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RE: Federal Register Notice of January 23, 2003 on Office of Thrift Supervision Thrift  
Financial Report

Dear Ms. Dakin:

The Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) strongly supports the continued collection of data by the Office of Thrift Supervision on the Thrift Financial Report. The data collected on this form are crucial to key components of BEA's economic statistics.

Information from this form is used in preparing estimates of gross domestic product (GDP) and gross state product (GSP). A table of the specific items used by BEA is attached.

Please keep BEA informed about any modifications to this form. 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 Gerald Silverstein, Coordinator, BEA Source Data Improvement, on 202-606-9653. If you should 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 Statistician

Attachment

ITEMS USED	ESTIMATES PREPARED
Interest expense total (line 21)	Annual estimates of monetary interest paid and imputed service charges by thrift institutions in GDP  State allocation of corporate profits for depository institutions in GSP
Deposits (line 215) Advances from FHLB bank (line 230) Subordinated debentures (line 240) Mortgage collateralized securities issued (line 250) Other borrowed money (line 260) Interest on escrows (line 266) Capitalized interest (line 271)	Annual estimates of monetary interest paid and imputed service charges by thrift institutions in GDP
Interest income total (line 11)	Annual estimates of monetary interest paid and imputed service charges by thrift institutions in GDP  State allocation of corporate profits for depository institutions in GSP
Deposits and investment securities (line 110) Mortgage pool securities (line 120) Mortgage loans (line 140) Commercial loans and leases (line 160) Consumer loans and leases (line 170)	Annual estimates of monetary interest received and imputed service charges by thrift institutions in GDP
Income (loss) before income taxes (line 60)	State allocation of corporate profits for depository institutions in GSP