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April 17, 2026

Attn: Payroll Manager  
 Con\_Firm  
 Con\_Address  
 Con\_City, Con\_State Con\_Zipcode

Dear Payroll Manager:

Thank you for your willingness to continue participating in the CES survey. You can use this form for keeping a record of your monthly reports, if you wish.

Your company was selected as a part of a scientific sample of businesses throughout the United States. The BLS will use the information you provide for statistical purposes only and will **hold the information in confidence** to the full extent permitted by law. In accordance with the Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act (44 U.S.C. 3572), the information you provide to the BLS **will not be disclosed in identifiable form without your informed consent.**

The Data Collection Specialist assigned to your business:  
 Telephone number:

**username**  
**userphone**

Your assistance in producing this important information about our nation's economy is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

signature

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Data Collection Center Manager

## ► Our records show the following information for your firm:

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**Contact:** Attn: Payroll Manager2Primary Name  
address  
city, state zipcode**Tel:** con\_tel **Ext:** con\_ext**Fax:****Report Number:** reptnum3**Location:** location**UI Number:****Industry Code:** naics**Email:** email\_addr

## ► Definitions for the Questions on the Next Page:

**Column 1** EMPLOYEE COUNT- ALL EMPLOYEES

Total number of persons in this pay group who worked or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the 12<sup>th</sup> of the month.

**Include:**

- Executives and their staff
- Full-time and part-time employees
- Salaried officials of corporations
- Trainees
- Employees on active duty, if receiving pay from employer
- Employees on paid sick leave
- Employees on paid vacation
- Employees on other paid leave

**Exclude:**

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- Employees on leave without pay for entire pay period
- Employees on strike for entire pay period
- Unpaid family members

**EMPLOYEE COUNT- PRODUCTION EMPLOYEES**

Number of "All Employees" defined above who are Production Employees. Production Employees include working supervisors or group leaders who may be "in charge" of some employees, but whose supervisory functions are only incidental to their regular work.

**Include** individuals working in: **Exclude** individuals working in:

- |                                       |   |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| ▪ Assembling                          | ▪ Accounting or finance                           |
| ▪ Fabricating                         | ▪ Advertising                                     |
| ▪ Janitorial activities               | ▪ Cafeterias                                      |
| ▪ Maintenance or repair               | ▪ Collection and credit                           |
| ▪ Materials handling                  | ▪ Executive, professional, or technical positions |
| ▪ Processing                          | ▪ Force account construction                      |
| ▪ Product development                 | ▪ Legal   |
| ▪ Recordkeeping related to production | ▪ Medical   |
| ▪ Shipping or receiving               | ▪ Personnel                                       |
| ▪ Storage or warehousing              | ▪ Product installation or servicing               |
| ▪ Trucking                            | ▪ Purchasing                                      |
|                                       | ▪ Recordkeeping not related to production         |
|                                       | ▪ Sales and delivery                              |

**Column 2** WOMEN EMPLOYEE COUNT

Number of "All Employees" defined above who are women.

**Column 3** PAYROLL, EXCLUDING COMMISSIONS

Total gross pay earned during the entire pay period. Report separately for All Employees and for Production Employees.

**PAYROLL, EXCLUDING COMMISSIONS (CONTINUED)**

Report pay **before** employee deductions for:

- |                                   |                          |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| ▪ Taxes                           | ▪ Bonds                  |
| ▪ FICA (Social Security)          | ▪ Pensions               |
| ▪ Health insurance                | ▪ Unemployment insurance |
| ▪ Pay deferral plans such as 401K | ▪ Union dues             |

**Include:**

- Wages and salaries
- Paid holidays, vacation, sick leave, and other paid leave
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- Bonuses paid **each** pay period
- Overtime pay
- Severance, if paid over multiple pay periods

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- Payments "in kind"
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**Column 4** COMMISSIONS

Report separately for "All Employees" and for "Production Employees."

- Report for the most recent *complete* period for which commissions are available, which might be different from the pay period that includes the 12th. Enter 0 if none paid for the period or pay group.
- **Exclude** base pay, drawing accounts, or basic guarantees.

**Column 5** HOURS, INCLUDING OVERTIME

Total number of hours for which employees received pay during the entire pay period. Report separately for All Employees and Production Employees.

- **Include** overtime; stand-by or reporting time; and hours not worked, but for which employees received pay (holidays, vacations, sick leave, etc.).
- Report hours paid for salaried and commission-only employees based on their standard work week.
- **Do not** convert overtime or other premium hours to straight-time equivalent hours.

**Column 6** OVERTIME HOURS

Total number of hours for which employees received overtime premiums because they worked more than their regularly scheduled hours. Report separately for All Employees and Production Employees.

- **Include** Saturday, Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> day, 7<sup>th</sup> day, and holiday hours.
- **Exclude** shift differential, hazard, incentive, or similar premiums.

