

Call for Participation

The 2026 Federal Computer Assisted Survey Information Collection (FedCASIC) Workshops will be held virtually on April 21-22, 2026. Participation is open to the government survey community.

We invite proposals for roundtable discussions, self-organized sessions, and individual presentations. Submissions should relate to advances in the use of technology to support data collection in federal government surveys. Please see the list of suggested topics below.

Important dates

November 14, 2025

Abstract submission opens

Registration opens

January 23, 2026

Abstract submission closes

March 6, 2026

Acceptance notifications are sent out

March 20, 2026

Conference program is available

April 20, 2026

Registration closes

April 21-22, 2026

Conference takes place

Submission types

- *Roundtable discussion sessions:* A panel of speakers focused on a common theme, lasting 90 minutes. The discussion should encourage interaction with the attendees. The entire session requires one abstract.
- *Self-organized sessions:* Multiple presentations focused on a common theme, lasting 90 minutes. The session should include at least three presentations as well as time for moderated discussion. Each presentation requires one abstract.
- *Individual presentations:* Oral presentations of original methodological research lasting 20 minutes.

Submission requirements

Submissions must include:

- Title, author names and affiliations, presenter names and affiliations, and an abstract (up to 1,800 characters)
- A brief description of how the methodology applies to computer-assisted data collection in federal government surveys (up to 300 characters)

Submissions will be evaluated on their relevance to the conference theme of technology in survey data collection, the originality and timeliness of the topic, and the clarity of the ideas presented.

Each submission will be assigned an Abstract ID. You may use this ID to update your abstract at any time before submission closes. If you are submitting more than two abstracts as an author or co-author, please consider submitting as a self-organized session.

Formal papers are not required although you are encouraged to submit presentation slides for dissemination to the public on the FedCASIC website.



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Suggested Topics

Data collection methods

- Using online probability and non-probability panels
- Transitioning to online or mixed mode data collection
- Innovative in-person data collection methods
- Addressing data collection management challenges
- AI-assisted data collection
- Advances in self-administered surveys

Analysis of survey collection metadata

- Mining structured and unstructured paradata
- Analyzing keystroke/trace/audit data

Field operations

- Improving response rates using technology
- Engaging respondents using technology (texting, email, social media)
- Reducing respondent burden using technology
- Training in technology use
- Using technology in field operation management

Survey design and respondent experience

- Survey instrument design
- Cognitive testing
- Usability testing
- Accessibility
- Human-centered design

If you have any questions, please contact the 2026 FedCASIC Planning Committee (fedcasic@bls.gov).