ensuring the most accurate counts and data for the American Indian and Alaska Native population. The Census Bureau conducted one national tribal consultation webinar in September 2019 and two formal tribal consultation meetings in October 2019 and February 2020 specific to the 2020 Census Disclosure Avoidance System. The February 18 national webinar will provide a forum for tribes to receive an update and to provide input on the 2020 Census Disclosure Avoidance System regarding work done specifically for the American Indian and Alaska Native tribal areas.

For more information, please see the following URL link: <https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/decennial-census/2020-census/planning-management/2020-census-data-products/2020-das-updates.html>.

In preparation for the February 18 webinar, we are seeking comments in response to the specific questions on the 2020 Census Disclosure Avoidance System and the American Indian and Alaska Native Geography Hierarchy.

**Request for Comments**

*Question 1*

How does your tribe use data from the redistricting (Pub. L. 94–171) data product? Please be specific as to the use, variable(s), and level(s) of geography.

Example: Our tribal government uses total population counts at the Census tract level, as a percentage of the total state population, to apply for state administered social assistance grants.

*Question 2*

How does your tribe use data from the Demographic Profiles and Demographic and Housing Characteristics data products? Please be specific as to the use, variable(s), and level(s) of geography.

Example: Our native village uses average household size and race/ethnicity composition at the block group level to apply for state administered housing grants, which accounted for 27% of our annual housing assistance budget in 2019.

*Question 3*

With the understanding that protecting the privacy of Census respondents requires that some uncertainty/noise be added to the data (as it has been in prior Censuses), which of the use cases that you identified in question #1 are most important to your tribe?

*Question 4*

With the understanding that protecting the privacy of Census respondents requires that some uncertainty/noise be added to the data (as it has been in prior Censuses), at what level of statistical uncertainty would the tabulations included in the redistricting (Pub. L. 94–171), Demographic Profiles, or Demographic and Housing Characteristics files no longer be usable for the use cases that you identified in question #1.

Example: If total population at the Census tract level differed from the enumerated count by more than  $\pm 3\%$ , our tribe would be obligated to rely on other data sources as evidence to support our grant applications.” Or “If the AIAN Alone or in Combination population of our county differed from the enumerated count by more than 10 persons, we would be unable to rely upon the data for our tribe’s demographic projections because they would be less accurate than the data we collect ourselves.

Steven D. Dillingham, Director, Bureau of the Census, approved the publication of this Notice in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: January 14, 2021.

**Sheleen Dumas,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****Bureau of Industry and Security**

**Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Request for Investigation Under Section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Industry and Security, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of Information Collection, request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed, and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public’s reporting burden. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days of public comment preceding submission of the collection to OMB.

**DATES:** To ensure consideration, comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before March 22, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments by email to Mark Crace, IC Liaison, Bureau of Industry and Security, at [mark.crace@bis.doc.gov](mailto:mark.crace@bis.doc.gov) or to [PRAComments@doc.gov](mailto:PRAComments@doc.gov). Please reference OMB Control Number 0694–0120 in the subject line of your comments. Do not submit Confidential Business Information or otherwise sensitive or protected information.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Requests for additional information or specific questions related to collection activities should be directed to Mark Crace, IC Liaison, Bureau of Industry and Security, phone 202–482–8093 or by email at [mark.crace@bis.doc.gov](mailto:mark.crace@bis.doc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****I. Abstract**

Upon request, BIS will initiate an investigation to determine the effects of imports of specific commodities on the national security and will make the findings known to the President for possible adjustments to imports through tariffs. The findings are made publicly available and are reported to Congress. The purpose of this collection is to account for the public burden associated with the surveys distributed to determine the impact on national security.

These surveys are designed to gather information so that BIS can evaluate the impact of foreign imports of strategic commodities on the national security of the United States. Each Section 232 study is for a specific commodity or technology that is required for national security reasons (*e.g.*, precision bearings, microprocessors, machine tools, etc). These surveys attempt to determine the size of the domestic U.S. industry, how the domestic U.S. industry has been effected by foreign imports, demand for the commodity during peacetime, demand during wartime, the ability of the U.S. domestic industry to meet a surge in demand during wartime, and the potential impact on U.S. national security if wartime demand cannot be met by domestic U.S. suppliers.

**II. Method of Collection**

BIS custom-designs unique instruments for each Section 232 survey. The method of collection could be via paper or electronic.

**III. Data**

*OMB Control Number:* 0694–0120.

*Form Number(s):* None.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 800.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 15 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 12,000.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* 0.

*Respondent’s Obligation:* Mandatory.

*Legal Authority:* Section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act.

**IV. Request for Comments**

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department/Bureau to: (a) Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) Evaluate ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request