



A Message from the Acting Director, U.S. Census Bureau:

We request your participation with the **Survey of Construction**. The information requested is summary level data on how building permits are issued and maintained. This information helps facilitate the monthly collection and tabulation of permit data for your geographical area.

The Survey of Construction produces a variety of statistics on new residential construction and is partially funded by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The survey produces key estimates, such as starts and completions of new single- and multifamily units and sales of new single-family houses. Government and private entities use these statistics to monitor and evaluate the large and dynamic housing construction industry and to make vital economic decisions.

Information about the authority, confidentiality, and burden of this data collection can be found on the back of this letter.

For assistance with completing this survey, please contact the Philadelphia Regional Office at the contact information below.

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Thank you in advance for your time and participation, and for helping the U.S. Census Bureau measure America's people and economy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Jarmin", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Ron S. Jarmin
Acting Director

Enclosures

OMB Number

This collection has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The eight-digit OMB approval number is 0607-0125 and appears in the top right corner of the paper survey form. Without this approval, we could not conduct this survey.

Authority and Confidentiality

Title 13, United States Code, Sections 131 and 182, authorizes the U.S. Census Bureau to conduct this collection and request your voluntary assistance. These data are subject to provisions of Title 13, United States Code, Section 9(b), which exempts data that are customarily provided in public records from rules of confidentiality.

Burden Estimate Statement

We estimate that it will take from 12 to 18 minutes to complete an interview, with 15 minutes being the average time. Send comments regarding this estimate or any aspect of the collection of this information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to: EID Survey Comments 0607-0125, U.S. Census Bureau, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Room EID-7K181, Washington, DC 20233. You may e-mail comments to eid.rcb.customer.service@census.gov. Be sure to use EID Survey Comments 0607-0125 as the subject.