

by contacting the individual listed below in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the Addresses section below on or before December 3, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Carol Rowan, BLS Clearance Officer, Division of Management Systems, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Room 4080, 2 Massachusetts Avenue NE., Washington, DC 20212. Written comments also may be transmitted by fax to 202-691-5111 (this is not a toll-free number).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carol Rowan, BLS Clearance Officer, 202-691-7628 (this is not a toll free number). (See Addresses section.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The CPS has been the principal source of the official Government statistics on employment and unemployment for over 70 years. The labor force information gathered through the survey is of paramount importance in keeping track of the economic health of the Nation. The survey is the only source of monthly data on total employment and unemployment. The Employment Situation news release contains data from this survey and is designated as a Principal Federal Economic Indicator (PFEI). Moreover, the survey also yields data on the characteristics of persons not in the labor force. The CPS data are used monthly, in conjunction with data from other sources, to analyze the extent to which, and with what success, the various components of the American population are participating in the economic life of the Nation.

The labor force data gathered through the CPS are provided to users in the greatest detail possible, in conjunction with the demographic information obtained in the survey. In brief, the labor force data can be broken down by sex, age, race, ethnicity, marital status, family composition, educational level, disability status, and other characteristics. Through such breakdowns, one can focus on the employment situation of specific population groups as well as on general trends in employment and unemployment. Information of this type can be obtained only through demographically oriented surveys such as the CPS.

The basic CPS data also are used as an important platform on which to base the data derived from the various supplemental questions that are

administered in conjunction with the survey. By coupling the basic data from the monthly survey with the special data from the supplements, one can get valuable insights on the behavior of American workers and on the social and economic health of their families.

There is wide interest in the monthly CPS data among Government policymakers, legislators, economists, the media, and the general public. While the data from the CPS are used in conjunction with data from other surveys in assessing the economic health of the Nation, they are unique in various ways. Specifically, they are the basis for much of the monthly Employment Situation report, a PFEI. They provide a monthly, nationally representative measure of total employment, including farm work, self-employment, and unpaid family work; other surveys are generally restricted to the nonagricultural wage and salary sector, or provide less timely information. The CPS provides data on all job seekers, and on all persons outside the labor force, while payroll-based surveys cannot, by definition, cover these sectors of the population. Finally, the CPS data on employment, unemployment, and on persons not in the labor force can be linked to the demographic characteristics of the many groups that make up the Nation's population, while the data from most other surveys are devoid of demographic information. Many groups, both in the government and in the private sector, are eager to analyze this wealth of demographic and labor force data.

II. Current Action

Office of Management and Budget clearance is being sought for the Current Population Survey (CPS). A revision of a currently approved collection is needed to provide the Nation with timely information about the labor force status of the population. The CPS sample has been redesigned based on information from the 2010 decennial census, in accordance with usual practice. Historically, the CPS sample has been redesigned after each decennial census.

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: Current Population Survey (CPS).

OMB Number: 1220-0100.

Affected Public: Households.

Total Respondents: 55,000 per month.

Frequency: Monthly.

Total Responses: 660,000.

Average Time per Response: 7.5 minutes.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 82,500 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 30th day of September, 2013.

Eric Molina,

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

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NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

Notice of Procedures To Be Followed in the Event Board Offices Are Closed Due to a Lapse in Appropriated Funds

AGENCY: National Labor Relations Board.

ACTION: The National Labor Relations Board is issuing this notice to advise the public of procedures to be followed in the event that Board offices are closed, in compliance with the Anti-Deficiency Act, 31 U.S.C. 1341, *et seq.*, due to a lapse in appropriated funds.

1. Timeliness and Filing of Charges, Petitions and Other Papers During a Shutdown

In the event the Board's offices are closed due to a lapse in appropriated funds, documents may not be filed electronically at www.nlrb.gov. The Board hereby grants, sua sponte, an extension of time to file or serve any document for which the grant of an extension is permitted by law. The terms of the extension are that for each day on which the Agency's offices are closed for all or any portion of the day, one day shall be added to the time for filing or service of the document.

