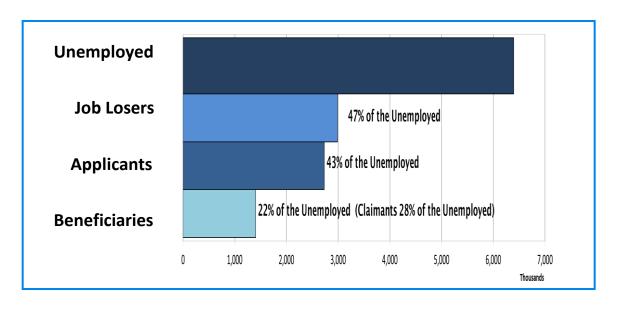
# Unemployment Insurance Comparison of State Benefit Adequacy and Recipiency 2019



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#### **Unemployment Insurance Benefit Adequacy and Recipiency**

#### **Introduction**

This yearly report was constructed to provide greater insight into State Unemployment Insurance (UI) benefit payments. In the only country that maintains so many independent regional (state) UI programs, understanding the differences in program characteristics is important for any type of evaluation.

However, attempting to capture many of the dynamics behind benefit adequacy is difficult. Recognizing this complexity, this report attempts to capture these dynamics through the presentation of several metrics to allow for a deeper assessment within each state and across states.

In this report, each state metric is compared against some type of appropriate "standard." Fortunately, there has been a tremendous amount of work done in establishing a "standard" for the level of benefit payments. Indeed, a level of benefit adequacy, commonly measured as the replacement of wages, was actually developed soon after the program began in 1935. This now longstanding principle holds that a state's weekly benefit amount should replace at least one-half of a worker's prior weekly wage for a six-month period, with a maximum weekly benefit amount equal to at least two-thirds of a state's average weekly wage. Although this prescribed level of payments was never placed into Federal law, it has been confirmed thereafter by numerous advisory bodies<sup>1</sup>.

Also captured in these pages is the difference in how each state pays claimants at various wage levels. By comparing the same four hypothetical claimants of different wage levels in each state an evaluation can be done on the distribution of benefit payments.

Finally, another important aspect of benefit adequacy is provided for each state- the proportion of unemployed that are receiving UI benefits, commonly referred to as the recipiency rate. This proportion is dependent on many factors, including: the number of people applying for benefits, the number of weeks of benefits available from the state, the eligibility criteria for benefits, and administrative procedures. Unfortunately, no reasonable "standard" exists for this dynamic, however, using this report a comparison can be made with other states and within each state over time to gain a much deeper picture of how economic and legislative factors may be impacting each state's UI benefit adequacy.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The most recent confirmation of this standard came from the Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation (ACUC Recommendation 1995-22) in 1996.

#### Alaska 2019

S	tate Benefit Payment Amoun	ts	
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$56	\$128	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$370	\$442	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$9,620	\$11,492	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	16	16	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$255



Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup>

\$300

State Minimum Weekly Wage⁴ \$396



Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$932

7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

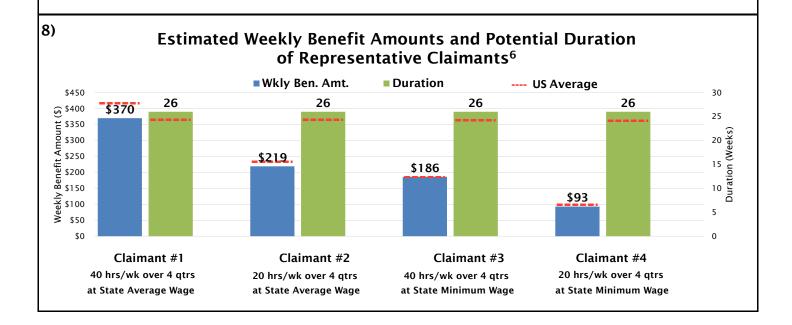
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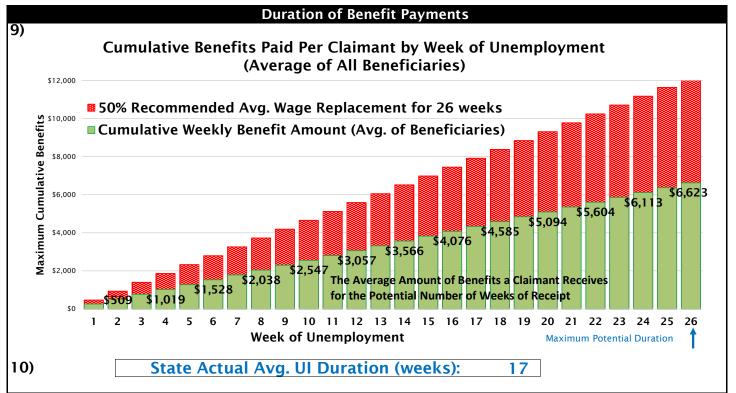
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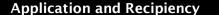
Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>:

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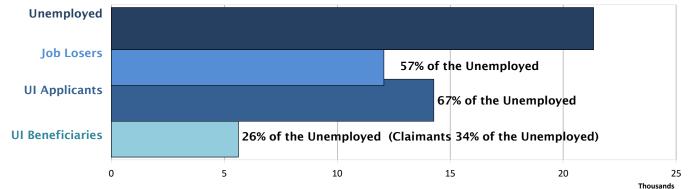
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 31%

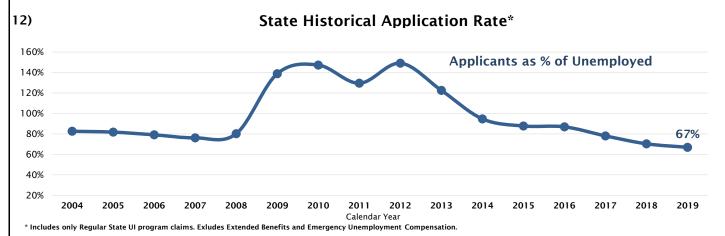






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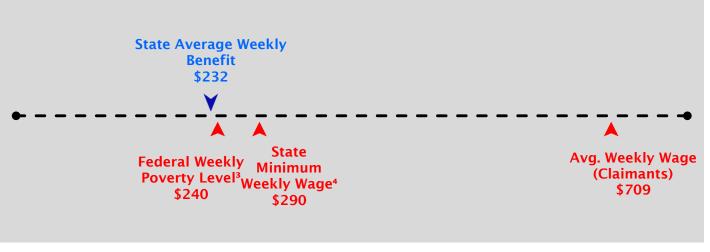




