

July 5, 2018

Mr. Michael Hoover  
Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau  
1310 G Street, NW Box 12  
Washington, DC 20005

RE: *Federal Register* notice of May 30, 2018, for the Form 5220.6, Monthly Report –  
Importer of Tobacco Products or Processed Tobacco (OMB Number: 1513-0107)


Dear Mr. Hoover:

The Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) strongly supports the continued collection of data by the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau on Form 5220.6, Monthly Report – Importer of Tobacco Products or Processed Tobacco. The data collected on these forms are crucial to key components of BEA's economic statistics.

BEA uses information from these forms to prepare estimates of personal consumption expenditures in the national income and product accounts. Specifically, the data from Form 5220.6 (Total Importer) are used to estimate monthly personal consumption expenditures of tobacco. The attached table shows the data used from these forms by BEA.

Please keep BEA informed about any modifications to these forms. We are particularly interested in any modifications proposed during the forms' 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 [Tiffany.Burrell@bea.gov](mailto:Tiffany.Burrell@bea.gov). 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

## Attachment

### ATTTB Data Used by the BEA

Items Used:	How Used:
<b>Form 5220.6</b>	
Total Importer	Estimate monthly personal consumption expenditures of tobacco products in gross domestic product in the national income and product accounts