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Why would you remove a question from the ACS that social scientists find valuable? The argument that the ACS is overly burdensome to individuals is ludicrous. The value outweighs the cost by several orders of magnitude. Voters and taxpayers WANT the benefits that come from the kind of social science research that can be done with the ACS, but they cannot possibly be expected to understand that when they are filling in the survey. That is why people like you need to safeguard the public goods that we know society values. Please do the right thing.

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