- 1. Formula for claimant's Weekly Benefit Amount is based on specified prior wage level, see Data Definitions item 1.
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State Benefit Payment Amounts				
Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>			
\$45	N/A			
\$265	N/A			
\$6,890	N/A			
15	15			
26	26			
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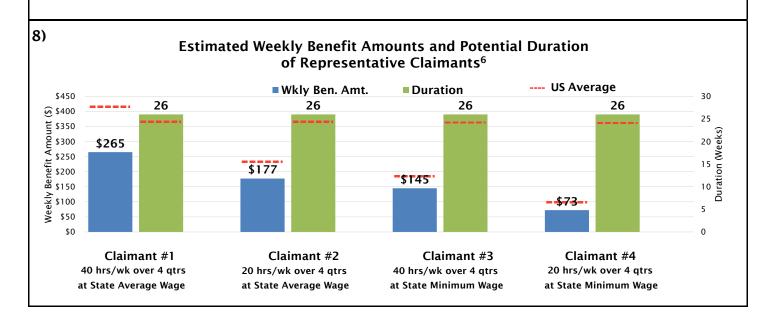
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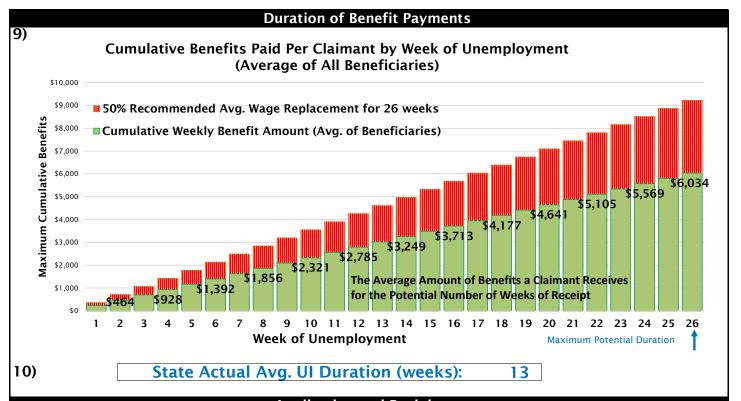
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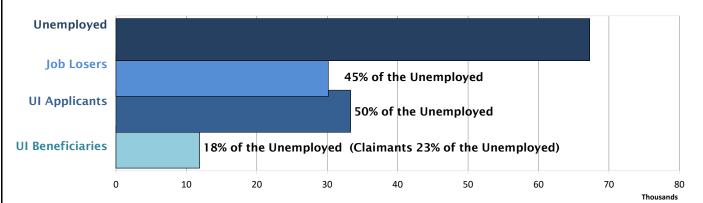
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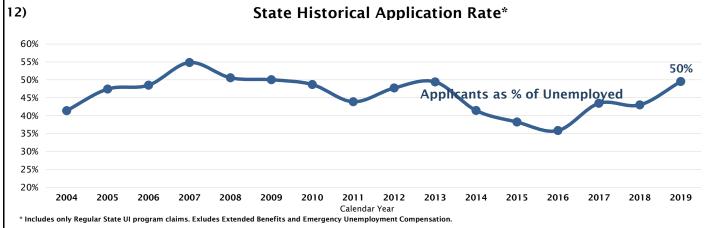
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 38%











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State Benefit Payment Amounts	
Without Dependents	With D

	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$81	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$451	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$7,216	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	9	9	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	16	16	

State Average Weekly Benefit \$269

Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240 State Minimum Weekly Wage⁴ \$370

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$716

7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

50%

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

% of State's Avg Weekly Wage:

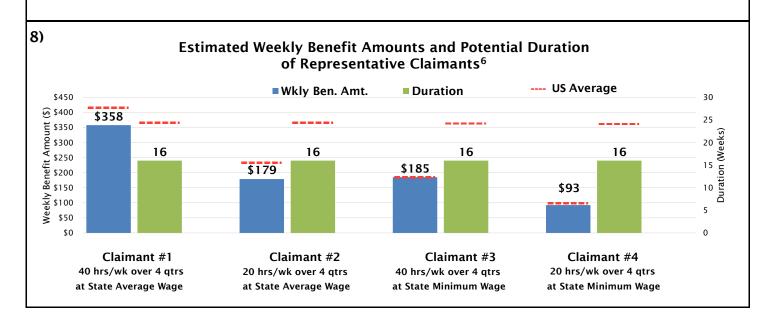
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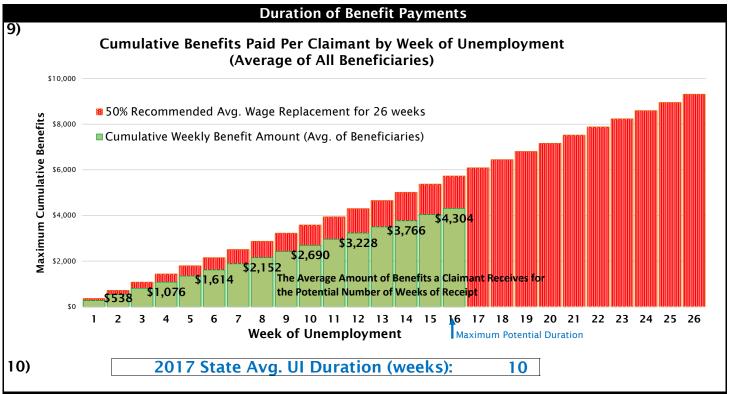
Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>:

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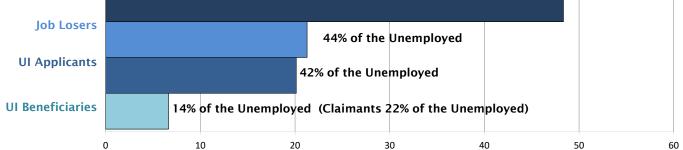
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 40%



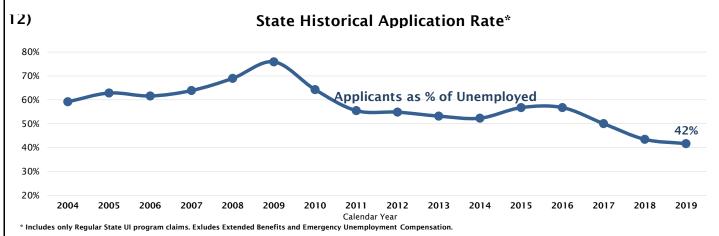




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State Benefit Payment Amounts				
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>		
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$172	N/A		
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$240	N/A		
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$6,240	N/A		
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	8	8		
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26		



Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240 State Minimum Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup> \$440

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$770

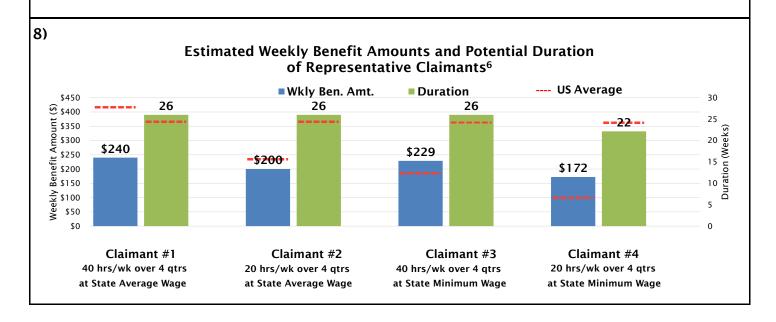
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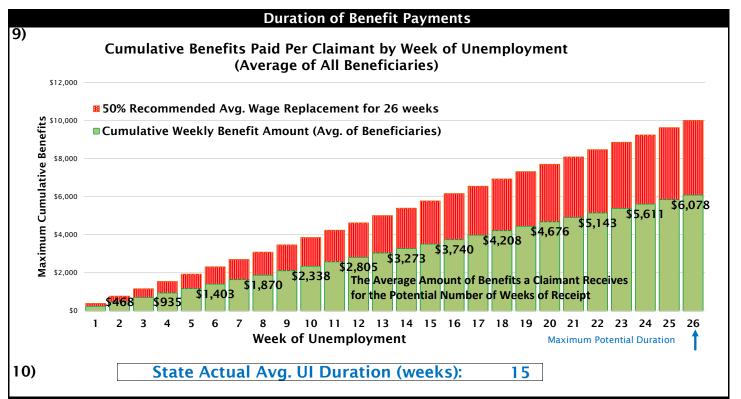
State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as 52% of State's Avg Weekly Wage: 51%Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>: 50%

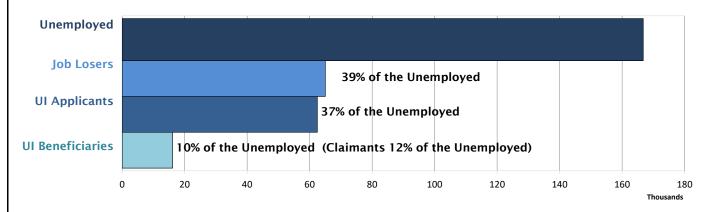
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 37%

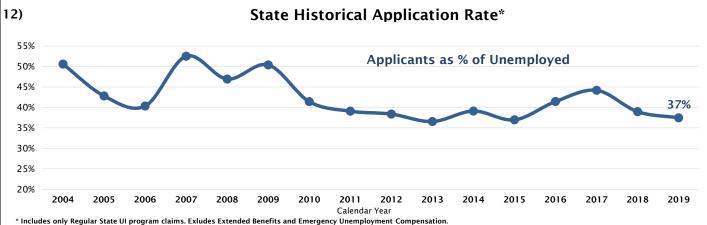












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#### California 2019

State Benefit Payment Amounts				
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>		
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$40	N/A		
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$450	N/A		
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$11,700	N/A		
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	14	14		
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26		

