

**Requirements for Importers of Nonhuman Primates
(Formerly Requirements for a Special Permit to Import Cynomolgus,
African Green, or Rhesus Monkeys into the United States)
(OMB Control No. 0920-0263)**

B. Collection of Information Employing Statistical Methods

Statistical methods do not apply to this data collection. No statistical methods are used in this data collection. A registered importer must request a permit to import nonhuman primates into the U.S. To receive the permit, the importer must submit a written plan to the Director of CDC which specifies steps that will be taken to prevent exposure of persons and animals during the entire importation and quarantine process for the arriving non-human primates. This includes disease prevention procedures throughout the chain of custody of these nonhuman primates from embarkation in the country of origin to release from quarantine. Information such as species, origin, and intended use for primates, transit information, isolation and quarantine procedures, and procedures for testing of quarantined animals. CDC evaluates compliance with the standards and determines whether adequate measures being taken to prevent the exposure of persons and animals during importation.

CDC monitors at least two shipments of non-human primates to be assured that the provisions of a permit are being followed by a new permit holder. Once CDC is assured that adequate disease control practices are being used by new permit holders, the permit can be extended to cover the receipt of additional shipments under the same plan for a period of two years and may be renewed upon request.

1. Respondent Universe and Sampling Methods

There are no sampling methods employed for this data collection as the importation of these animals is covered by a regulatory requirement. The respondent universe is all animal importers who want to import nonhuman primates into the United States.

2. Procedures for the Collection of Information

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CDC monitors at least two shipments of nonhuman primates to be assured that the provisions of a permit are followed by a new permit holder. Once CDC confirms that adequate disease control practices are used by new permit holders, the permit can be extended to cover the receipt of additional shipments under the same plan for a period of two years and may be renewed upon request.

Registered importers are commercial or not-for-profit importers of nonhuman primates.

3. Methods to Maximize Response Rates and Deal with No response

The information collected for the permit is required in the event that any registered importer wants to import nonhuman primates into the U.S. If the importer does not comply with each part of the permit, a No Response, importation is not permitted, will be issued. It is in the importers interest to respond to the requirements for the permit if indeed it intends to import the specified animals.

4. Tests of Procedures or Methods to be Undertaken

The information collected from the importers is defined by regulations and requirements set by CDC. No tests of procedures or questions were performed.

5. Individuals Consulted on Statistical Aspects and Individuals Collecting and/or Analyzing Data

There are no statistical aspects of the information collected and no statistical consultants were contacted. Collection and review of the information is the responsibility of CDC's Division of Global Migration and Quarantine.