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Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed collection; comment request

ACTION: 60-day notice of information collection under review: Extension of a currently approved collection: Research to support the National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS)

The Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The proposed information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for “sixty days” until [Insert date of the 60th day from the date that this notice is published in the Federal Register]. This process is in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

If you have comments especially on the estimated public burden or associated response time, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions or additional information, please contact Shannan Catalano, Statistician (202) 616-3502, Bureau of Justice Statistics, 810 Seventh St. NW, Washington, DC 20531.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

- 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; and
- 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.

Overview of this information collection:

(1) Type of information collection: Extension of a currently approved collection.

(2) Title of the Form/Collection: Methodological research to support the redesign of the National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS).

(3) Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the department sponsoring the collection: Form numbers not available for generic clearance, Bureau of Justice Statistics, Office of Justice Programs, Department of Justice.

(4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract.

Primary: Persons ages 12 or older in sampled households in the United States. \

(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond/reply: Approximately 50,200 persons ages 12 or older will be interviewed for some aspect of the redesign research. The average length of interview will vary by the type of interview conducted. Completing the crime screener and incident report is estimated to take 15-30 minutes, while a cognitive interview for testing alternative methods for measuring sexual violence may take 1-2 hours.

(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: The total respondent burden is approximately 18,341 hours.

If additional information is required, contact: Jerri Murray, Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Justice Management Division, Policy and Planning Staff, Two Constitution Square, 145 N Street, NE., Suite 2E-508, Washington, DC 20530.

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