

Quarles, Christopher

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Dear Mr. Quarles,

I hope this email finds you well.

In revising the NTIA questions for the Current Population Survey for the November 2025 edition, I urge the NTIA to **retain the DEVSTA question** and I strongly advise against its removal. As a researcher who has worked with digital divide data for almost 20 years, this question of technology availability within the household is an important facet that allows for a nuanced analysis of lived digital inequalities for household members.

In addition, I would advise to **add a question on the number of (working) computers** (laptops and desktop computers) in the household (0-10+ should be a sufficient range, or write in answer). In some of our most recent research (under review), we have found this variable to be a strong indicator of internet use frequency and breadth of use.

Many thanks for your time and attention to this matter. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions.

All the best,
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