



## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0495]

### Agency Information Collection Activity under OMB Review: Marital Status

#### Questionnaire

**AGENCY:** Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden, and it includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent by [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

**ADDRESSES:** To submit comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection, please type the following link into your browser:

[www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain), select "Currently under Review - Open for Public Comments", then search the list for the information collection by Title or "OMB Control No. 2900-0495."

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** VA PRA information: Dorothy Glasgow, 202-461-1084, [VAPRA@va.gov](mailto:VAPRA@va.gov)

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Marital Status Questionnaire (VA Form 21P-0537).

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-0495 <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRASearch>

*Type of Review:* Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* The VA Form 21P-0537, Marital Status Questionnaire, is used to confirm the marital status of a surviving spouse in receipt of Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC) benefits. If a surviving spouse remarries, he or she is no longer entitled to DIC unless the marriage begins after age 55 or has been terminated. This is an extension. The respondent burden has remained the same.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The *Federal Register* Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published at 90 FR 27071, June 25, 2025.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or Households.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 230.

*Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent:* 5 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* One time.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 2,756.

*Authority:* 44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.

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