

Appendix A
Significant Benefit Provisions
of State Unemployment Insurance Laws
January 1, 1996

Unemployment insurance programs, which operate in the fifty states, Washington, D.C., Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands, encompass tremendous variety in benefit provisions. This appendix offers a summary of the differences in a way that is limited but suggestive of the wide range of benefit provisions in effect across the country.

Table A.1 State Minimum and Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount (WBA) and State Minimum and Maximum Potential Duration of Benefits for Total Unemployment on January 1, 1996

State	Minimum WBA ^a	Maximum WBA ^b	Minimum Duration ^c	Maximum Duration
Alabama	\$22	180	15	26
Alaska	44-68	212-284	16	26
Arizona	40	185	12	26
Arkansas	47	264	9	26
California	40	230	14	26
Colorado	25	272	13	26
Connecticut	15-25	350-400	26	26
Delaware	20	300	24	26
DC	50	359	20	26
Florida	10	250	10	26
Georgia	37	205	9	26
Hawaii	5	347	26	26
Idaho	44	248	10	26
Illinois	51	251-322	26	26
Indiana	87	217	8	26
Iowa	33-40	224-274	11	26
Kansas	65	260	10	26
Kentucky	22	238	15	26
Louisiana	10	181	26	26
Maine	35-52	202-303	21	26
Maryland	25-33	250	26	26
Massachusetts	14-21	347-521	10	30
Michigan	42	293	15	26
Minnesota	38	303	10	26
Mississippi	30	180	13	26
Missouri	45	175	11	26
Montana	57	228	8	26
Nebraska	20	184	20	26
Nevada	16	237	12	26
New Hampshire	32	216	26	26
New Jersey	60	362	15	26
New Mexico	42	212	19	26
New York	40	300	26	26
North Carolina	25	297	13	26
North Dakota	43	243	12	26
Ohio	66	253-339	20	26

State	Minimum WBA^a	Maximum WBA^b	Minimum Duration^c	Maximum Duration
Oklahoma	16	247	20	26
Oregon	70	301	4	26
Pennsylvania	35-40	352-360	16	26
Puerto Rico	7	133	26	26
Rhode Island	41-51	324-404	15	26
South Carolina	20	213	15	26
South Dakota	28	180	15	26
Tennessee	30	200	12	26
Texas	42	252	9	26
Utah	17	263	10	26
Vermont	25	212	26	26
Virginia	65	208	12	26
Virgin Islands	32	214	13	26
Washington	75	350	16	30
West Virginia	24	290	26	26
Wisconsin	52	274	12	26
Wyoming	16	233	12	26

SOURCE. U S Department of Labor, "Comparison of State Unemployment Insurance Laws," Employment and Training Administration, Unemployment Insurance Service, 1995

a. When two amounts are given, the higher figure includes dependents' allowances Augmented amount for the minimum weekly benefit amount (WBA) includes allowances for one dependent child

b. Augmented amount for the maximum WBA includes allowances for maximum number of dependents. In the District of Columbia, Maryland, and New Jersey the maximum is not affected by dependents.

c Potential duration of benefits for claimants who qualify for minimum WBA with minimum qualifying wages.

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