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ADVISORY: UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE PROGRAM LETTER NO. 01-21

TO: STATE WORKFORCE AGENCIES

FROM: JOHN PALLASCH *

Assistant Secretary

SUBJECT: Minimum Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) Weekly Benefit Amount:

October 1 – December 31, 2020

1. <u>Purpose</u>. To transmit the subject computation for State Workforce Agency usage in computing minimum weekly DUA amounts for all major disasters declared from October 1 – December 31, 2020 (first quarter of Fiscal Year (FY) 2021).

2. <u>Action Requested.</u> State Workforce Agency Administrators should provide this information to appropriate staff and ensure utilization of the correct Average Weekly Benefit Amount (AWBA) in determining the weekly DUA amount.

3. Summary and Background.

- a. Summary If an individual's DUA weekly benefit amount is less than 50 percent of the state's average weekly payment of unemployment compensation (UC) or if the individual has insufficient wages from employment or insufficient or no net income from self-employment, the state shall determine the DUA weekly amount to equal 50 percent of the average weekly payment of UC in the state.
- b. Background The Department is required to publish information on each state's minimum DUA weekly benefit amount quarterly (see 20 CFR 625.6(b)).

4. Minimum Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) Weekly Benefit Amount.

The attached listing sets forth the minimum DUA weekly benefit amount for each state applicable for major disasters declared during the first quarter of FY 2021, from October 1 to December 31, 2020, and the computation used to determine this amount.

5. Inquiries. Please direct inquiries to the appropriate Regional Office.

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6. References.

- 20 CFR 625.6
- Employment and Training (ET) Handbook 356, Chapter IV-3
- **7.** <u>Attachment.</u> Minimum Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) Weekly Benefit Amount: October 1 December 31, 2020

Minimum Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) Weekly Benefit Amount: October 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020

STATES	AWBA*	50% AWBA CALCULATION	MINIMUM WBA (ROUNDED)
Alabama	\$246.75	\$123.37	\$124
Alaska	\$256.73	\$128.37	\$129
Arizona	\$238.98	\$119.49	\$120
Arkansas	\$233.53	\$116.77	\$117
California	\$310.74	\$155.37	\$156
Colorado	\$390.64	\$195.32	\$196 \$196
Connecticut	\$334.63	\$193.32 \$167.32	\$168
Delaware			\$131
District of Columbia	\$261.74	\$130.87 \$179.81	\$131 \$180
	\$359.62		
Florida	\$237.75	\$118.87	\$119
Georgia	\$270.35	\$135.18	\$136
Hawaii	\$476.99	\$238.50	\$239
Idaho	\$307.80	\$153.90	\$154
Illinois	\$356.65	\$178.32	\$179
Indiana	\$265.18	\$132.59	\$133
Iowa	\$354.05	\$177.03	\$178
Kansas	\$355.76	\$177.88	\$178
Kentucky	\$338.62	\$169.31	\$170
Louisiana	\$191.13	\$95.56	\$96
Maine	\$329.56	\$164.78	\$165
Maryland	\$328.84	\$164.42	\$165
Massachusetts	\$483.28	\$241.64	\$242
Michigan	\$320.54	\$160.27	\$161
Minnesota	\$401.77	\$200.88	\$201
Mississippi	\$195.62	\$97.81	\$98
Missouri	\$250.87	\$125.44	\$126
Montana	\$361.39	\$180.69	\$181
Nebraska	\$306.62	\$153.31	\$154
Nevada	\$357.57	\$178.78	\$179
New Hampshire	\$260.26	\$130.13	\$131
New Jersey	\$433.00	\$216.50	\$217
New Mexico	\$322.03	\$161.01	\$162
New York	\$352.98	\$176.49	\$177
North Carolina	\$231.63	\$115.81	\$116
North Dakota	\$427.29	\$213.64	\$214
Ohio	\$345.07	\$172.54	\$173
Oklahoma	\$354.07	\$177.04	\$178
Oregon	\$394.48	\$197.24	\$198
Pennsylvania	\$360.77	\$180.39	\$181
Puerto Rico	\$159.86	\$79.93	\$80
Rhode Island	\$331.07	\$165.54	\$166
South Carolina	\$247.58	\$123.79	\$124
South Dakota	\$247.38 \$299.07	\$149.53	\$124 \$150
Tennessee	\$226.30	\$113.15	\$130 \$114
Texas	\$372.03	\$113.13 \$186.02	\$114
Utah	\$365.06	\$182.53	\$183
Vermont	\$305.00 \$339.96	\$182.53 \$169.98	\$183 \$170
	\$339.90 \$375.23	\$169.98 \$187.62	\$170 \$188
Virgin Islands			
Virginia	\$269.09	\$134.54	\$135
Washington	\$465.29	\$232.65	\$233
West Virginia	\$272.95	\$136.48	\$137
Wisconsin	\$301.70	\$150.85	\$151
Wyoming	\$393.42	\$196.71	\$197

^{*}Based on Average Weekly Benefit Amount (AWBA) for Total Unemployment 07/01/2019 through 06/30/2020

Data supplied by U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Unemployment Insurance