

EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ADMINISTRATION ADVISORY SYSTEM U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR Washington, D.C. 20210	CLASSIFICATION UI
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ADVISORY: UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE PROGRAM LETTER NO. 19-19

TO: STATE WORKFORCE AGENCIES

FROM: JOHN PALLASCH /s/
Assistant Secretary

SUBJECT: Minimum Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) Weekly Benefit Amount:
October 1 – December 31, 2019

1. **Purpose.** To transmit the subject computation for State Workforce Agency usage in computing minimum weekly DUA amounts for all major disasters declared during the first quarter of Fiscal Year (FY) 2020.
2. **Action Requested.** State Workforce Agency Administrators should provide this information to appropriate staff and ensure that the correct Average Weekly Benefit Amount (AWBA) is utilized 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 2020, from October 1 to December 31, 2019, and the computation used to determine this amount.
5. **Inquiries.** Please direct inquiries to the appropriate Regional Office.

RESCISSIONS None	EXPIRATION DATE Continuing
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6. References.

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

7. Attachment.

- I. Minimum Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) Weekly Benefit Amount:
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ATTACHMENT I

Minimum Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA)
 Weekly Benefit Amount: October 1, 2019–December 31, 2019

STATES	AWBA*	50% AWBA CALCULATION	MINIMUM WBA (ROUNDED)
Alabama	\$224.71	\$112.36	\$113
Alaska	\$264.28	\$132.14	\$133
Arizona	\$231.53	\$115.76	\$116
Arkansas	\$262.55	\$131.28	\$132
California	\$331.90	\$165.95	\$166
Colorado	\$440.60	\$220.30	\$221
Connecticut	\$392.43	\$196.21	\$197
Delaware	\$261.74	\$130.87	\$131
District of Columbia	\$355.85	\$177.92	\$178
Florida	\$248.63	\$124.31	\$125
Georgia	\$293.49	\$146.75	\$147
Hawaii	\$520.15	\$260.07	\$261
Idaho	\$332.41	\$166.21	\$167
Illinois	\$389.92	\$194.96	\$195
Indiana	\$296.08	\$148.04	\$149
Iowa	\$403.75	\$201.87	\$202
Kansas	\$380.49	\$190.25	\$191
Kentucky	\$346.48	\$173.24	\$174
Louisiana	\$212.84	\$106.42	\$107
Maine	\$341.97	\$170.99	\$171
Maryland	\$349.68	\$174.84	\$175
Massachusetts	\$530.44	\$265.22	\$266
Michigan	\$315.13	\$157.57	\$158
Minnesota	\$464.48	\$232.24	\$233
Mississippi	\$209.89	\$104.94	\$105
Missouri	\$264.62	\$132.31	\$133
Montana	\$364.35	\$182.17	\$183
Nebraska	\$342.28	\$171.14	\$172
Nevada	\$357.27	\$178.63	\$179
New Hampshire	\$333.95	\$166.97	\$167
New Jersey	\$456.35	\$228.18	\$229
New Mexico	\$334.99	\$167.50	\$168
New York	\$351.30	\$175.65	\$176
North Carolina	\$261.52	\$130.76	\$131
North Dakota	\$451.41	\$225.71	\$226
Ohio	\$375.37	\$187.69	\$188
Oklahoma	\$371.31	\$185.65	\$186
Oregon	\$405.04	\$202.52	\$203
Pennsylvania	\$386.08	\$193.04	\$194
Puerto Rico	\$118.53	\$59.27	\$60
Rhode Island	\$362.81	\$181.41	\$182
South Carolina	\$258.97	\$129.49	\$130
South Dakota	\$342.98	\$171.49	\$172
Tennessee	\$238.56	\$119.28	\$120
Texas	\$408.23	\$204.11	\$205
Utah	\$418.86	\$209.43	\$210
Vermont	\$375.75	\$187.87	\$188
Virgin Islands	\$356.97	\$178.48	\$179
Virginia	\$312.19	\$156.10	\$157
Washington	\$464.16	\$232.08	\$233
West Virginia	\$310.36	\$155.18	\$156
Wisconsin	\$323.36	\$161.68	\$162
Wyoming	\$379.52	\$189.76	\$190

*Based on Average Weekly Benefit Amount (AWBA) for Total Unemployment 07/01/2018 through 6/30/2019

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