

<b>TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT NOTICE</b>	<b>NO.</b> 11-10
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**TO:** STATE WORKFORCE AGENCIES

**FROM:** JANE OATES /s/  
Assistant Secretary

**SUBJECT:** Selected Unemployment Insurance (UI) Tax Data from Form Employment and Training Administration (ETA) 581 (OMB Approval No. 1205-0178), Contribution Operations for the Calendar Year (CY) Ending December 31, 2009

1. **Purpose.** To provide a summary of selected ETA 581 data with associated charts and tables for CY 2009.
2. **References.** ET Handbook No. 401, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, May 9, 2007, Section II, Chapter 2; ET Handbook No. 407, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, November 20, 2003; Unemployment Insurance Program Letter (UIPL) No. 14-05, "Changes to UI Performs"; UIPL No. 14-05, Change 1; UIPL No. 28-09, "Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) Unemployment Insurance (UI) Program Goals: Fiscal Year (FY) 2008 Performance and Performance Targets for FY 2009 and FY 2010"; Form ETA 581.
3. **Background.** The Tax Performance System (TPS) is intended to assist state administrators in improving their UI programs by providing objective information on the quality of their contribution (tax) operations. An important element of the TPS is the calculation and evaluation of 19 computed measures (CMs). CM percentages are based on aggregate information taken from the quarterly ETA 581 Contribution Operations reports, the monthly ETA 2112 UI Financial Transaction Summary reports (OMB Approval No. 1205-0154), and the quarterly wage data from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (OMB Approval No. 1220-0012) that is compiled by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. CMs indicate the timeliness and completeness with which basic and essential UI tax transactions occur.

Aggregate national CMs provide a basis for comparing individual state performance with national performance. Please note that national CMs are aggregate percentages rather than an average of individual state scores. Therefore, large states and small states each affect the national scores in direct proportion to the volume of transactions reported.

4. **Information.** CMs for CY 2009 are presented in this summary report. Although this is a summary of CY 2009 activity, many of the charts in this analysis show quarterly data due to the cyclical nature of tax functions.

State, regional and national CM percentages for each of the 19 measures, along with the raw data used for computation of the percentages, are displayed in 13 CM tables that may be viewed on the Employment and Training Administration Web site at:

[http://www.oui.doleta.gov/unemploy/nat\\_sum\\_tables\\_2009.asp](http://www.oui.doleta.gov/unemploy/nat_sum_tables_2009.asp).

The information included in this Training and Employment Notice (TEN) and the referenced 13 CM tables are based on data as of April 7, 2010. The charts and tables in this TEN and the 13 CM tables may differ slightly from CM information at:

<http://www.oui.doleta.gov/unemploy/tps.asp> because this web site includes occasional ETA 581 Report adjustments made by states after April 7, 2010.

5. **Action Requested.** State Administrators are requested to distribute this Advisory to appropriate UI tax program staff.
6. **Inquiries.** Inquiries should be directed to the appropriate Regional Office.
7. **Attachments.**
  - A - Summary of National Unemployment Insurance (UI) Tax Performance Data for Calendar Year (CY) 2009
  - B - Analysis of Employment Training Administration (ETA) 581 Data for CY 2009