

June 28, 2021

Ms. Nora Kincaid BLS Clearance Officer Division of Management Systems Bureau of Labor Statistics, Room 4080 2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE Washington, DC 20212

RE: *Federal Register* notice of May 28, 2021, for the Bureau of Labor Statistics Form 9300, Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses (OMB Number: 1220-0045)

Dear Ms. Kincaid:

The Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) strongly supports the continued collection of data by the Bureau of Labor Statistics on the Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses. The data collected on this form are important elements in the derivation of major components of BEA's economic statistics.

BEA uses data on occupational injuries/illnesses and days away from work to prepare estimates of employer contributions for workers' compensation by industry, components of both employer contributions for employee pension and insurance funds, and employer contributions for social insurance in national income. A list of specific items currently used is described in the attachment.

Please keep BEA informed concerning any modifications to this form. We are particularly interested in any modifications proposed during the form's approval process that would substantially affect our use of these data. For additional information, please contact Tiffany Burrell, Source Data Coordinator, on 301-278-9618 or by e-mail at <u>Tiffany.Burrell@bea.gov</u>. Should you need assistance in justifying this form to the Office of Management and Budget, please do not hesitate to contact BEA.

Sincerely,

Dennis J. Fixler Chief Economist

Attachment



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Current Use of BLS Form 9300 in Preparation of BEA's National Accounts

Items	Uses	NIPA Estimate
	contributions for workers' compensation	Employer contributions for employee pension and insurance funds
Number of injuries and illnesses by industry		