DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review: Comment Request

September 14, 2005.

The Department of Labor (DOL) has submitted the following public information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35). A copy of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by contacting Darrin King on 202–693–4129 (this is not a toll-free number) or e-mail: king.darrin@dol.gov.

Comments should be sent to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, 202–395–7316 (this is not a toll-free number), within 30 days from the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

The OMB is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- 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, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Agency: Bureau of Labor Statistics. Type of Review: Reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection.

Title: Displaced Worker, Job Tenure, and Occupational Mobility Supplement to CPS.

OMB Number: 1220–0104. Type of Response: Reporting. Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Frequency: Biennially. Number of Respondents: 55,000. Annual Responses: 55,000. Average Response Time: 8 minutes. Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 7.333.

Total Annualized capital/startup costs: \$0.

Total Annual Costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): \$0.

Description: This supplement will gather information on workers who have lost or left their jobs because their plant or company closed or moved, there was insufficient work for them to do, or their position or shift was abolished. For those workers who have been reemployed, the survey will gather data on the types of jobs they found and will compare current earnings with those from the lost job. This will assist in developing training programs that will provide other displaced workers with the skills necessary to adjust to the changing economic environment.

The incidence and nature of occupational changes in the preceding year will be queried. The survey also will obtain information on the length of time workers (including those who have not been displaced) have been with their current employer. Tenure data are used to calculate displacement rates for long-tenured workers so that comparisons can be made over time and among different worker groups. Additional data to be collected include information on the receipt of unemployment compensation, the loss of health insurance coverage, and the length of time spent without a job. In combination, these supplemental data will provide the information needed to assess the economic hardship experienced by displaced workers.

The information collected by this survey will be used to determine the size and nature of the population affected by job displacements and the need for and necessary scope of programs serving adult displaced workers. It will also be used to assess employment stability by determining the length of time workers have been with their current employer and estimating the incidence of occupational change over the course of a year. Combining the questions on displacement, job tenure, and occupational mobility will enable analysts to obtain a more complete picture of employment stability.

Ira L. Mills,

Departmental Clearance Officer. [FR Doc. 05–19015 Filed 9–22–05; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4510–24–P

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Proposed Information Collection Request Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations; Prisoner Reentry Initiative (PRI) Reporting System

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) [44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)]. This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, the reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, the collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. The Employment and Training Administration (ETA) is soliciting comments on the establishment of a reporting and recordkeeping system to support implementation of the Prisoner Reentry Initiative (PRI).

DATES: Submit comments on or before November 22, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to: Mr. Gregg Weltz, Program Manager, Office of Workforce Investment/Office of Youth Services, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Room N4459, Washington, DC 20210; telephone: (202) 693–3527 (this is not a toll-free number); fax: (202) 693–3861; e-mail: weltz.greg@dol.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Gregg Weltz, Program Manager, Office of Workforce Investment/Office of Youth Services, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Room N4459, Washington, DC 20210; telephone: (202) 693–3527 (this is not a toll-free number); fax: (202) 693–3861; e-mail: weltz.greg@dol.gov.

Copies of the Paperwork Reduction Act Submission Package may be obtained directly at the Web site: http://www.doleta.gov/performance/guidance/ombcontrolnumber.cfm.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

In applying for the Prisoner Reentry Initiative grants, Faith-based and Community Organization grantees agree to submit participant data and quarterly aggregate reports for individuals who receive services through PRI programs and their partnerships with One-Stop Centers, local Workforce Investment Boards, employment providers, the criminal justice system, and local housing authorities. The reports will include aggregate data on demographic characteristics, types of services received, placements, outcomes, and follow-up status. Specifically, they summarize data on participants who received employment and placement services, housing assistance, mentoring, and other services essential to reintegrating ex-offenders through PRI programs.

This is a request for approval to implement the reporting and recordkeeping requirements of the Prisoner Reentry Initiative through an ETA-provided, web-based Management Information System (MIS). In addition to reporting participant information and performance-related outcomes, PRI grantees must demonstrate their ability to establish effective partnerships with the criminal justice system, local Workforce Investment Boards, local housing authorities, and other partner agencies. They must also demonstrate the cost effectiveness of their projects. The MIS reporting and recordkeeping system incorporates each of these aspects necessary for program evaluation.