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$345

Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240 State Minimum Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup> \$480

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$997

#### 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

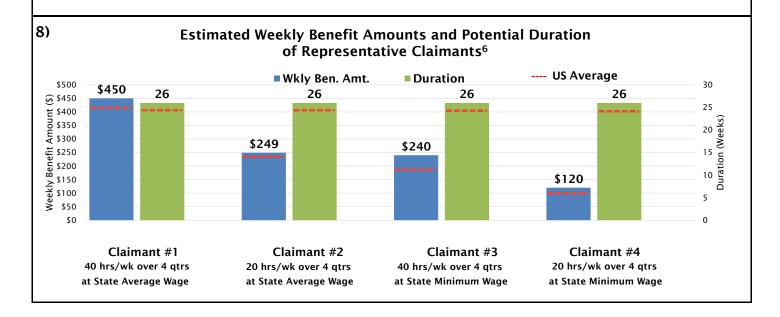
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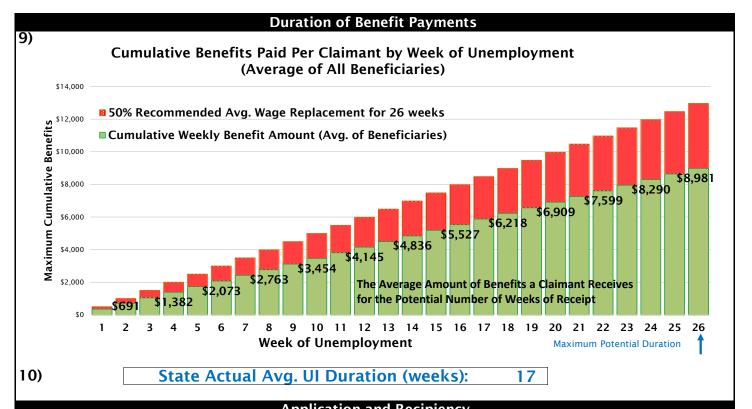
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State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

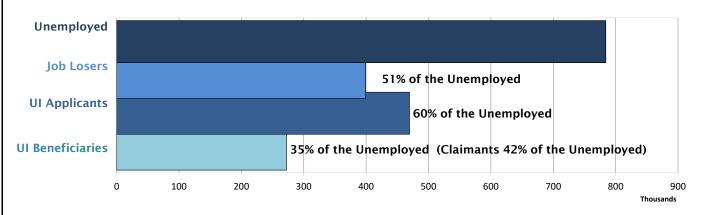
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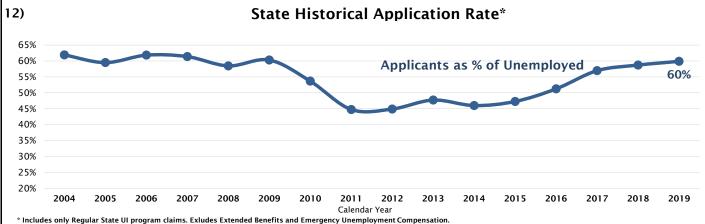
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 44%







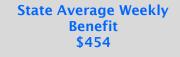




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State Benefit Payment Amounts				
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>		
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$25	N/A		
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$542	\$573		
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$14,092	N/A		
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	13	13		
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26		



Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240 State Minimum Weekly Wage⁴ \$444

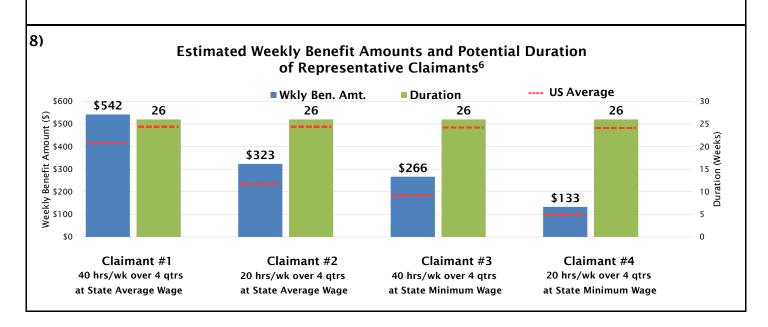
Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$1,078

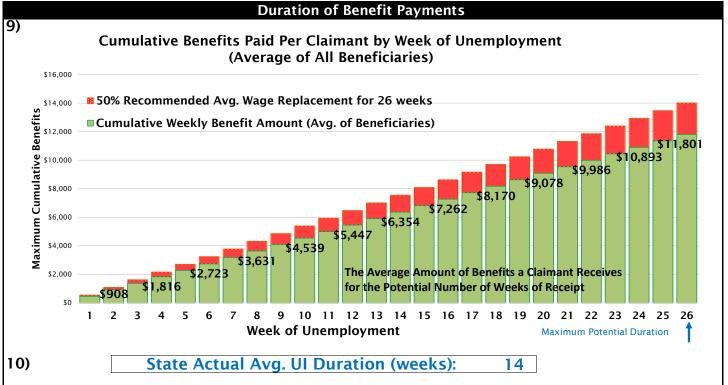
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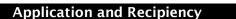
State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

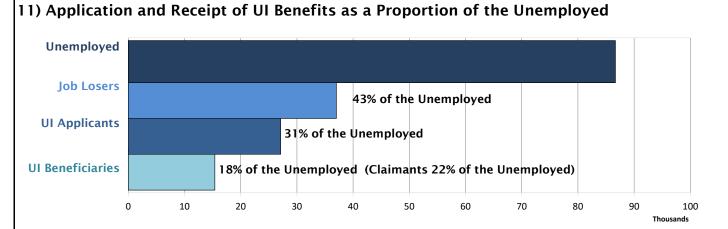
As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages: 60%State Maximum Weekly Benefit as 60%Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>: 60% 67%

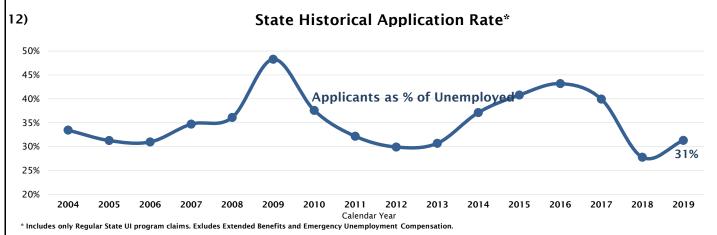
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 48%











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### **Connecticut 2019**

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	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$15	\$30	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$631	\$706	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$16,406	\$18,356	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	26	26	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$395

Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240 State Minimum Weekly Wage⁴ \$440

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$945

7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount
As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as % of State's Avg Weekly Wage:

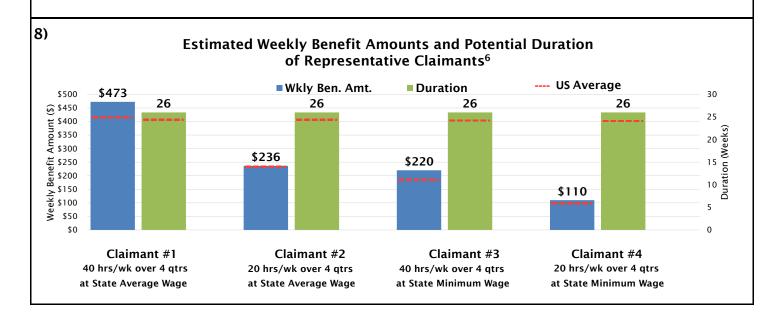
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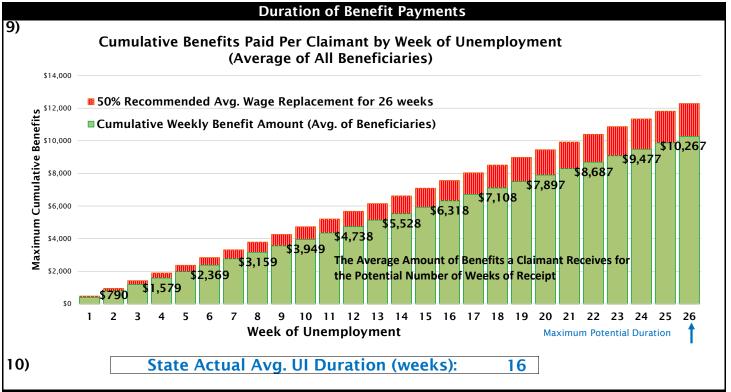
Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>:

