Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) and Wagner-Peyser Act Statutory Formulas for State Allotments

State Allotment Formula Descriptions

WIOA Youth Activities

**Formula:**
- 1/3: State relative share of total unemployed in areas of substantial unemployment (ASU) (average 12 months ending 6/30)
- 1/3: State relative share of excess unemployed (average 12 months ending 6/30)

**Minimums:**
- (a) If total amount available for States is $1 billion or less:
  - State allotment cannot be less than
    - (1) 90% of State relative share of prior year funding
    - (2) 0.25% of total available funds for States
- (b) If total amount available for States exceeds $1 billion:
  - State allotment cannot be less than
    - (1) 90% of State relative share of prior year funding
    - (2) 2014 allotment amount (Not applicable for Adult minimum)
    - (3) 0.3% of first $1 billion plus 0.4% of amount over $1 billion

**Maximum:**
- 130% of State relative share of prior year funding

WIOA Adult Activities

Same as Youth Activities, except
- (a) Formula uses disadvantaged ADULTS instead of YOUTH
- (b) Threshold for selecting minimum provisions is $960 million instead of $1 billion

WIOA Dislocated Workers

**Formula:**
- 1/3: State relative share of total unemployed (average 12 months ending 09/30)
- 1/3: State relative share of excess unemployed (average 12 months ending 09/30)
- 1/3: State relative share of long-term unemployed (average 12 months ending 09/30)

**Minimum:**
- 90% of State relative share of prior year funding

**Maximum:**
- 130% of State relative share of prior year funding

Employment Service (Wagner-Peyser Act)

**Formula for 97% of funds:**
- 2/3: State relative share of civilian labor force (average 12 months ending 9/30 (preliminary) or 12/31 (final))
- 1/3: State relative share of total unemployment (average 12 months ending 9/30 (preliminary) or 12/31 (final))

**Minimums:**
- (a) 90% of State relative share of prior year funding
- (b) 0.28% of total available funds for States

**Maximum:**
- None

**Distribution of 3% of funds:**
- (1) States with civilian labor force below 1 million and under the national median civilian labor force density receive an amount which when added to their share of the 97% portion, will result in an amount equal to 100% of their relative share of prior year funding.
- (2) Remaining States losing in relative share receive a share of the remaining funds prorated based on the amount needed to achieve 100% of their relative share of prior year funding.

Formula Data Factor Definitions

WIOA Youth and Adults Programs
- **ASU:** contiguous areas with unemployment rate of 6.5% or more
- **Excess unemployed:** higher of:
  - (1) excess unemployed (unemployment in excess of 4.5%) in ASUs; or
  - (2) excess unemployed (unemployment in excess of 4.5%) in all areas
- **Disadvantaged adults:** individuals age 22-72 meeting (or member of family meeting):
  - Census poverty level or
  - 70% of lower living standard income level (LLSIL)
- **Disadvantaged youth:** individuals age 16-21 meeting (or member of family meeting):
  - Census poverty level or
  - 70% of lower living standard income level (LLSIL)

WIOA Dislocated Workers Program
- **Excess unemployed:** unemployment in excess of 4.5%
- **Long-term unemployed:** number unemployed 15 or more weeks

Employment Service (Wagner-Peyser):
- Self-explanatory