

NOTICE OF OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET ACTION

Date 06/23/2015

Department of Commerce
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

FOR CERTIFYING OFFICIAL: Jennifer Jessup
FOR CLEARANCE OFFICER: Jennifer Jessup

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, OMB has taken action on your request received 06/17/2015

ACTION REQUESTED: No material or nonsubstantive change to a currently approved collection

TYPE OF REVIEW REQUESTED: Regular

ICR REFERENCE NUMBER: 201506-0648-008

AGENCY ICR TRACKING NUMBER:

TITLE: Marine Recreational Information Program Fishing Effort Survey

LIST OF INFORMATION COLLECTIONS: See next page

OMB ACTION: Approved without change

OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 0648-0652

The agency is required to display the OMB Control Number and inform respondents of its legal significance in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.5(b).

EXPIRATION DATE: 10/31/2016

DISCONTINUE DATE:

BURDEN:	RESPONSES	HOURS	COSTS
Previous	153,000	25,500	0
New	153,000	25,500	0
Difference			
Change due to New Statute	0	0	0
Change due to Agency Discretion	0	0	0
Change due to Agency Adjustment	0	0	0
Change due to PRA Violation	0	0	0

TERMS OF CLEARANCE: Terms of the previous clearance remain in effect.

OMB Authorizing Official: Dominic J. Mancini
Acting Deputy Administrator,
Office Of Information And Regulatory Affairs

List of ICs

IC Title	Form No.	Form Name	CFR Citation
Resident Angler Survey	NA, NA, NA	FES marked-up, Weather and outdoor activity survey, FES recall survey	
Nonresident Angler Survey	NA, NA	FES marked-up, Weather and outdoor activity survey	
Validation follow-up study	NA, NA	Draft FES validation follow-up questions, Final validation follow-up study survey	

**JUSTIFICATION FOR CHANGE
MRIP FISHING EFFORT SURVEY
OMB CONTROL NO. 0648-0652**

The MRIP Fishing Effort Survey (FES) was designed to be a more accurate and cost effective alternative to the Coastal Household Telephone Survey (CHTS, OMB Control no. 0648-0652), the methodology historically used to collect recreational fishing effort data. We have completed a series of pilot studies testing design alternatives and examining potential sources of error in the FES design. Specifically, we have examined the impact of cash incentives and different versions of the survey instrument on survey response and survey measures and assessed the potential for bias resulting from nonresponse and under-coverage. These studies have resulted in improvements to the FES design and will help explain any observed differences between CHTS and FES estimates as we transition to the new design. We propose one additional, supplemental information collection that will further assess sources of error, specifically measurement error, in the FES design. This information collection, which is described below, will result in further improvements to the FES design and will help us anticipate and explain the impacts of transitioning from the CHTS to the FES.

The anticipated burden for this request is approximately 10,080 respondents, 10,080 responses and 1,680 hours¹. We will accommodate this additional burden by uniformly reducing FES sampling levels among all states and reference waves such that there will be no net increase in overall burden, and no additional respondents contacted.

Recall Study

The FES is a self-administered mail survey that collects recreational fishing effort data from samples of residential addresses. The survey asks household residents to report recreational fishing activity that occurred during a two-month reference wave. The sampling and data collection designs for the Recall Study will be nearly identical to the FES. However, the reference period will be reduced to one month – respondents will be asked to report fishing activity that occurred during a one-month reference wave. We will assess recall error in the FES by comparing FES estimates to Recall Study estimates that have been aggregated to coincide with FES waves (e.g., we will compare one two-month FES estimates to the sum of two one-month Recall Study estimates). Differences between FES and Recall Study estimates can be attributed to differential recall error between the two reference periods and will be an indication that FES estimates are susceptible to recall bias. The Recall Study will also examine the impact of one month waves on the precision and timeliness of recreational fishing effort estimates.