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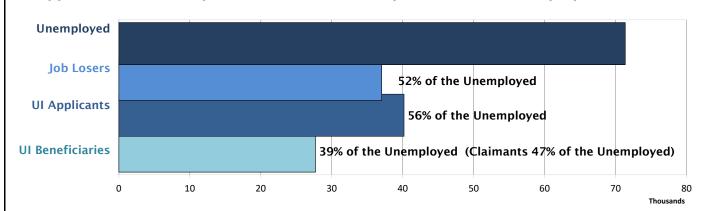
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 45%

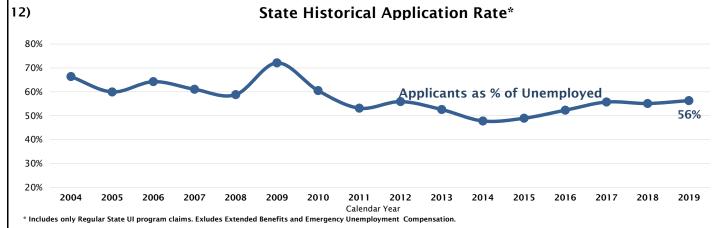




#### **Application and Recipiency**

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## District of Columbia 2019

State Benefit Payment Amounts					
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>			
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$50	N/A			
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$438	N/A			

3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount: \$11,388 N/A 4) Minimum Duration (weeks): 26 26 5) Maximum Duration (weeks): 26 26

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

**State Average Weekly Benefit** \$359

**Federal Weekly** Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240

Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>:

State Minimum Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup> \$560

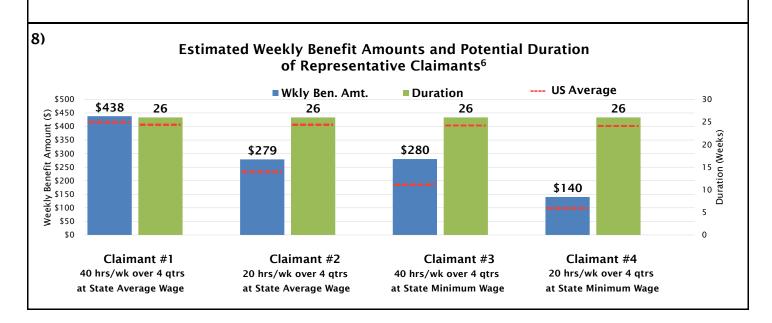
Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$1,115

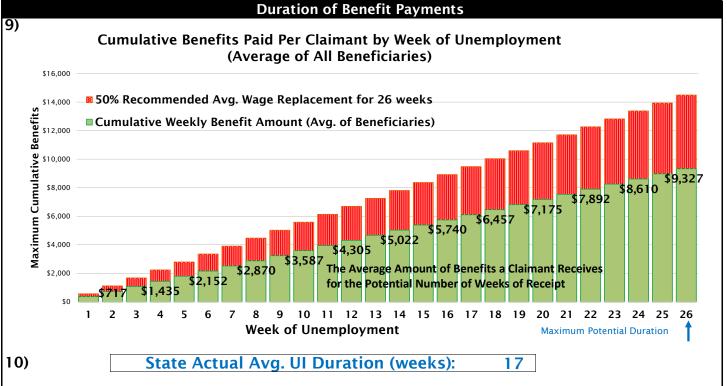
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7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount State Maximum Weekly Benefit as As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages: 50% 39% % of State's Avg Weekly Wage: 50%

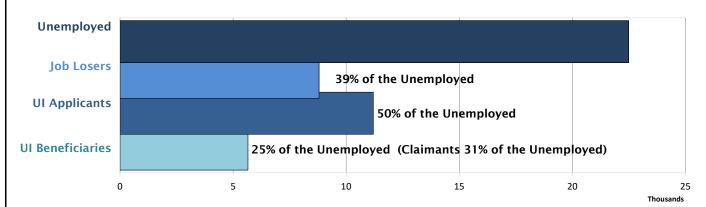
> State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 39%

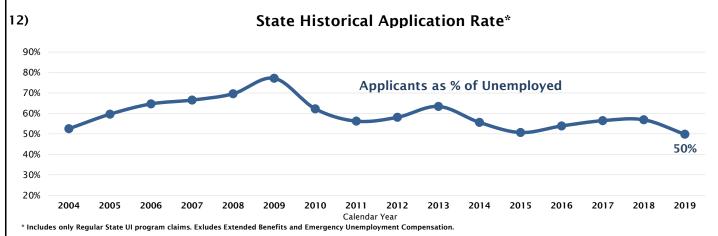




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State Benefit Pa	syment Amounts
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	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$20	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$330	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$8,580	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	24	24	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

State Average Weekly Benefit \$273



Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup>

\$240

State Minimum Weekly Wage⁴ \$370



Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$805

7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

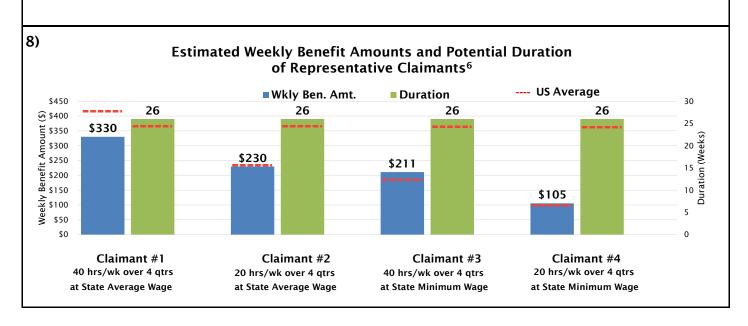
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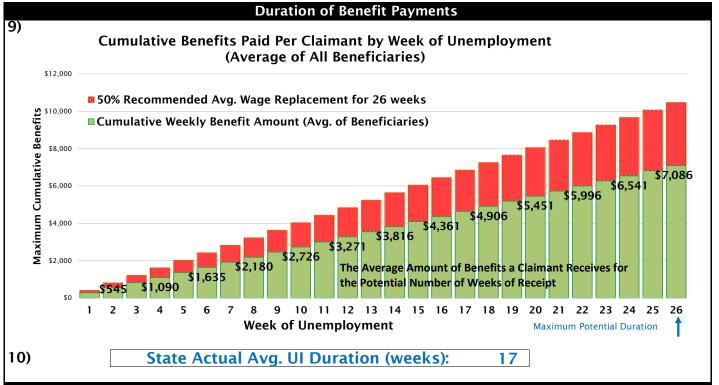
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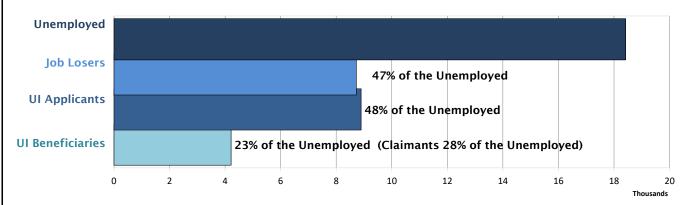
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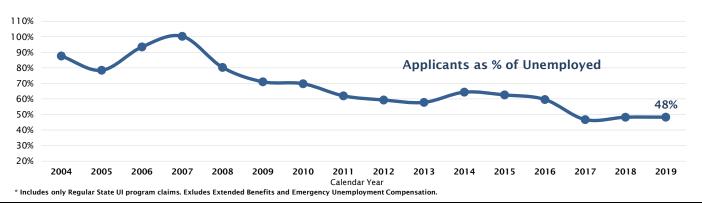