Report Number: reptnum

Name of Firm: Primary Name3

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Employees receive pay:		Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6
Pay Group 1: <i>paygr1</i>		EMPLOYEE COUNT	WOMEN EMPLOYEE COUNT	PAYROLL, EXCLUDING COMMISSIONS (Whole dollars)	COMMISSIONS, PAID AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH (Whole dollars)	HOURS, INCLUDING OVERTIME (Whole hours)	OVERTIME HOURS (Whole hours)
Commissions Pay Group 1 <i>paygrc1</i>							
Pay period that includes <b>mon1 12<sup>th</sup> year1</b>	All Employees			\$	\$		
	Production Employees		N/A. Data not collected.	\$	\$		
<b>mon2 12<sup>th</sup> year2</b>	All Employees			\$	\$		
	Production Employees		N/A. Data not collected.	\$	\$		
<b>mon3 12<sup>th</sup> year3</b>	All Employees			\$	\$		
	Production Employees		N/A. Data not collected.	\$	\$		
<b>mon4 12<sup>th</sup> year4</b>	All Employees			\$	\$		
	Production Employees		N/A. Data not collected.	\$	\$		
<b>mon5 12<sup>th</sup> year5</b>	All Employees			\$	\$		
	Production Employees		N/A. Data not collected.	\$	\$		
<b>mon6 12<sup>th</sup> year6</b>	All Employees			\$	\$		
	Production Employees		N/A. Data not collected.	\$	\$		
<b>mon7 12<sup>th</sup> year7</b>	All Employees			\$	\$		
	Production Employees		N/A. Data not collected.	\$	\$		
<b>mon8 12<sup>th</sup> year8</b>	All Employees			\$	\$		
	Production Employees		N/A. Data not collected.	\$	\$		
<b>mon9 12<sup>th</sup> year9</b>	All Employees			\$	\$		
	Production Employees		N/A. Data not collected.	\$	\$		
<b>mon10 12<sup>th</sup> year10</b>	All Employees			\$	\$		
	Production Employees		N/A. Data not collected.	\$	\$		
<b>mon11 12<sup>th</sup> year11</b>	All Employees			\$	\$		
	Production Employees		N/A. Data not collected.	\$	\$		
<b>mon12 12<sup>th</sup> year12</b>	All Employees			\$	\$		
	Production Employees		N/A. Data not collected.	\$	\$		



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Attn: Payroll Manager3  
Con\_Firm2  
Con\_Address2  
Con\_City2, Con\_State2 Con\_Zipcode2

Dear Payroll2 Manager2:

Due to the presence of more than 1 payroll within your firm, we have created a form to account for the additional employment data —Second Pay Group.

The attached form is to track and submit employment data for your firm's Second Pay Group. Pay Group 2 should represent those employees on an alternative pay schedule than presented on the previous form.

Please keep this form along with the form for Pay Group 1.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation. Your assistance in producing this important information about our nation's economy is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,  
signature2  
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Data Collection Center Manager

► **Our records show the following information for your firm:****Contact:** Attn: Payroll Manager4

Primary Name

address2

city2, state2 zipcode2

**Tel:** con\_tel2 **Ext:** con\_ext2**Fax:** con\_fax2**Report Number:** reptnum4**Location:** location2**UI Number:****Industry Code:** naics2**Email:** email\_addr2► **Definitions for the Questions on the Next Page:****Column 1** **EMPLOYEE COUNT- ALL EMPLOYEES**

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## Pay Group 2 *paygr2*

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**Name of Firm:** Primary Name4

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Pay Group 2 <i>paygr2_2</i> Commissions Pay Group 2 <i>paygrc2_2</i>		EMPLOYEE COUNT	WOMEN EMPLOYEE COUNT	PAYROLL, EXCLUDING COMMISSIONS (Whole dollars)	COMMISSIONS, PAID AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH (Whole dollars)	HOURS, INCLUDING OVERTIME (Whole hours)	OVERTIME HOURS (Whole hours)
Pay period that includes <b>mon1_2 12<sup>th</sup> year1_2</b>	All Employees			\$	\$		
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	Production Employees		N/A. Data not collected.	\$	\$		
<b>mon4_2 12<sup>th</sup> year4_2</b>	All Employees			\$	\$		
	Production Employees		N/A. Data not collected.	\$	\$		
<b>mon5_2 12<sup>th</sup> year5_2</b>	All Employees			\$	\$		
	Production Employees		N/A. Data not collected.	\$	\$		
<b>mon6_2 12<sup>th</sup> year6_2</b>	All Employees			\$	\$		
	Production Employees		N/A. Data not collected.	\$	\$		
<b>mon7_2 12<sup>th</sup> year7_2</b>	All Employees			\$	\$		
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