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ADVISORY: UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE PROGRAM LETTER NO. 6-21

**TO:** STATE WORKFORCE AGENCIES

**FROM:** JOHN PALLASCH

**Assistant Secretary** 

**SUBJECT:** Minimum Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) Weekly Benefit Amount:

January 1 – March 31, 2021

1. <u>Purpose</u>. To transmit the subject computation for State Workforce Agency usage in computing minimum weekly DUA amounts for all major disasters declared from January 1 – March 31, 2021 (second quarter of Fiscal Year (FY) 2021).

2. <u>Action Requested</u>. 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 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 second quarter of FY 2021, from January 1 to March 31, 2021, and the computation used to determine this amount.

**5.** <u>Inquiries.</u> 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.** <u>Attachment.</u> Minimum Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) Weekly Benefit Amount: January 1 March 31, 2021

#### Minimum Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) Weekly Benefit Amount: January 1, 2021 – March 31, 2021

STATES	AWBA*	50% AWBA CALCULATION	MINIMUM WBA (ROUNDED)
Alabama	\$250.08	\$125.04	\$126
Alaska	\$250.06	\$138.61	\$120 \$139
Arizona	\$238.39	\$119.19	\$139 \$120
Arkansas	\$229.97	\$114.98	\$115
California	\$297.02	\$148.51	\$149
Colorado	\$381.14	\$190.57	\$191
Connecticut	\$316.07	\$158.03	\$159
Delaware	\$252.92	\$126.46	\$127
District of Columbia	\$354.11	\$177.05	\$178
Florida	\$233.01	\$116.51	\$117
Georgia	\$263.50	\$131.75	\$132
Hawaii	\$461.05	\$230.52	\$231
Idaho	\$306.09	\$153.04	\$154
Illinois	\$338.24	\$169.12	\$170
Indiana	\$250.44	\$125.22	\$126
Iowa	\$384.32	\$174.16	\$175
Kansas	\$351.38	\$175.69	\$176
Kentucky	\$319.34	\$159.67	\$160
Louisiana	\$186.02	\$93.01	\$94
Maine	\$318.67	\$159.33	\$160
Maryland	\$320.32	\$160.16	\$161
Massachusetts	\$449.49	\$224.75	\$225
Michigan	\$321.33	\$160.66	\$161
Minnesota	\$391.54	\$195.77	\$196
Mississippi	\$190.84	\$95.42	\$96
Missouri	\$247.22	\$123.61	\$124
Montana	\$357.38	\$178.69	\$179
Nebraska	\$296.69	\$148.34	\$149
Nevada	\$355.52	\$177.76	\$178
New Hampshire	\$258.78	\$129.39	\$130
New Jersey	\$420.36	\$210.18	\$211
New Mexico	\$318.64	\$159.32	\$160
New York	\$344.66	\$172.33	\$173
North Carolina	\$227.23	\$113.61	\$114
North Dakota	\$435.41	\$217.71	\$218
Ohio	\$337.41	\$168.71	\$169
Oklahoma	\$342.93	\$171.47	\$172
Oregon	\$379.99	\$190.00	\$190
Pennsylvania	\$350.29	\$175.14	\$176
Puerto Rico	\$169.73	\$84.92	\$85
Rhode Island	\$324.80	\$162.40	\$163
South Carolina	\$240.15	\$120.08	\$121
South Dakota	\$296.30	\$148.15	\$149
Tennessee	\$217.19	\$108.60	\$109
Texas	\$364.99	\$182.49	\$183
Utah	\$362.43	\$181.21	\$182
Vermont	\$337.67	\$168.84	\$169
Virgin Islands	\$369.26	\$184.63	\$185
Virginia	\$266.49	\$133.24	\$134
Washington	\$446.90	\$223.45	\$224
West Virginia	\$259.33	\$129.66	\$130
Wisconsin	\$296.57	\$148.28	\$149
Wyoming	\$401.46	\$200.73	\$201
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<sup>\*</sup>Based on Average Weekly Benefit Amount (AWBA) for Total Unemployment 10/01/2019 through 09/30/2020

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