

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****Submission for OMB Review;  
Comment Request**

DOC has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

*Agency:* U.S. Census Bureau.

*Title:* Shipper's Export Declaration/Automated Export System.

*Form Number(s):* 7525-V, AES.

*Agency Approval Number:* 0607-0152.

*Type of Request:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

*Burden:* 814,140 hours.

*Number of Respondents:* 223,213.

*Avg. Hours Per Response:* SED—11 minutes; AES—3 minutes.

*Needs and Uses:* The current clearance under Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Number 0607-0152 covers the paper Shipper's Export Declaration (SED) 7525-V, and its electronic equivalent, the Automated Export System (AES) and related documents (e.g., Letter of Intent and AESDirect Registration and Certification). With this submission the U.S. Census Bureau (Census Bureau) is requesting continued clearance for the SED program.

The Census Bureau will accept the paper SED for only a limited period of time during the year 2005. This is due to the expected implementation of mandatory electronic filing of all export information. This requirement is mandated through Public Law 107-228, of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act of 2003.

This law authorizes the Secretary of Commerce with the concurrences of the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Homeland Security to require all persons who file export information according to Title 13, United States Code (U.S.C.), Chapter 9, to file such information through the AES. In June 2004 the Census Bureau and the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) implemented the redesign of the commodity module of the AES in anticipation of the implementation of the mandatory electronic reporting requirement. Since the implementation of the AES Commodity Redesign the following changes have taken place within the AES: Addition of the (1) Routed Transaction Indicator and the (2) Vehicle Identification Qualifier; and the removal of the (1) Waiver of Prior Notice and the (2) Date of Arrival indicators. Other changes that affect corporate business practices include the

following: (1) Corrections must be performed with the "change" or "replace" functions rather than the "delete/add" functions; (2) use of new compliance alert conditions for late filings (3) changes to licensed or used vehicle shipments after departure; (4) commodity filing response messages that provide the text, identification, reason and resolution for conditional situations; (5) use of a verify condition message for sanctioned countries rather than the receipt of a warning message; (6) removal of the Internal Transaction Number (ITN) from the SC2 record for placement in the ES1 response message output record; and (7) inclusion of a severity indicator to the ES1 record. In addition to the changes, most warning error messages were converted to fatal errors. The revisions should not affect the average three-minute response time for the completion of the AES record. There will be no changes to the paper SED, therefore there is no expected change to the existing eleven-minute response time to complete this form.

The Census Bureau will allow the trade community to continue using the paper SED until the actual implementation of the mandatory electronic filing requirement occurs. This is expected later during the year 2005. Currently, the Census Bureau is involved in the rulemaking process that will notify the trade community of the mandatory requirement for electronic filing.

The SED form and its electronic equivalent the AES record provide the means for collecting data on U.S. exports. Title 13, U.S.C., Chapter 9, Sections 301-307, mandates the collection of these data. The regulatory provisions for the collection of these data are contained in the Foreign Trade Statistics Regulations, Title 15, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 30. The official export statistics collected from these tools provide the basic component for the compilation of the U.S. position on merchandise trade. These data are an essential component of the monthly totals on U.S. International Trade in Goods and Services, a principal economic indicator and primary component of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP).

The data collected from the SED and the AES record are also used for export control purposes under Title 50, U.S.C., Export Administration Act, to detect and prevent the export of certain items by unauthorized parties or to unauthorized destinations or end users.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Mandatory.

*Legal Authority:* Title 13 U.S.C. Chapter 9; Title 15 CFR Part 30.

*OMB Desk Officer:* Susan Schechter, (202) 395-5103.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at [dhynek@doc.gov](mailto:dhynek@doc.gov)).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Susan Schechter, OMB Desk Officer either by fax (202-395-7245) or e-mail ([susan\\_schechter@omb.eop.gov](mailto:susan_schechter@omb.eop.gov)).

