

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

Our records indicate that we have not received your **2023 Health Insurance Cost Study** response for the Insurance Component of the Medical Expenditure Panel Survey (MEPS-IC). If you have recently submitted your survey, **thank you**. If you have not yet reported, **please do so within 15 days**. Healthcare is an important issue facing the United States. Policymakers and researchers rely on good information to guide our Nation's healthcare system. Your response makes this possible. If you are unable to access the records needed to answer the questions in this survey, please provide your best estimate.

Respond for the address:

To complete the survey online:

1. **Register OR sign in** at <https://portal.census.gov>
2. **Add** your authentication code:
3. **Click on** "Report Now" to start the survey. You can return to your account over multiple sessions to complete the survey.

Learn more about this survey by visiting the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) at: https://meps.ahrq.gov/mepsweb/survey_comp/Insurance.jsp.

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

Thank you!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert L. Santos".

Robert L. Santos
Director

OMB Number

This collection has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The eight-digit OMB approval number is 0935-0110 and appears at the upper right of the survey form/login screen. Without this approval, we could not conduct this survey.

Authority

Section 913 of the Public Health Service Act (Title 42 United States Code, Section 299b-2(a)) authorizes the Census Bureau and Department of Health and Human Services to conduct this collection and to request your voluntary assistance. Sections 924c and 308d of the same Act (Title 42 United States Code, Sections 299c-3(c) and 242m), ensure that the information reported will be released only to authorized staff of the Census Bureau, the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), and their authorized researchers and contractors. Provisions of confidentiality related to these data will be applied by AHRQ.

Burden Estimate Statement

We estimate this survey will take 45 minutes, on average, to complete, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. If you offered more than two plans, we estimate an extra 11 minutes per additional plan. Factors such as company size, complexity, and activity will affect your actual time to complete the survey.