

REMINDER

According to our records, we have not received your **2016 Small Business Lending Survey**. If you have completed and submitted your questionnaire, please disregard this letter and accept our gratitude for participating in this important survey. If you have not responded, please complete the survey online using the following information by the due date indicated below.

Website: https://econhelp.census.gov/sbls

User ID: Password:

Due date: August 10, 2016

The FDIC's Small Business Lending Survey addresses banks' small businesses lending relationships and perceived competition and market areas for such lending. None of this information is currently contained in current regulatory data collected from banks. A portion of the survey addresses a statutory **requirement** to determine banks' efforts to bring underserved consumers into the mainstream financial system. Your survey response is voluntary.

Your institution's participation provides valuable information for similar banks of your size and within your geographic area, and will contribute significantly to our understanding of how banks provide financial access to U.S. small businesses.

If you need assistance completing the survey, visit us online at https://econhelp.census.gov/sbls. For further assistance, please call our customer help line at 1-800-772-7851, option 7, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Eastern Time.

Thank you in advance for your time and cooperation.

Sincerely,

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