

estimates of Puerto Rico Gross Domestic Product (GDP), which includes statistics for consumer spending, private fixed investment, inventory investment, net exports of goods and services, and government spending for Puerto Rico. BEA seeks comments on the statistics' data sources, presentation, level of detail, and scope. Following the public comment period, BEA will incorporate feedback, updating the statistics and related materials for Puerto Rico GDP.

**DATES:** Comments must be received no later than November 2, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by the following methods:

- *Email:* [territories@bea.gov](mailto:territories@bea.gov).
- *Mail:* Sabrina Montes, Office of the Director, Bureau of Economic Analysis, Department of Commerce, 4600 Silver Hill Road (BE-40), Washington, DC 20233.

Comments sent by any other method or after the comment period may not be considered. All comments are a part of the public record.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Sabrina Montes, Office of the Director, Bureau of Economic Analysis, Department of Commerce, 4600 Silver Hill Road (BE-40), Washington, DC 20233; phone: (301) 278-9268 or email [Sabrina.Montes@bea.gov](mailto:Sabrina.Montes@bea.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In 2018, BEA initiated a project to calculate GDP for Puerto Rico in order to support Puerto Rico's economic recovery following devastating hurricanes in 2017. This project follows technical collaborations between BEA and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico dating back to 2010. The project also addresses recommendations from the Congressional Task Force on Economic Growth in Puerto Rico and Government Accountability Office that BEA calculate GDP for Puerto Rico.

The present project—a collaborative effort between the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and BEA—combines the best available Puerto Rico economic data with BEA's current national economic accounting methodologies. The project seeks to produce accurate and objective economic statistics for Puerto Rico comparable to data for other U.S. territories, states, and the nation.

Prototype statistics of GDP and its components for 2012–2018 were published on September 28, 2020. Methodologies incorporated in the statistics included:

- Using chain-type Fisher indexes to calculate changes in aggregate output and prices;
- expanding the use of economic census data from the U.S. Census Bureau;
- treating expenditures on intangible assets as investment to allow users to understand how these intangible assets drive economic growth; and
- adjusting for inflation at a high level of detail to ensure that the selected price indexes reflect the mix of goods and services produced by the Puerto Rico economy.

BEA is now seeking feedback on these new statistics. BEA will consider this feedback as it continues to refine source data, methodology, and data presentations in preparation for routine production of these data.

BEA invites all comments from the public; private industry; state, local, and territorial governments; non-profit organizations; and other interested parties to assist in improving the prototype statistics. In particular, BEA is interested in feedback regarding the following (with the understanding that BEA will accept and consider all feedback on its new Puerto Rico GDP statistics):

1. How will the statistics on Puerto Rico GDP and its components be used?
2. Given that the statistics are on a calendar year basis, what time of the year should they be published to maximize their usefulness in planning and for other uses?
3. Are the components in the prototype GDP statistics consistent with the data and local information that are available elsewhere on Puerto Rico? If not, please describe the differences.
4. Do you have any feedback about the methodology used to create the prototype Puerto Rico GDP statistics described in the *Summary of Methodologies: Puerto Rico Gross Domestic Product* (September 2020) (available at [BEA.gov](http://BEA.gov))?
5. Are there additional or alternative data sources that you believe could be

used to generate and corroborate these statistics beyond those described in the *Summary of Methodologies: Puerto Rico Gross Domestic Product* (September 2020) (available at [BEA.gov](http://BEA.gov))?

6. Which would be more useful: Less-detailed product breakdowns, which will result in fewer data suppressions to protect confidentiality, or more-detailed product breakdowns, with the necessary suppressions?

7. BEA is aware that stakeholders may be interested in statistics not included in the present release, such as quarterly measures, GDP by industry, and GNP. What extensions to BEA's Puerto Rico GDP statistics would be useful and why?

**Sabrina Montes,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**Economic Development Administration**

**Notice of Petitions by Firms for Determination of Eligibility To Apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance**

**AGENCY:** Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice and opportunity for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Economic Development Administration (EDA) has received petitions for certification of eligibility to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance from the firms listed below. Accordingly, EDA has initiated investigations to determine whether increased imports into the United States of articles like or directly competitive with those produced by each of the firms contributed importantly to the total or partial separation of the firms' workers, or threat thereof, and to a decrease in sales or production of each petitioning firm.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**LIST OF PETITIONS RECEIVED BY EDA FOR CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY TO APPLY FOR TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE**

[9/19/2020 through 9/24/2020]

Firm name	Firm address	Date accepted for investigation	Product(s)
George B. Woodcock & Company, Inc.	9667 Canoga Avenue, Chatsworth, CA 91311.	9/21/2020 .....	The firm manufactures shipping containers and packaging supplies.
New Dimensions Precision Machining, LLC.	6614 South Union Road, Union, IL 60180.	9/22/2020 .....	The firm manufactures miscellaneous metal parts.

