



DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

[Docket ID: USN-2026-HQ-0133]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: 60-day information collection notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the Naval Sea Systems Command announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

Mail: Department of War, Office of the Director of Administration and Management, Privacy, Civil Liberties, and Transparency Directorate, Regulatory Division, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Mailbox #24, Suite 05F16, Alexandria, VA 22350-1700.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this Federal Register document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to Naval Sea Systems Command Maritime Industrial Base (MIB) Program, 1333 Isaac Hull Ave SE, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20376; ATTN: Mr. Matthew Evans, or call 202-781-0000.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

TITLE; ASSOCIATED FORM; AND OMB NUMBER: Shipbuilding Industrial Base Demographics Survey; OMB Control Number 0703-0086.

NEEDS AND USES: The Department of the Navy is collecting this information to analyze the demographics, training requirements, and occupational experience of the shipbuilding defense industrial base. This collection is necessary to comply with Section 1026 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021, which mandates a biennial report to Congress on this topic.

The collected data will be used to draft the biennial congressional report and to inform the Navy's strategy for funding workforce development initiatives. The analysis will identify current trends, projected experience gaps, and other key demographic factors to help strengthen the shipbuilding workforce. The information is collected via a Microsoft Excel survey, which is emailed directly to suppliers by the Naval Sea Systems Command Maritime Industrial Base Program.

The respondents for this survey are private companies and industry organizations that function as suppliers in the shipbuilding industrial base. Without this information, the Navy would be unable

to provide a complete report to Congress or develop effective, data-driven strategies to ensure the health and readiness of the nation's shipbuilding workforce.

AFFECTED PUBLIC: Business or other for-profit.

ANNUAL BURDEN HOURS: 6,075.

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,263.

RESPONSES PER RESPONDENT: 1.

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AVERAGE BURDEN PER RESPONSE: 4.81 hours.

FREQUENCY: Biennially.

Dated: March 27, 2026.

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