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State Benefit Payment Amounts						
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>				
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$32	N/A				
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$275	N/A				
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$6,325	N/A				
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	9	9				
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	12	12				



Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240 State Minimum Weekly Wage⁴ \$338

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$810

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State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

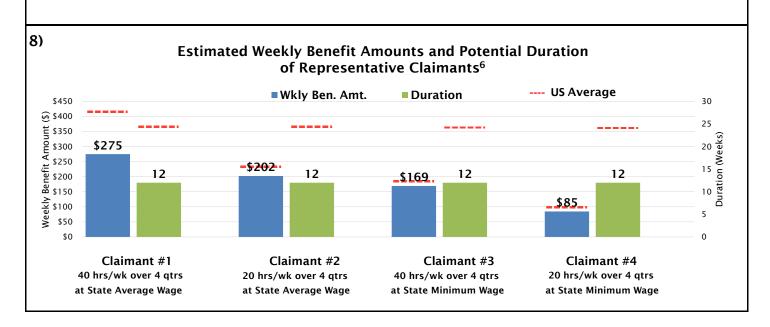
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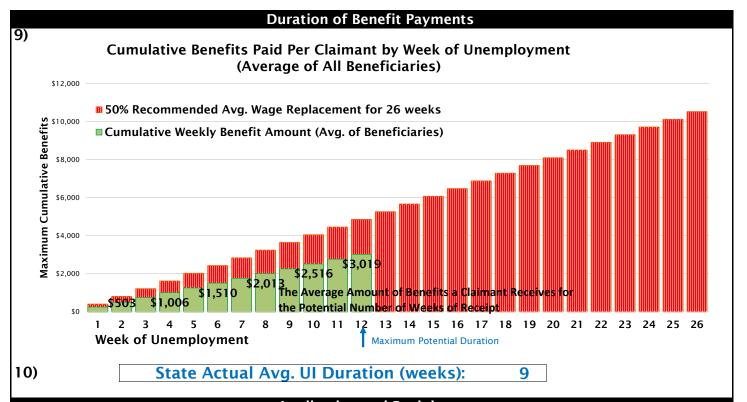
34%

Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>:

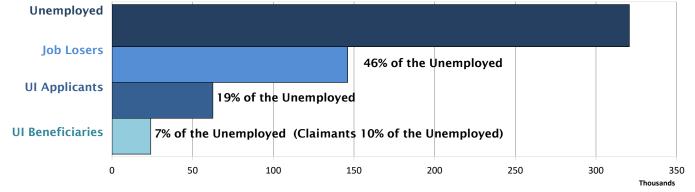
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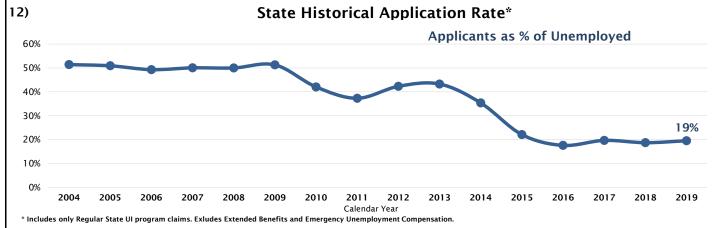
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 38%











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	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$44	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$330	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$6,600	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	6	6	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	14	14	

State Average Weekly Benefit \$305

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Minimedieral Weekly
Weekly Wagety Level<sup>3</sup>
\$290 \$240

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$910

7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

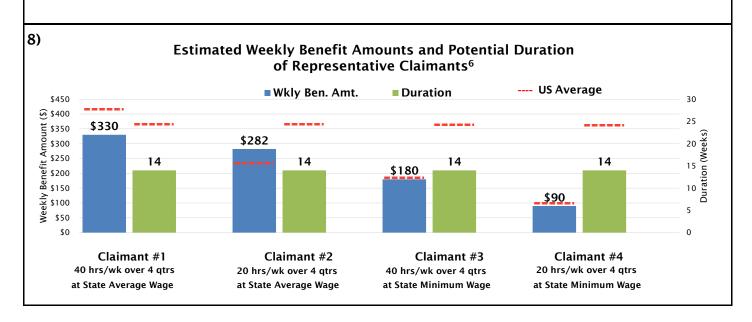
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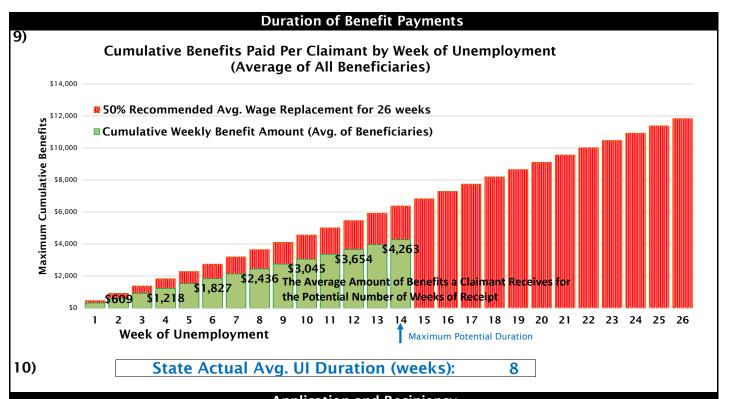
State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

62% % of State's Avg Weekly Wage:

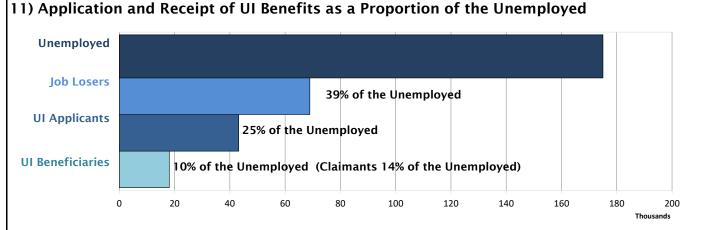
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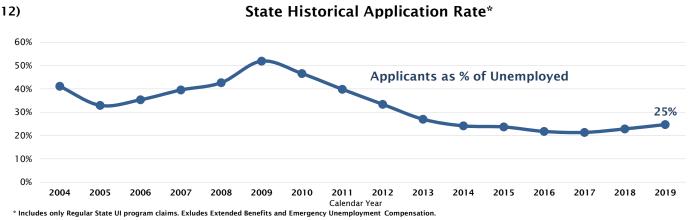
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 44%











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St	ate Benefit Payment Amount	:S	
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$5	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$630	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$16,380	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	26	26	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

State Average Weekly Benefit \$536

Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$277 State Minimum Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup> \$404

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$1,161

#### 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

62% % of State's Avg Weekly Wage:

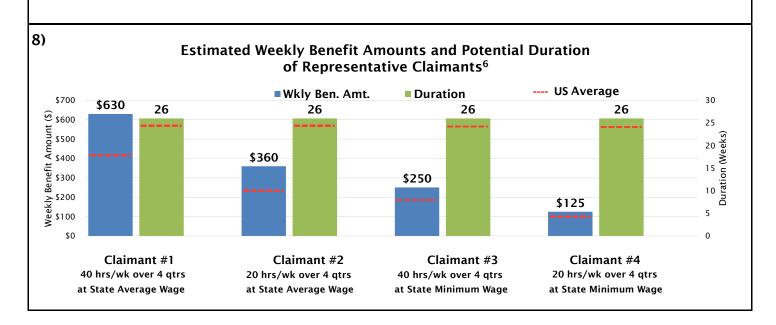
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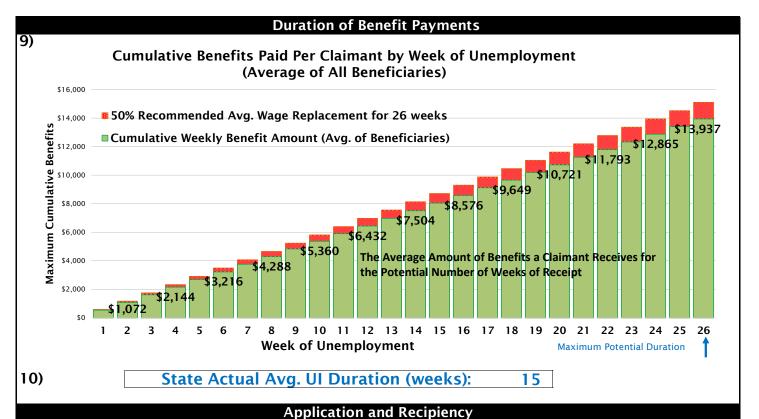
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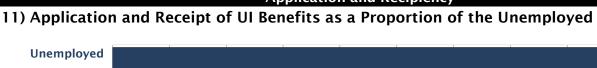
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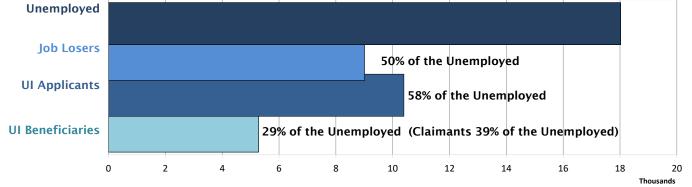
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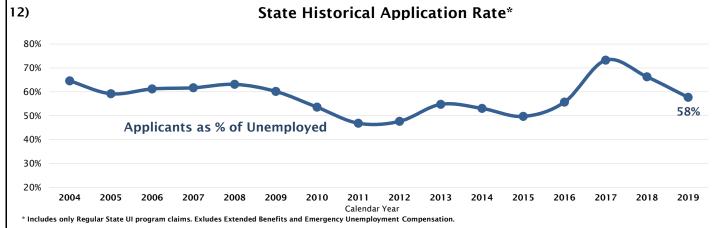
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 54%











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State Benefit Payment Amounts			
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$70	\$84	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$467	\$573	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$12,142	\$14,898	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	8	8	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

State Average Weekly Benefit \$395

Federal Weekly State
Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> Minimum
\$240 Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup>
\$290

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$816

#### 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

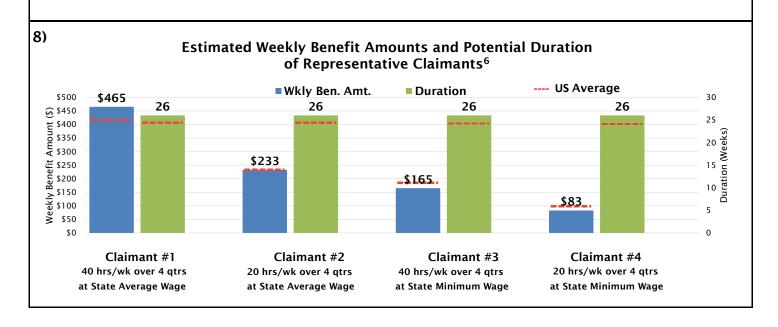
% of State's Avg Weekly Wage:

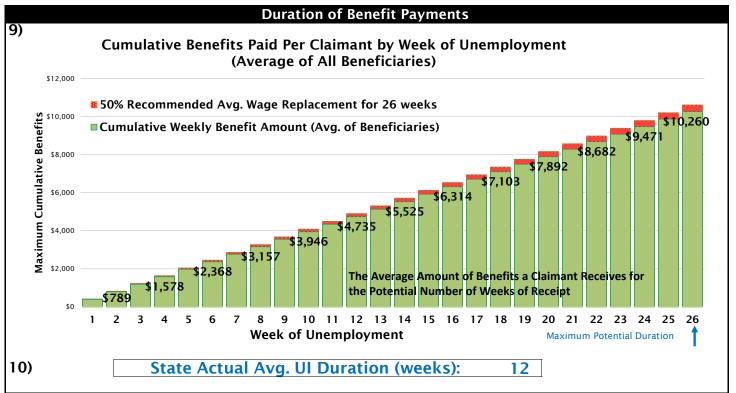
57%

Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>:

50%

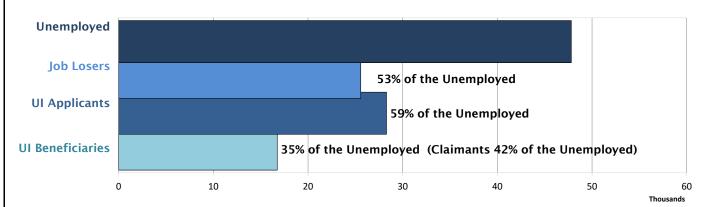
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 53%

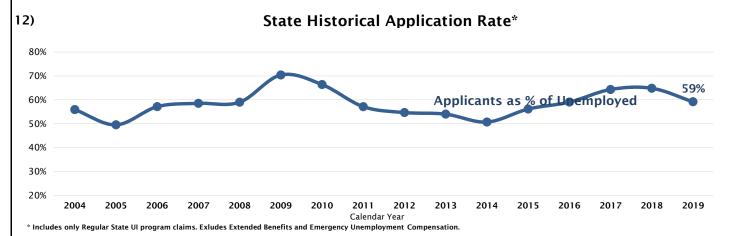












- 1. Dependents benefits represent the maximum amount a claimant may receive under the most number of dependents allowed.
- 2. Average Weekly Benefit and Replacement Rate as measured from the state's Benefit Accuracy Measures (sampling) database for the year.
- 3. Yearly standard provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. See Data Definitions item 8.
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- 5. Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation (1996) recommendation, 1995-22.
- 6. Representative Claimants chosen to display the range of benefits and duration does not include Dependents, see Data Definitions item 11.

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	State Benefit Payment Amount	S	
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$72	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$414	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$10,764	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	10	10	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	20	20	

State Average Weekly Benefit \$340

State
Federal Weekly Minimum
Poverty Level<sup>3</sup>Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup>
\$240 \$290

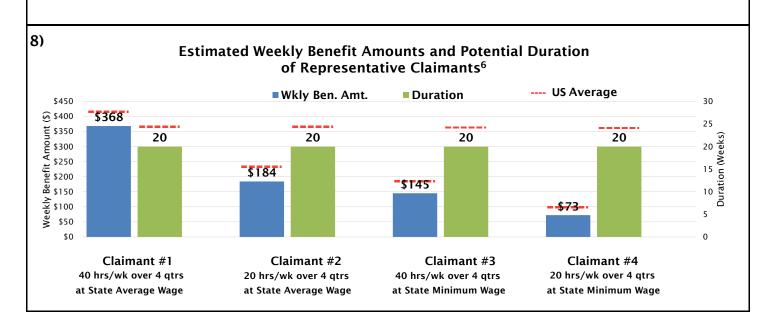
Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$736

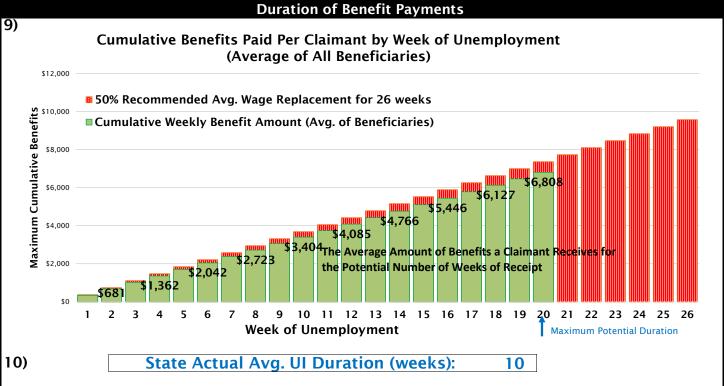
#### 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages: 50% % of State's Avg Weekly Wage: 56%Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>: 50%

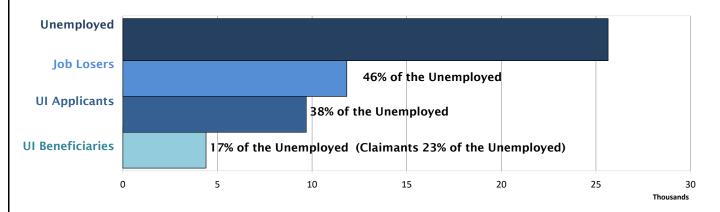
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 49%





# **Application and Recipiency**

#### 11) Application and Receipt of UI Benefits as a Proportion of the Unemployed





2011

2012

2013

2014

2015

2017

2018

2019

2008 Calendar Year \* Includes only Regular State UI program claims. Exludes Extended Benefits and Emergency Unemployment Compensation.