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****Census Bureau****Current Industrial Reports Surveys—  
WAVE III (Mandatory and Voluntary  
Surveys)**

**ACTION:** Proposed collection; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before May 17, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at [dhynek@doc.gov](mailto:dhynek@doc.gov)).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to: Judy Dodds, Assistant Chief for Census and Related Programs, (301) 763-4587, Census Bureau, Manufacturing and Construction Division, Room 2101, Building #4,

Washington, DC 20233 (or via the Internet at [judy.m.dodds@census.gov](mailto:judy.m.dodds@census.gov)).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Abstract**

The Census Bureau conducts a series of monthly, quarterly, and annual surveys as part of the Current Industrial Reports (CIR) program. The CIR surveys deal mainly with the quantity and value of shipments of particular products and occasionally with data on production and inventories; unfilled orders, receipts, stocks and consumption; and comparative data on domestic production, exports, and imports of the products they cover. These surveys

provide continuing and timely national statistical data on manufacturing. The results of these surveys are used extensively by individual firms, trade associations, and market analysts in planning or recommending marketing and legislative strategies.

The CIR program includes both mandatory and voluntary surveys. Typically, the monthly and quarterly surveys are conducted on a voluntary basis and annual collections are mandatory. The collection frequency of individual CIR surveys is determined by the cyclical nature of production, the need for frequent trade monitoring, or the use of data in Government economic

indicator series. Some monthly and quarterly CIR surveys have an annual "counterpart" collection. The annual counterpart collects annual data on a mandatory basis from those firms not participating in the more frequent collection.

Due to the large number of surveys in the CIR program, for clearance purposes, the CIR surveys are divided into "waves." One wave is resubmitted for clearance each year. This year the Census Bureau plans to submit mandatory and voluntary surveys of Wave III for clearance. The surveys in Wave III are:

Mandatory surveys	Voluntary survey
M311H—Fats and Oils (Warehouse) ..... M311L—Fats and Oils (Renderers). M311M—Fats and Oils (Consumers). M311N—Fats and Oils (Producers). MA327E—Consumer, Scientific, Technical, and Industrial Glassware. MA333D—Construction Machinery. MA333F—Mining, Machinery and Mineral Processing Equipment. ** MA334B—Selected Instruments & Related Products. ** MA334M—Consumer Electronics. MA334P—Communication Equipment. ** MA334Q—Semiconductors, Printed Circuit Boards, and Other Electronic Components. MA334R—Computers and Office and Accounting Machines. ** MA334S—Electromedical and Irradiation Equipment. ** MA335A—Switchgear, Switchboard Apparatus, Relays, and Industrial Controls.	*M336G—Civil Aircraft and Aircraft Engines.

\* This voluntary survey has mandatory annual counterpart.  
 \*\* Moved from another wave.

**II. Method of Collection**

The Census Bureau will use mail out/mail back survey forms to collect data. We ask respondents to return monthly report forms within 10 days, quarterly report forms within 15 days, and annual report forms within 30 days of the initial mailing. Telephone calls and/or letters encouraging participation will be mailed to respondents who have not responded by the designated time.

**III. Data**

*OMB Number:* 0607-0476.  
*Form Number:* See Chart Above.  
*Type of Review:* Regular Review.  
*Affected Public:* Businesses, or other for-profit organizations.  
*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 9,109.  
*Estimated Time Per Response:* 1.4322 hours.  
*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 13,046 hours.  
*Estimated Total Annual Cost:* The estimated cost to respondents for all the CIR reports in Wave III for fiscal year 2006 is \$217,477.  
*Respondent's Obligation:* The CIR program includes both mandatory and voluntary surveys.

*Legal Authority:* Title 13, United States Code, sections 61, 182, 224, and 225.

**IV. Request for Comments**

*Comments are invited on:* (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**Bureau of the Census**

**Request for Nominations of Member Organizations To Serve on the 2010 Census Advisory Committee**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of request for nominations.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of the Census (Census Bureau) invites and requests nominations of organizations for appointment to the 2010 Census Advisory Committee (2010 CAC). The **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for this notice provides information about the objectives and duties of the advisory committee and membership criteria.

**DATES:** Please submit nominations by April 8, 2005.