The Recall Study will overlap with the MRIP Fishing Effort Survey (FES) for a period of six months, July-December (three FES waves). The design of the recall study will be nearly identical to that of the FES. For each reference month, a sample of 4,000 residential addresses will be selected from a comprehensive addresses frame maintained by the United States Postal Service. Sampled addresses will be augmented by matching the addresses to state databases of licensed saltwater anglers. This matching screens the sample prior to data collection and allows households with and without anglers to be sampled at different rates. Saltwater fishing activity,

¹ The estimated time per response for the recall study is approximately 10 minutes.

including zero-trip data, will be collected from all occupants of the sampled addresses through a self-administered mail survey design. The data collection period for each month will begin one week prior to the end of the month with an initial survey mailing that includes a cover letter stating the purpose of the survey, a survey questionnaire, a post-paid business reply envelope (BRE), and a prepaid cash incentive. The initial mailing will be followed by a thank you/reminder postcard one week following the initial mailing, and a follow-up mailing, including a second questionnaire, a nonresponse conversion letter, and a BRE, three weeks after the initial mailing. Based upon the results of the FES, we expect this design to yield approximately 1,680 completed household interviews each month. Recreational fishing effort estimates generated through the Recall Study will be compared to FES estimates for the same time period. Differences in effort estimates between the studies will be an indication that the different recall periods result in differential recall error. In addition, we will compare the precision of Recall Study and FES estimates to document the impact of recall period (e.g., temporal stratification) on precision.

Note: This subset of unduplicated respondents, and associated responses, was already part of the previously approved burden for this OMB Control No. That is, fewer people will have been contacted for the full study, and that same number, instead, will participate in the recall study.

PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT CHANGE WORKSHEET

Agency/Subagency	OMB Control Number _____ - _____	
<i>Enter only items that change</i>		
	Current record	New record
Agency form number (s)		
Annual reporting and recordkeeping hour burden		
Number of respondents		
Total annual responses		
Percent of these responses collected electronically	%	%
Total annual hours		
Difference		
Explanation of difference		
Program change		
Adjustment		
Annual reporting and recordkeeping cost burden (in thousands of dollars)		
Total annualized Capital/Startup costs		
Total annual costs (O&M)		
Total annualized cost requested		
Difference		
Explanation of difference		
Program change		
Adjustment		
Other changes**		
Signature of Senior Official or designee:	Date:	For OIRA Use _____ _____

** This form cannot be used to extend an expiration date.

HOUSEHOLD MEMBER 4

- 11** What is this person's gender?
 Male
 Female
- 12** How old is this person?
If less than 1 year, mark 0 years
 Age in years
- 13** Is this person of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?
 Yes, of Hispanic origin
 No, not of Hispanic origin
- 14** What is this person's race? Mark one or more boxes.
 White
 Black, African-American
 Asian
 American Indian or Alaska Native
 Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

Please think only about recreational saltwater fishing in **<Merged State>**.

- 15** How many days did you go recreational saltwater fishing from the **SHORE** in **<Merged State>**?
The shore includes docks, bridges, causeways, beaches, banks, or any other shore-based place or area. Do not include freshwater fishing.
 Did not recreational saltwater fish from shore in last 12 months → **Go to question 16**
 Number of days shore fishing in Jul. of 2015
 Total number of days shore fishing in last 12 months, including Jul.
- 16** How many days did you go recreational saltwater fishing from a private or rental **BOAT** that returned to shore in **<Merged State>**?
Do not include freshwater trips or trips where a paid captain or crew helped locate and catch fish.
 Did not recreational saltwater fish from private boat in last 12 months.
 Number of days boat fishing in Jul. of 2015
 Total number of days boat fishing in last 12 months, including Jul.

If you have more people in your household, continue to Household Member 5.

HOUSEHOLD MEMBER 5

- 11** What is this person's gender?
 Male
 Female
- 12** How old is this person?
If less than 1 year, mark 0 years
 Age in years
- 13** Is this person of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?
 Yes, of Hispanic origin
 No, not of Hispanic origin
- 14** What is this person's race? Mark one or more boxes.
 White
 Black, African-American
 Asian
 American Indian or Alaska Native
 Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

Please think only about recreational saltwater fishing in **<Merged State>**.

- 15** How many days did you go recreational saltwater fishing from the **SHORE** in **<Merged State>**?
The shore includes docks, bridges, causeways, beaches, banks, or any other shore-based place or area. Do not include freshwater fishing.
 Did not recreational saltwater fish from shore in last 12 months → **Go to question 16**
 Number of days shore fishing in Jul. of 2015
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Do not include freshwater trips or trips where a paid captain or crew helped locate and catch fish.
 Did not recreational saltwater fish from private boat in last 12 months.
 Number of days boat fishing in Jul. of 2015
 Total number of days boat fishing in last 12 months, including Jul.

Please return your survey to Gallup in the enclosed postage-paid envelope.

