

<b>EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ADMINISTRATION</b> <b>ADVISORY SYSTEM</b> <b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR</b> <b>Washington, D.C. 20210</b>	<b>CLASSIFICATION</b> UI
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**ADVISORY: UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE PROGRAM LETTER NO. 15-23**

**TO:** STATE WORKFORCE AGENCIES

**FROM:** BRENT PARTON   
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary

**SUBJECT:** Minimum Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) Weekly Benefit Amount:  
October 1 – December 31, 2023

1. **Purpose.** 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, 2023, (first quarter of Fiscal Year (FY) 2024).
2. **Action Requested.** 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 minimum weekly DUA benefit 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 2024, from October 1 – December 31, 2023, and the computation used to determine this amount.
5. **Inquiries.** Please direct inquiries to the appropriate Regional Office.

<b>RESCISSIONS</b> None	<b>EXPIRATION DATE</b> Continuing
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6. **References.**

- 20 CFR 625.6; and
- Employment and Training (ET) Handbook 356, Chapter IV-3.

7. **Attachment.** Minimum Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) Weekly Benefit Amount: October 1 – December 31, 2023

Minimum Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA)  
Weekly Benefit Amount: October 1 – December 31, 2023

States	AWBA*	50% AWBA Calculation	Minimum WBA (Rounded)
Alabama	251.78	125.89	126
Alaska	286.80	143.40	144
Arizona	289.61	144.80	145
Arkansas	292.04	146.02	147
California	358.84	179.42	180
Colorado	543.80	271.90	272
Connecticut	454.39	227.19	228
Delaware	312.25	156.13	157
District of Columbia	398.63	199.32	200
Florida	256.67	128.34	129
Georgia	331.34	165.67	166
Hawaii	582.72	291.36	292
Idaho	418.06	209.03	210
Illinois	474.11	237.06	238
Indiana	313.81	156.90	157
Iowa	491.12	245.56	246
Kansas	434.64	217.32	218
Kentucky	423.19	211.60	212
Louisiana	237.90	118.95	119
Maine	431.86	215.93	216
Maryland	375.12	187.56	188
Massachusetts	650.18	325.09	326
Michigan	350.81	175.41	176
Minnesota	552.01	276.01	277
Mississippi	220.44	110.22	111
Missouri	280.11	140.05	141
Montana	481.35	240.67	241
Nebraska	404.29	202.15	203
Nevada	429.48	214.74	215
New Hampshire	349.77	174.89	175
New Jersey	559.70	279.85	280
New Mexico	406.18	203.09	204
New York	406.99	203.49	204
North Carolina	290.69	145.35	146
North Dakota	507.48	253.74	254
Ohio	446.48	223.24	224
Oklahoma	377.57	188.78	189
Oregon	514.39	257.19	258
Pennsylvania	441.35	220.68	221
Puerto Rico	204.37	102.19	103
Rhode Island	434.06	217.03	218
South Carolina	291.14	145.57	146
South Dakota	425.13	212.57	213
Tennessee	247.96	123.98	124
Texas	463.95	231.98	232
Utah	520.89	260.44	261
Vermont	479.90	239.95	240
Virgin Islands	**	**	**
Virginia	340.83	170.41	171
Washington	663.21	331.61	332
West Virginia	364.73	182.36	183
Wisconsin	335.69	167.84	168
Wyoming	447.98	223.99	224

\*Based on Average Weekly Benefit Amount (AWBA) for Total Unemployment 07/01/2022 through 06/30/2023.  
Data supplied by the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of  
Unemployment Insurance.

\*\*Sufficient data to calculate AWBA unavailable at this time.