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TO: STATE WORKFORCE AGENCIES

FROM: HENRY MACK, ED.D. /s/
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SUBJECT: Minimum Disaster Unemployment Assistance Weekly Benefit Amount: April 1 – June 30, 2026

1. **Purpose.** To transmit the subject computation for State Workforce Agency usage in computing minimum weekly Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) amounts for all major disasters declared from April 1 – June 30, 2026 (third quarter of Fiscal Year (FY) 2026).

2. **Action Requested.** The Employment and Training Administration (ETA) requests that State Workforce Agency Administrators provide this information to appropriate staff and ensure their state uses 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 AWBA for unemployment compensation (UC) or if the individual has insufficient wages from employment or insufficient or no net income from self-employment to establish a DUA weekly benefit amount, the state shall determine the minimum DUA weekly amount to equal 50 percent of the AWBA 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 third quarter of FY 2026, from April 1 – June 30, 2026, and the computation used to determine this amount.

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

RESCISSIONS	EXPIRATION DATE
None	Continuing

6. **References.**

- 20 C.F.R. Part 625; and
- Employment and Training (ET) Handbook 356, Chapter IV-3.

7. **Attachment(s).**

- Attachment I: Minimum Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) Weekly Benefit Amount: April 1 – June 30, 2026.