Extensions of time for filing cannot apply to the 6-month period provided by Section 10(b) of the Act for the filing of charges, 29 U.S.C. 160(b), or to Applications for awards of fees and other expenses under the Equal Access to Justice Act, 5 U.S.C. 504. However, with respect to time computations for filing and serving charges filed pursuant to Section 10(b) or applications filed pursuant to the Equal Access to Justice Act, the Board hereby gives notice of its intention to construe the phrase "Saturday, Sunday, or a legal holiday" in its rules pertaining to filing and service, Section 102.111(a), 29 CFR 102.111(a), to encompass any day on which the Agency's offices are closed for all or any portion of the day due to lack of appropriated funds.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, persons wishing to file a charge pursuant to Section 10(b) of the Act, and for whom the 6-month period of Section 10(b) may expire during the interruption in the Board's normal operations, are cautioned that the operation of Section 10(b) during an interruption in the Board's normal operations is uncertain. Consequently, it would be prudent to file the charge during the interruption in the Board's operations by faxing a copy of the charge to the appropriate Regional Office. The fax numbers for Regional Offices may be found on the Agency's Web site, www.nlrb.gov.

Moreover, persons filing a charge are reminded that it is their responsibility, pursuant to Section 102.14 of the Board's Rules and Regulations, 29 CFR 102.14, to serve a copy of the charge upon the person against whom the charge is made. While Regional Directors ordinarily serve a copy of the charge on a person against whom the charge is made as a matter of courtesy, they do not assume responsibility for such service, and it is unlikely that the Agency will be able to serve charges during any period of shutdown due to a lapse in appropriated funds.

2. Postponement of Unfair Labor Practice Hearings Before Administrative Law Judges

In the event the Board's offices are closed due to a lapse in appropriated funds, the parties to hearings before an Administrative Law Judge scheduled for the first week of the closure will be notified that the hearing has been postponed.

In every case with a hearing scheduled to begin during the week of October 7, 2013, if by the close of business on Friday, October 4, 2013, there has been no appropriations bill enacted into law or legislation authorizing the Board to operate during the week of October 7, 2013, the hearing will be postponed indefinitely.

In every case with a hearing scheduled to begin on or after October 14, 2013, if by the close of business on the Monday preceding the Monday of the week in which the hearing is scheduled there has been no appropriations bill enacted into law or legislation authorizing the Board to operate during the week in which the hearing is scheduled, then the hearing will be postponed indefinitely. For example, if there has been no appropriations bill enacted by the close of business Monday, October 7, 2013, all hearings scheduled for the week of October 14, 2013 will be postponed indefinitely.

3. Postponement of Representation Elections and Hearings

All elections and pre and post election hearings scheduled to be conducted any day from October 1, through October 11, 2013 have been postponed indefinitely.

In the event the Board's offices are closed due to a lapse in appropriated funds, in every case with an election or pre or post election hearing scheduled to be conducted on or after October 14, 2013, if by the close of business on the Tuesday preceding the Monday of the week in which the election or pre or post election hearing is scheduled there has been no appropriations bill enacted into law or legislation authorizing the Board to operate during the week in which the election or pre or post election hearing is scheduled to be conducted, then the election or pre or post election hearing will be postponed indefinitely. For example, if there has been no appropriations bill enacted by the close of business Tuesday, October 8, 2013, all elections and pre and post election hearings scheduled to be conducted during the week of October 14, 2013 will be postponed indefinitely.

In each case until the election is postponed per the schedule noted

above, it is the Employer's obligation to post the Notice of Election for 3 full working days prior to the day of the election and failure to do so shall be grounds for setting aside the election.

4. Notice To Be Posted in the Event of a Shutdown Due to a Lapse in Appropriated Funds

In the event the Board's offices are closed due to a lapse in appropriated funds, the Board will post this notice on its Web site, www.nlrb.gov. A related notice will be posted at each of its offices to advise the public of procedures to be followed during the period of the shutdown. In addition, the recorded message set forth below will be available on the main phone numbers in each of the Agency's offices to provide persons with information regarding how to contact the Agency during the shutdown: "You have reached [OFFICE NAME] at the National Labor Relations Board. The Agency is currently closed due to a lapse in appropriated funds. You may leave a message after the tone, but this voicemail will not be monitored during the shutdown, and your call will not be returned until after the Agency resumes normal operations. Please consult the Agency Web site at www.nlrb.gov for information on the effect of the shutdown on filing deadlines, scheduled hearings, representation elections, and the timeliness of charges and petitions. If you are calling about an imminent threat to human life or property as a result of a violation of the National Labor Relations Act, you should call (202) 273-1000, send a fax to (202) 273-4483, or send an email to EmergencyContact@NLRB.gov. Thank you."

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gary Shinnars, Executive Secretary, National Labor Relations Board, 1099 14th Street NW., Washington, DC 20570, (202) 273-3737 (this is not a toll-free number), 1-866-315-6572 (TTY/TDD).

By direction of the Board.

Dated: Washington, DC, October 1, 2013.

William B. Cowen,
Solicitor.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Advisory Committee for Computer and Information Science and Engineering; Notice of Meeting

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