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Dr. Harris-Kojetin,

I am a former student at Tulane University who wrote my thesis on marriage and the military for Economics. The question on how many times a person was married was integral to try and understand any relationship between the military's lifestyle and how many marriages the person had. The removal of this question would have made writing my thesis impossible. Your database is the only reliable database that researchers in the United States have to try and find any links between a person's work environment and family stability. Please reconsider the removal of this question from the ACS, or, at the very least, please consider replacing the question with a question that will allow researchers to gain the same amount of data in order to complete research.

Regards,

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