LIST OF PETITIONS RECEIVED BY EDA FOR CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY TO APPLY FOR TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE—Continued  
[9/19/2020 through 9/24/2020]

Firm name	Firm address	Date accepted for investigation	Product(s)
SylvanSport, LLC .....	235 Commerce Street, Brevard, NC 28712.	9/22/2020 .....	The firm manufactures personal trailers for camping and hauling.
MPP Corporation .....	82 Airport Drive, Kimball, MI 48074.	9/24/2020 .....	The firm manufactures plastic injection molds and tooling.

Any party having a substantial interest in these proceedings may request a public hearing on the matter. A written request for a hearing must be submitted to the Trade Adjustment Assistance Division, Room 71030, Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230, no later than ten (10) calendar days following publication of this notice. These petitions are received pursuant to section 251 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended.

Please follow the requirements set forth in EDA’s regulations at 13 CFR 315.9 for procedures to request a public hearing. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance official number and title for the program under which these petitions are submitted is 11.313, Trade Adjustment Assistance for Firms.

**Bryan Borlik,**  
Director.

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**International Trade Administration**

**Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity To Request Administrative Review**

**AGENCY:** Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Brenda E. Brown, Office of AD/CVD Operations, Customs Liaison Unit, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230, telephone: (202) 482–4735.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

Each year during the anniversary month of the publication of an antidumping or countervailing duty order, finding, or suspended investigation, an interested party, as defined in section 771(9) of the Tariff

Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), may request, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213, that the Department of Commerce (Commerce) conduct an administrative review of that antidumping or countervailing duty order, finding, or suspended investigation.

All deadlines for the submission of comments or actions by Commerce discussed below refer to the number of calendar days from the applicable starting date.

**Respondent Selection**

In the event Commerce limits the number of respondents for individual examination for administrative reviews initiated pursuant to requests made for the orders identified below, Commerce intends to select respondents based on U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) data for U.S. imports during the period of review. We intend to release the CBP data under Administrative Protective Order (APO) to all parties having an APO within five days of publication of the initiation notice and to make our decision regarding respondent selection within 21 days of publication of the initiation **Federal Register** notice. Therefore, we encourage all parties interested in commenting on respondent selection to submit their APO applications on the date of publication of the initiation notice, or as soon thereafter as possible. Commerce invites comments regarding the CBP data and respondent selection within five days of placement of the CBP data on the record of the review.

In the event Commerce decides it is necessary to limit individual examination of respondents and conduct respondent selection under section 777A(c)(2) of the Act:

In general, Commerce finds that determinations concerning whether particular companies should be “collapsed” (*i.e.*, treated as a single entity for purposes of calculating antidumping duty rates) require a substantial amount of detailed information and analysis, which often require follow-up questions and analysis. Accordingly, Commerce will

not conduct collapsing analyses at the respondent selection phase of a review and will not collapse companies at the respondent selection phase unless there has been a determination to collapse certain companies in a previous segment of this antidumping proceeding (*i.e.*, investigation, administrative review, new shipper review or changed circumstances review). For any company subject to a review, if Commerce determined, or continued to treat, that company as collapsed with others, Commerce will assume that such companies continue to operate in the same manner and will collapse them for respondent selection purposes. Otherwise, Commerce will not collapse companies for purposes of respondent selection. Parties are requested to (a) identify which companies subject to review previously were collapsed, and (b) provide a citation to the proceeding in which they were collapsed. Further, if companies are requested to complete a Quantity and Value Questionnaire for purposes of respondent selection, in general each company must report volume and value data separately for itself. Parties should not include data for any other party, even if they believe they should be treated as a single entity with that other party. If a company was collapsed with another company or companies in the most recently completed segment of a proceeding where Commerce considered collapsing that entity, complete quantity and value data for that collapsed entity must be submitted.

**Deadline for Withdrawal of Request for Administrative Review**

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), a party that requests a review may withdraw that request within 90 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation of the requested review. The regulation provides that Commerce may extend this time if it is reasonable to do so. Determinations by Commerce to extend the 90-day deadline will be made on a case-by-case basis.