#### Footnote:

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2004

2005

2006

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- Average Weekly Benefit and Replacement Rate as measured from the state's Benefit Accuracy Measures (sampling) database for the year.
- Yearly standard provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. See Data Definitions item 8.

2009

State hourly minimum wage for 40 hours, as defined by state law - lowest of all state defined minimums. See Data Definitions item 8.

2010

Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation (1996) recommendation, 1995-22.

2007

Representative Claimants chosen to display the range of benefits and duration does not include Dependents, see Data Definitions item 11

#### Illinois 2019

Si	tate Benefit Payment Amount	ts	
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$51	\$77	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$471	\$648	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$12,246	\$16,848	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	26	26	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>



Federal Weekly Minimum
Poverty Level<sup>3</sup>Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup>
\$240 \$330

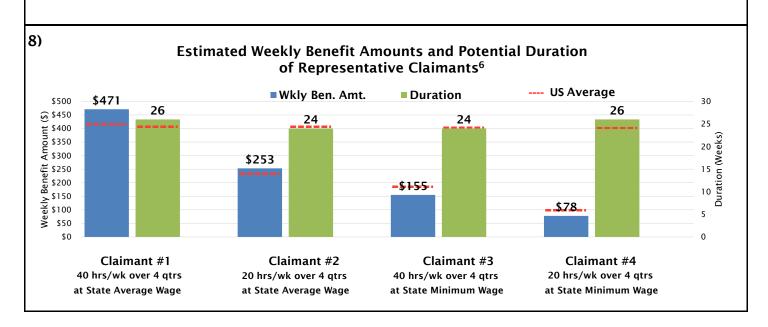
Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$1,077

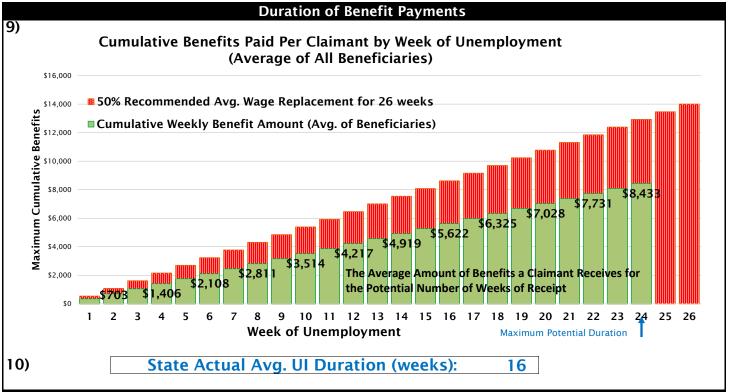
#### 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages: 47%State Maximum Weekly Benefit as 47%of State's Avg Weekly Wage: 44%Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>: 50%

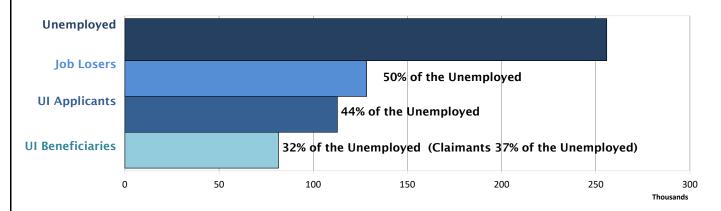
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 38%



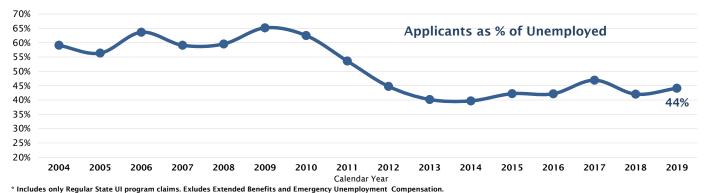


#### **Application and Recipiency**

#### 11) Application and Receipt of UI Benefits as a Proportion of the Unemployed







- 1. Dependents benefits represent the maximum amount a claimant may receive under the most number of dependents allowed.
- Average Weekly Benefit and Replacement Rate as measured from the state's Benefit Accuracy Measures (sampling) database for the year.
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- State hourly minimum wage for 40 hours, as defined by state law lowest of all state defined minimums. See Data Definitions item 8.
- Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation (1996) recommendation, 1995-22.

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Footnote:

Representative Claimants chosen to display the range of benefits and duration does not include Dependents, see Data Definitions item 11

#### Indiana 2019

St	tate Benefit Payment Amoun	ts	
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$37	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$390	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$10,140	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	26	26	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$300

State
Federal Weekly Minimum
Poverty Level Weekly Wage4
\$240 \$290

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$904

#### 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

47%

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

47%

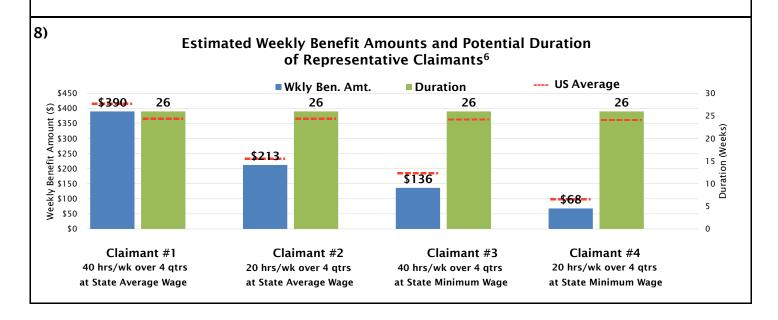
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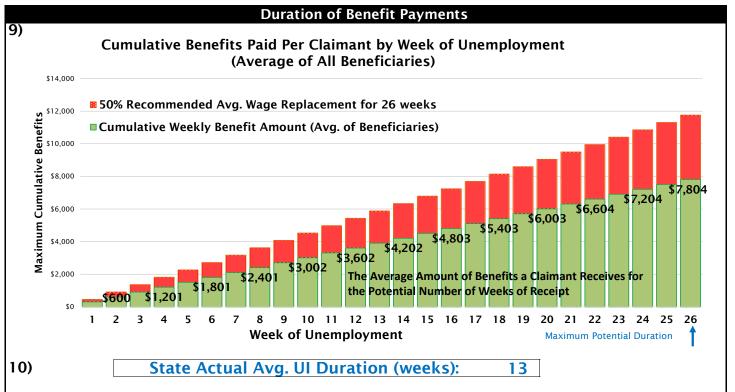
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Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>:

50%

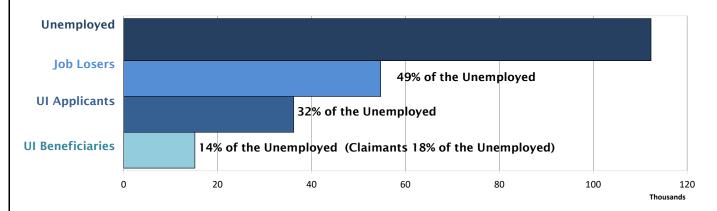
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 37%

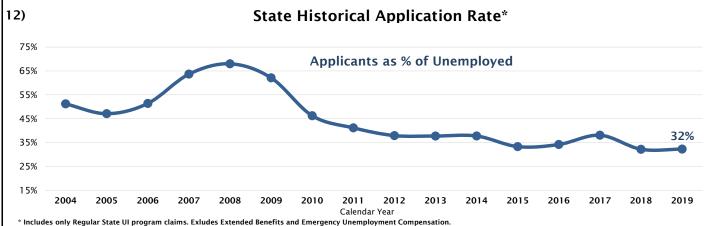












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- 2. Average Weekly Benefit and Replacement Rate as measured from the state's Benefit Accuracy Measures (sampling) database for the year.
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- 6. Representative Claimants chosen to display the range of benefits and duration does not include Dependents, see Data Definitions item 11.

