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Census Report Shows Benefits of Economy Reaching Americans

WASHINGTON-Today OMB Director Rob Portman issued a statement on the Census Bureau's Income, Poverty and Health Insurance Coverage Release for 2005.

“Our economy has been through a lot – from the 2001 recession to the 9/11 terrorist attacks and the devastation of Katrina. Despite these significant challenges, today’s Census report tells us that in 2005, 90,000 fewer people were living in poverty and real average income rose for families in every income quintile.

“Unemployment is low, wages are rising and there are more jobs in America today than at any other time in history.

“While we still have challenges ahead, our ability to bounce back is a testament to the strong work ethic of the American people, the resiliency of our economy, and pro-growth economic policies, including tax relief.”

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