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Dr. Brian Harris-Kojetin,

I understand that the Census Bureau is considering dropping the question of 'number of times married' from the American Community Survey. I would ask you to please reconsider this change. Those of us who study demography and family dynamics would experience a great loss of data that is very important to our work.

In a world of 'big-data' and compromised quality of data, it is even more important that we have a source that has a higher level of reliability than many other forms of secondary data. Please Please Please, leave the question in the ACS.

Thank you,

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