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To: Harris-Kojetin, Brian
Subject: ACS Question
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Hello Dr. Harris-Kojetin,

I am writing with concern about the recent decision to alter the marriage questions asked in the ACS. While I have not used the "number of times married" directly in my research as of yet, I do believe this may be an important statistic in understanding family formation in the upcoming decades. Although I do not know the marginal cost of maintaining this question in the survey, I think there would be a loss of quality family research as a result of this decision. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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