<MERGED STATE>

Weather and Outdoor Activity Survey



Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other suggestions for reducing this burden to Rob Andrews, NOAA Fisheries Service, 1315 East-West Hwy., Silver Spring, MD 20910.

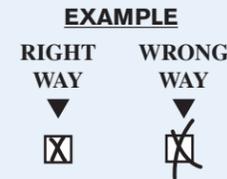
This is a voluntary survey, and responses are kept confidential as required by section 402(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act and NOAA Administrative Order 216-100, Confidentiality of Fisheries Statistics, and will not be released for public use except in aggregate statistical form without identification as to its source. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subjected to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.

This survey should be filled out by an adult member of the household. Complete and return this form even if no one in your household participates in any of these activities.

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Please carefully follow the steps below when completing this survey.

- Use only a blue or black ink pen that does not blot the paper
- Make solid marks inside the response boxes
- Do not make other marks on the survey



1 How do members of this household obtain information about the weather, including current weather conditions, forecasts, and warnings? Mark all that apply.

- Television
- Radio
- Newspaper
- Internet
- Other

2 During the past 12 months, has anyone in this household had to evacuate or seek shelter due to a severe weather event, such as a tornado, hurricane, or thunderstorm?

- Yes
- No

3 In your area, how often do the advanced warnings you get for severe weather events allow you enough time to prepare properly?

- All the time
- Some of the time
- Rarely
- Never

4 During the past 12 months, has anyone in this household visited a public beach, national seashore, coastal state park, or other coastal nature reserve or protected area?

- Yes
- No

5 During the past 12 months, has anyone in this household been freshwater fishing in <merge state>?

- Yes
- No

6 During the past 12 months, has anyone in this household been saltwater fishing in <merge state>?

- Yes
- No

7 Which category best describes the telephone service for you and members of the household?

- Regular or landline phone only
- Cellular phone only
- Both landline and cellular phone
- No working phone service

8 Which of the following best describes this house, apartment, or mobile home?

- Owned with a mortgage or loan
- Owned (without a mortgage)
- Rented
- Occupied without payment or rent

9 How long have you lived at this address?

- 1 year or less
- Less than 5 years, more than 1 year
- 5 years or more

10 How many people, including all adults and children, live in this household?

Number of people

Please answer the next section for each member of your household, starting with yourself. Please answer for all people in your home, including people who fish and people who do not fish.

If you have more than 5 people living at this address, answer for the oldest members of the household.

Please use the calendars to help answer questions 15 and 16.

JUNE 2015							JULY 2015						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6				1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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HOUSEHOLD MEMBER 1 (YOU)

11 What is your gender?

- Male
- Female

12 How old are you?
If less than 1 year, mark 0 years

Age in years

13 Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?

- Yes, of Hispanic origin
- No, not of Hispanic origin

14 What is your race? Mark one or more boxes.

- White
- Black, African-American
- Asian
- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

Please think only about recreational saltwater fishing in <Merged State>.

15 How many days did you go recreational saltwater fishing from the SHORE in <Merged State>?

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Did not recreational saltwater fish from shore in last 12 months → **Go to question 16**

Number of days shore fishing in Jul. of 2015

Total number of days shore fishing in last 12 months, including Jul.

16 How many days did you go recreational saltwater fishing from a private or rental BOAT that returned to shore in <Merged State>?

Do not include freshwater trips or trips where a paid captain or crew helped locate and catch fish.

Did not recreational saltwater fish from private boat in last 12 months.

Number of days boat fishing in Jul. of 2015

Total number of days boat fishing in last 12 months, including Jul.

If you have more people in your household, continue to Household Member 2.

HOUSEHOLD MEMBER 2

11 What is this person's gender?

- Male
- Female

12 How old is this person?
If less than 1 year, mark 0 years

Age in years

13 Is this person of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?

- Yes, of Hispanic origin
- No, not of Hispanic origin

14 What is this person's race? Mark one or more boxes.

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Total number of days boat fishing in last 12 months, including Jul.

If you have more people in your household, continue to Household Member 3.

HOUSEHOLD MEMBER 3

11 What is this person's gender?

- Male
- Female

12 How old is this person?
If less than 1 year, mark 0 years

Age in years

13 Is this person of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?

- Yes, of Hispanic origin
- No, not of Hispanic origin

14 What is this person's race? Mark one or more boxes.

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Did not recreational saltwater fish from shore in last 12 months → **Go to question 16**

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