

It measures, for example, time spent with children, working, sleeping, or doing leisure activities. In the United States, several existing Federal surveys collect income and wage data for individuals and families, and analysts often use such measures of material prosperity as proxies for quality of life. Time-use data substantially augment these quality-of-life measures. The data also can be used in conjunction with wage data to evaluate the contribution of non-market work to national economies. This enables comparisons of production between nations that have different mixes of market and non-market activities.

The ATUS develops nationally representative estimates of how people spend their time. Respondents also report who was with them during activities, where they were, how long each activity lasted, and if they were paid. All of this information has numerous practical applications for sociologists, economists, educators, government policymakers, businesspersons, health researchers, and others, potentially answering the following questions:

- Do the ways people use their time vary across demographic and labor force characteristics, such as age, sex, race, ethnicity, employment status, earnings, and education?
- How much time do parents spend in the company of their children, either actively providing care or being with them while socializing, relaxing, or doing other things?
- How are earnings related to leisure time—do those with higher earnings spend more or less time relaxing and socializing?
- Where do people work—at a workplace, in their homes, or someplace else?
- How does the way people use their time affect their health, safety, and well-being?

The ATUS data are collected on an ongoing, monthly basis, so time series data will eventually become available, allowing analysts to identify changes in how people spend their time.

II. Current Action

Office of Management and Budget clearance is being sought for the ATUS. This survey collects information on how individuals in the United States use their time. Collection is done on a continuous basis with the sample drawn monthly. The survey sample is drawn from households completing their final month of interviews for the Current Population Survey (CPS). Households are selected to ensure a representative demographic sample, and one

individual from each household is selected to take part in one Computer Assisted Telephone Interview. In this interview, respondents are asked to report all of their activities for one pre-assigned 24-hour day, which is the day prior to the interview. A short series of summary questions and CPS updates follow the core time diary collection. After each full year of collection, annual national estimates of time use for an average weekday or weekend day are available.

Beginning in January 2010, well-being questions sponsored by the National Institute on Aging are proposed to be added to the ATUS. These questions will be included in the survey for 12 months (through December 2010). These questions will ask respondents to rate on a 0-to-6 scale how happy, tired, stressed, sad, and in pain they felt during randomly selected activities. Respondents will not be asked these questions about personal activities. Additional questions will be asked about general health, use of pain medications, and interactions with others.

The data from this module will provide a richer description of work. Specifically, the results will measure how workers feel during work episodes compared to nonwork episodes, and how often and with whom workers interact on the job. The results also can be used to measure whether the amount of pain varies by occupation and disability status. These data will also allow for research into how pain and aging affect time usage.

Because the ATUS sample is a subset of households completing interviews for the CPS, the same demographic information collected from that survey is available for ATUS respondents. Comparisons of activity patterns across characteristics such as sex, race, age, disability status, and education of the respondent, as well as the presence of children and the number of adults living in the respondent's household, are possible.

III. Desired Focus of Comments

The Bureau of Labor Statistics is particularly interested in comments that:

- 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.
- 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.

- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

- 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 submissions of responses.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Agency: Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Title: American Time Use Survey.

OMB Number: 1220-0175.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Total Respondents: 13,240.

Frequency: Monthly.

Total Responses: 13,240.

Average Time per Response: 19.75 minutes.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 4,358 hours.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): \$0.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): \$0.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they also will become a matter of public record.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 24th day of March 2009.

Cathy Kazanowski,

*Chief, Division of Management Systems,
Bureau of Labor Statistics.*

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Bureau of Labor Statistics

Data Users Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting and Agenda

The first meeting of the Data Users Advisory Committee will be held Thursday, April 23, 2009. The meeting will be held in the Postal Square Building, 2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE., Washington, DC.

The Data Users Advisory Committee is a technical committee composed of data users from various sectors of the U.S. economy, including labor, business, research, academic and government communities. Committee members are called upon to provide advice on technical matters related to the collection, tabulation, and analysis of the Bureau's statistics, on its published reports, and on the broader

aspects of its overall mission and function.

