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As Census is considering adding questions about sexual orientation and gender identity to the ACS, it is vital that the current question about gender/sex be maintained so as to make responses comparable with past waves of the ACS. The ACS is a vital source of demographic data for the United States. Researchers and policymakers routinely use the ACS to examine changes over time in the social and economic make up of the country, including trends broken out by sex. Thus, I strongly recommend that these questions be added in a way that does not diminish the ability to look at trends over time by sex. The most straightforward way to do this would be to maintain the current wording of the question about sex and to add follow-up questions regarding gender identity.