

BEA Benefit Criteria – Special Sworn Researcher Program

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Proposals under the Special Sworn Researcher Program must demonstrate that the research is likely to provide one or more benefits to BEA that fall under the following criteria. In your proposal, please cite which of these criteria are satisfied when describing the benefit to BEA from your project:

1. Providing insights or results that help BEA meet objectives under mission goal No. 2 (Relevance) in the [BEA Strategic Plan](#).
2. Understanding or improving the quality of data produced through a BEA survey or estimate.
3. Leading to new or improved methodology to collect, measure, or tabulate a BEA survey or estimate.
4. Enhancing the data collected in a BEA survey. For example: improving imputations for non-response or developing links across time or entities for data gathered in BEA surveys.
5. Identifying the limitations of, or improving, the master universe file for BEA surveys and/or industrial and geographical classification schemes used to collect the data.
6. Identifying limitations of current data or collection programs or documenting new data collection needs.
7. Constructing, verifying, or improving the sampling frame for a BEA survey.
8. Developing a methodology for estimating non-response to a BEA survey.