The meeting will be held in Meeting Room 1 of the Postal Square Building Conference Center. The schedule and agenda for the meeting are as follows:

8:30 Registration
9:00 Opening Remarks and introductions
10:15 Discussion of future priorities
11:15 BLS Web site redesign
1:15 BLS product initiatives
2:45 Debunking myths about BLS data series
4:45 Conclusion

The meeting is open to the public. Any questions concerning the meeting should be directed to Tracy A. Jack, Data Users Advisory Committee, on 202-691-5869. Individuals with disabilities, who need special accommodations, should contact Ms. Jack at least two days prior to the meeting date.

Signed at Washington, DC, the 25th day of March 2009.

Philip L. Rones,

Deputy Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice (09-032)]

Notice of Intent To Grant Exclusive License

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of intent to grant exclusive license.

SUMMARY: This notice is issued in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209(c)(1) and 37 CFR 404.7(a)(1)(i). NASA hereby gives notice of its intent to grant an exclusive license in the United States to practice the inventions described and claimed in U.S. Patent No. 6,763,083 "Article Screening System" to GaN Corporation, having its principal place of business in Huntsville, AL. The patent rights in this invention have been assigned to the United States of America as represented by the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. The prospective exclusive license will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. NASA has not yet made a determination to grant the requested license and may deny the requested license even if no objections are submitted within the comment period.

DATES: The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless, within fifteen (15) days from the date of this published notice, NASA receives written objections including evidence and argument that establish that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. Competing applications completed and received by NASA within fifteen (15) days of the date of this published notice will also be treated as objections to the grant of the contemplated exclusive license.

Objections submitted in response to this notice will not be made available to the public for inspection and, to the extent permitted by law, will not be released under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552.

ADDRESSES: Objections relating to the prospective license may be submitted to Mr. James J. McGroary, Chief Patent Counsel/LS01, Marshall Space Flight Center, Huntsville, AL 35812, (256) 544-0013.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sammy A. Nabors, Technology Transfer Program Office/ED03, Marshall Space Flight Center, Huntsville, AL 35812, (256) 544-5226. Information about other NASA inventions available for licensing can be found online at <http://technology.nasa.gov>.

Dated: March 20, 2009.

Richard W. Sherman,

Deputy General Counsel.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Advisory Committee for Environmental Research and Education; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

Name: Advisory Committee for Environmental Research and Education (9487).

Dates: April 27, 2009, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and April 28, 2009, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Place: Stafford I, Room 1235, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Virginia 22230.

Type of Meeting: Open.

Contact Person: Alan Tessier, National Science Foundation, Suite 635, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Virginia 22230. Phone 703-292-7198.

Minutes: May be obtained from the contact person listed above.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice, recommendations, and oversight concerning

support for environmental research and education.

Agenda:

April 27

Introduction of new members.

Update on budget and recent NSF environmental activities.

Discussion with Dr. Timothy L. Killeen, NSF Assistant Director for Geosciences.

Presentation by Dr. Stephanie Pfirman, Barnard College.

Discussion with Dr. Arden L. Bement, NSF Director.

April 28

Discussion of the Committee's report:

Transitions and Tipping Points in Complex Environmental Systems.

Discussion of future AC/ERE activities.

Dated: March 24, 2009.

Susanne Bolton,

Committee Management Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Proposal Review Panel for Materials Research; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463 as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

Name: Site Visit review of the Materials Research Science and Engineering Center (MRSEC) at Yale University, also called Center for Research on Interface Structures and Phenomena, by NSF Division of Materials Research (DMR) #1203.

Dates & Times: Thursday, May 7, 2009; 7:45 a.m.-9 p.m.; Friday, May 8, 2009; 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Place: Yale University, New Haven, CT.

Type of Meeting: Part-open.

Contact Person: Dr. Thomas Rieker, Program Director, Materials Research Science and Engineering Centers Program, Division of Materials Research, Room 1065, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230, Telephone (703) 292-8428.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations concerning further support of the MRSEC at Yale University.

Agenda:

Thursday, May 7, 2009

7:45 a.m.-9 a.m. Closed—Executive Session.

9 a.m.-4:15 p.m. Open—Review of the Yale MRSEC.

4:15 p.m.-6 p.m. Closed—Executive Session.

6 p.m.-9 p.m. Open—Poster Session and Dinner.

Friday, May 8, 2009

8 a.m.-9 a.m. Closed—Executive session.

9 a.m.-9:45 a.m. Open—Review of the Yale MRSEC.