From: Roberta Gold
To: Harris-Kojetin, Brian
Subject: Please don"t drop marital history question from census
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Dear Dr. Harris-Kojetin,

I'm dismayed to learn that the Census Bureau plans to drop the "times married" question from the census. The data generated by such questions are vital to demographers, historians and others who study changes and continuities in American family patterns. What possible public purpose can be served by hindering their research?

Please rescind this ill-considered change to the census survey.

Thank you for your consideration,

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