



DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Comments are requested regarding; whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to 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.

Comments regarding this information collection received by [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER] will be considered. 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. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

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Economic Research Service

Title: Food Security Supplement to the Current Population Survey

OMB Control Number: 0536-0043

Summary of Collection: The Economic Research Service (ERS) will be conducting an annual Food Security Supplement to the Current Population Survey (CPS-FSS). The mission of ERS is to provide timely research and analysis to public and private decision makers on topics related to agriculture, food, the environment, and rural America. ERS has provided estimates for the prevalence of food security among households in the United States for the last 30 years. These estimates capture U.S. households' consistent access to enough food for an active, healthy life for all members, meaning, they are food secure. This survey supplement is the official source of information on food security in the United States and is used by ERS to report annually on the prevalence of food security among the U.S. population.

Need and Use of the Information: The data collected by the CPS-FSS will be used for monitoring the prevalence of food security, food insecurity, and very low food security within the U.S. population as a whole and in selected population subgroups; conducting research on causes of food insecurity and the role of Federal food and nutrition programs in ameliorating food insecurity; and continuing development and improvement of methods for measuring these conditions. Information will be collected on food spending, use of Federal and community food and nutrition assistance programs, difficulties in obtaining adequate food during the previous 12 months and 30 days due to constrained resources, and conditions that result from inadequate access to food.

Description of Respondents: Individuals or Households

Number of Respondents: 51,937

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Annually

Total Burden Hours: 6,559

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