

July 31, 2024

Mr. Joseph Williams
Office of Unemployment Insurance
Room S-4524
Employment and Training Administration
United States Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20210

RE: Federal Register notice of June 24, 2024, Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund Activities

Reports (OMB Number: 1205-0154)

Dear Mr. Williams:

The Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) strongly supports the continued collection of data by the Employment and Training Administration's Unemployment Insurance (UI) Trust Fund Activities Reports, specifically Form ETA 2112: UI Financial Transaction Summary, Unemployment Fund. The data collected on this form are crucial to key components of BEA's regional economic statistics.

BEA is responsible for the preparation of the official estimates of the regional accounts of the United States. The data collected is used to prepare regional estimates of personal income. These estimates, which are published on a quarterly and annual basis, provide key information on the current economic picture of the states to state government officials, policy makers, and the public. A list is attached containing the specific data items, along with a description of how they are used by BEA.

Please keep BEA informed about any modifications to this form. We are particularly interested in any modifications proposed during the form's approval process that would substantially affect our use of these data. For additional information, please contact Tiffany Burrell, Source Data Coordinator, on 301-278-9618, or by e-mail at <u>Tiffany.Burrell@bea.gov</u>. Should you need assistance in justifying these forms to the Office of Management and Budget, please do not hesitate to contact BEA.

Sincerely,

Dennis Fixler Chief Economist

Attachment



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Use of Form ETA 2112 (UI Financial Transaction Summary) by BEA

| Line No. | Title | Use | BEA Program |
|-------------|--|------------------------------------|---|
| 17 | From Other States – Interstate Benefits (Deposits from other states as reimbursement of Unemployment Insurance (UI) benefits paid under combined wage plans) | State UI Benefits | State Personal Income – Transfer Component |
| 31 | Net UI Benefits | | |
| 32 | Net State Share – Extended Benefits | | |
| 33 | Net Reimbursable Benefit Payments – Local Government/ Indian Tribes | | |
| 34 | Net Reimbursable Benefit Payments – State Government | | |
| 35 | Net Reimbursable Benefit Payments – (Nonprofit Organizations) | | |
| 36 | Federal Employees Compensation Account (FECA) Net Benefit Payments – Ex-service Members (UCX) | (UCX) Unemployment Benefits | |
| 37 | Net Federal Benefit Payments (Federal Share Regular Benefits) | State UI Benefits | |
| 38 | Net Federal Benefit Payments (Federal Share Extended Benefits) | | |
| 40 | PEUC Activity | | |
| 42 | Federal Emergency Compensation | | |
| 42b | Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC) | | |
| 42c | Pandemic Unemployment Assistance | | |
| 43 | To Other States – Interstate Benefits (Amounts transferred from other states as reimbursement of benefits paid under combined wage plans) | | |
| 46 | FECA Net Benefit Payments – Ex-federal civilian employees (including Postal) (UCFE) | (UCFE) Unemployment benefits | |

From 7/2017 Facsimile of Form ETA 2112 UI Financial Transaction Summary, UI Reports HANDBOOK NO. 401, 5th EDITION; and ETA 2112 Data Map (https://oui.doleta.gov/dmstree/handbooks/402/402 4/4024c6/4024c6.pdf#ETA2112)