DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

Agency Information Collection Activities: USCIS Case Status Online; Extension of an Existing Information Collection; Comment Request.


The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), has submitted the following information collection request for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection notice is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for sixty days until [Insert date 60 days from date of publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER].

During this 60-day period, USCIS will be evaluating whether to revise the USCIS Case Status Online. Should USCIS decide to revise the USCIS Case Status Online we will advise the public when we publish the 30-day notice in the Federal Register in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. The public will then have 30 days to comment on any revisions to the USCIS Case Status Online.

Written comments and suggestions regarding items contained in this notice, and especially with regard to the estimated public burden and associated response time should be directed to the DHS, USCIS, Chief, Regulatory Products Division, Office of the Executive Secretariat, 20 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20529-2020. Comments may also be submitted to DHS via facsimile to 202-272-0997 or via e-mail at uscisfrcomment@dhs.gov. When submitting comments by e-mail please add the OMB Control Number 1615-0080 in the
subject box.

Note: The address listed in this notice should only be used to submit comments concerning this information collection. Please do not submit requests for individual case status inquiries to this address. If you are seeking information about the status of your individual case, please check “My Case Status” online at: https://egov.uscis.gov/cris/Dashboard.do, or call the USCIS National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

(1) **Type of Information Collection:** Extension of an existing information collection.

(2) **Title of the Form/Collection:** USCIS Case Status Online

(3) **Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Homeland Security sponsoring the collection:** No Form Number (File No. OMB-33).
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(4) **Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:**

Primary: Individuals or households, for-profit organizations, and not-for-profit organizations. This system allows individuals or their representatives to request case status of their pending application through USCIS' Web site.

(5) **An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:** 20,000,000 responses at 0.075 hours (4 1/2 minutes) per response.

(6) **An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:** 1,500,000 annual burden hours.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the information collection instrument, please visit: http://www.regulations.gov.

We may also be contacted at: USCIS, Regulatory Products Division, Office of the Executive Secretariat, 20 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20529-2020, Telephone number 202-272-8377.

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