Five outcome measures will be used to measure success in the PRI grants: entered employment rate, employment

retention rate, attainment of a degree or certificate, average six-month postprogram earnings, and recidivism rate. Several of these conform to the common performance measures implemented across federal job training programs as of July 1, 2005. By standardizing the reporting and performance requirements of different programs, the common measures give ETA the ability to compare across programs the core goals of the workforce system—how many people entered jobs; how many stayed employed; and how many successfully completed an educational program. Although the common measures are an integral part of ETA's performance accountability system, these measures provide only part of the information necessary to effectively oversee the workforce investment system. ETA will also collect additional data from PRI grantees on program activities, participants, and outcomes that are necessary for program management and to convey full and accurate information on the performance of PRI programs to policymakers and stakeholders.

This request establishes a reporting and record-keeping system for a minimum level of information collection that is necessary to comply with Equal Opportunity requirements, to hold PRI grantees appropriately accountable for the Federal funds they receive, including common performance measures, and to allow the Department to fulfill its oversight and management responsibilities.

II. Desired Focus of Comments

Currently, the Department is soliciting comments concerning the proposed reporting and recordkeeping system for the PRI in order to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- 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, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

A copy of the proposed ICR can be obtained by contacting the office listed above in the addressee section of this notice

III. Current Actions

Type of Review: New. Agency: Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration.

Title: Prisoner Reentry Initiative (PRI) Reporting System.

Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Number: 1205–0NEW. Affected Public: Faith-based and

Community Organization Grantees.

Cite/Reference: Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (Pub. L. 105–220) sections 172, 185, and 189.

Total Respondents: 30 grantees. Frequency: Quarterly.

ESTIMATED TOTAL BURDEN HOURS

Form/activity	Total respondents	Frequency	Total annual response	Average time per response (hours)	Total annual burden hours
Participant Data Collection	30 30 30 30	Continual Quarterly Quarterly	6,250 120 120 6,490	1.8 16 16	11,250 1,920 1,920 15.090

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): 0. Total Burden Cost (operating/ maintaining): 0.

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

Signed in Washington, DC, on September 17, 2005.

Emily Stover DeRocco,

Assistant Secretary, Employment and Training Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment Standards Administration

Wage and Hour Division

Minimum Wages for Federal and Federally Assisted Construction; General Wage Determination Decisions

General wage determination decisions of the Secretary of Labor are issued in accordance with applicable law and are based on the information obtained by the Department of Labor from its study of local wage conditions and data made available from other sources. They specify the basic hourly wage rates and fringe benefits which are determined to be prevailing for the described classes of laborers and mechanics employed on construction projects of a similar character and in the localities specified therein.

The determinations in these decisions of prevailing rates and fringe benefits have been made in accordance with 29 CFR part 1, by authority of the Secretary of Labor pursuant to the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act of March 3, 1931, as amended (46 Stat. 1494, as amended, 40 U.S.C. 276a) and of other Federal statutes referred to in 29 CFR part 1, Appendix, as well as such additional statutes as may from time to time be enacted containing provisions for the payment of wages determined to be prevailing by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act. The prevailing rates and fringe benefits determined in these decisions shall, in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing statutes, constitute the minimum wages payable on Federal and federally assisted construction projects to laborers and mechanics of the specified classes engaged on contract work of the character and in the localities described therein.

Good cause is hereby found for not utilizing notice and public comment

procedure thereon prior to the issuance of these determinations as prescribed in 5 U.S.C. 553 and not providing for delay in the effective date as prescribed in that section, because the necessity to issue current construction industry wage determinations frequently and in large volume causes procedures to be impractical and contrary to the public interest.

General wage determination decisions, and modification and supersedes decisions thereto, contain no expiration dates and are effective from the date of notice in the "Federal Register", or on the date written notice is received by the agency, whichever is earlier. These decisions are to be used in accordance with the provisions of 29 CFR parts 1 and 5. Accordingly, the applicable decision, together with any modifications issued, must be made a part of every contract for performance of the described work within the geographic area indicated as required by an applicable Federal prevailing wage law and 29 CFR part 5. The wage rates and fringe benefits, notice of which is published herein, and which are contained in the Government Printing Office (GPO) document entitled "General Wage Determinations Issued Under The Davis-Bacon And Related Acts," shall be the minimum paid by contractors and subcontractors to laborers and mechanics.

Any person, organization, or governmental agency having an interest in the rates determined as prevailing is encouraged to submit wage rate and fringe benefit information for consideration be the Department.

Further information and self-explanatory forms for the purpose of submitting this data may be obtained by writing to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Standards Administration, Wage and Hour Division, Division of Wage Determinations, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room S–3014, Washington, DC 20210.

New General Wage Determination Decisions

The number of decisions added to the Government Printing Office document entitled "General Wage Determinations Issued Under the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts" are listed by Volume and State:

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