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St	ate Benefit Payment Amount	.S	
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$118	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$474	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$12,324	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	10	10	

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6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$390

Federal Weekly Minimum
Poverty Level Weekly Wage
\$240 \$290

5) Maximum Duration (weeks):

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$886

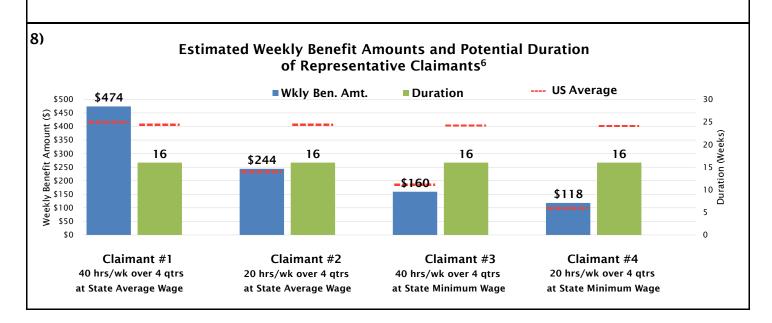
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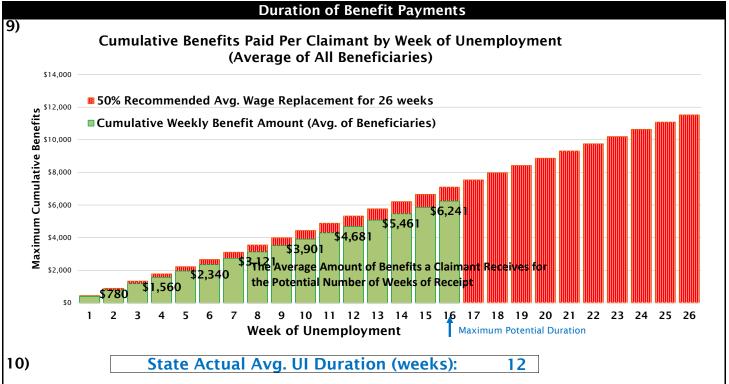
#### 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages: 55% % of State's Avg Weekly Wage: 53%Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>: 50%

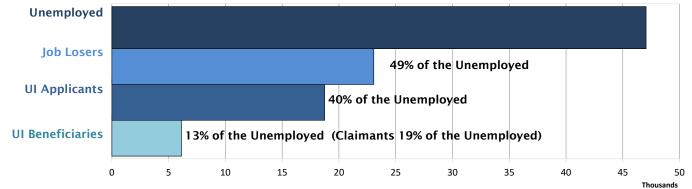
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 51%

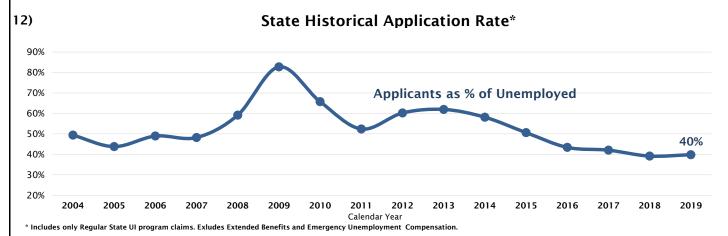






# 11) Application and Receipt of UI Benefits as a Proportion of the Unemployed





- 1. Dependents benefits represent the maximum amount a claimant may receive under the most number of dependents allowed.
- 1a. State law varies the maximum duration based upon the state's unemployment rate.
- 2. Average Weekly Benefit and Replacement Rate as measured from the state's Benefit Accuracy Measures (sampling) database for the year.
- 3. Yearly standard provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 4. State hourly minimum wage for 40 hours, as defined by state law lowest of all state defined minimums. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 5. Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation (1996) recommendation, 1995-22.

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	State Benefit Payment Amoun	ts	
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$39	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$502	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$13,052	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	15	15	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$352

Federal Weekly Minimum
Poverty Level<sup>3</sup>Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup>
\$240 \$290

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$790

7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

62%

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

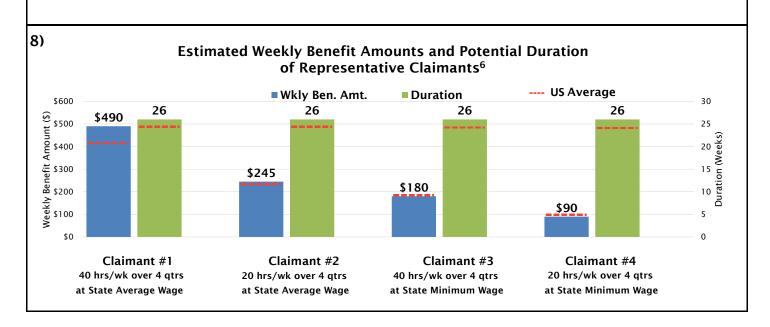
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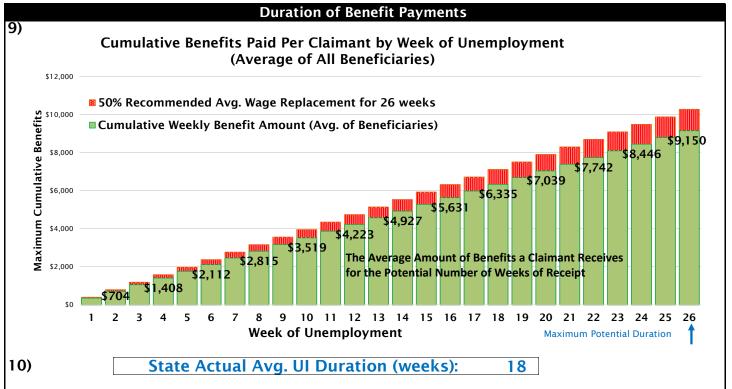
8 of State's Avg Weekly Wage:

64%

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State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 49%







17% of the Unemployed (Claimants 19% of the Unemployed)

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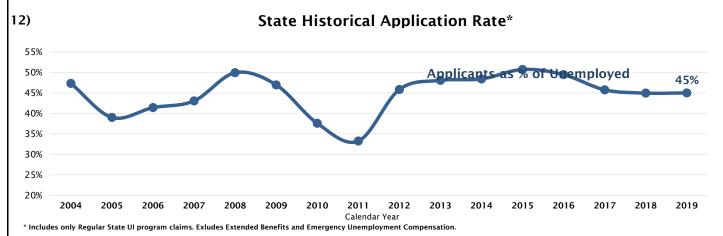
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# Unemployed Job Losers UI Applicants Job Losers 41% of the Unemployed 45% of the Unemployed

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## Footnote:

**UI Beneficiaries** 

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- 2. Average Weekly Benefit and Replacement Rate as measured from the state's Benefit Accuracy Measures (sampling) database for the year.
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- 6. Representative Claimants chosen to display the range of benefits and duration does not include Dependents, see Data Definitions item 11.

# Louisiana 2019

State Benefit	<b>Payment Amounts</b>
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	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$10	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$221	\$284	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$5,746	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	26	26	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$216

Federal Weekly Minimum
Poverty Level Weekly Wage4

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$749

7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

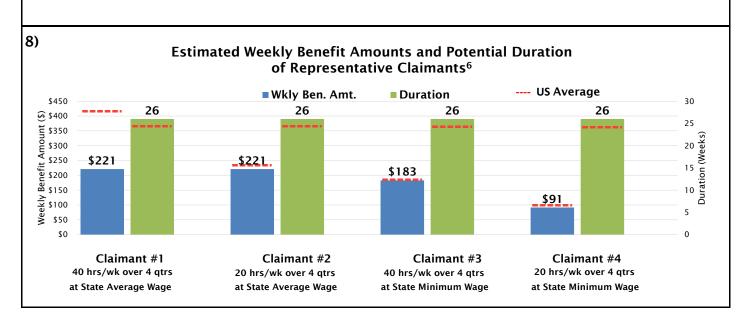
State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

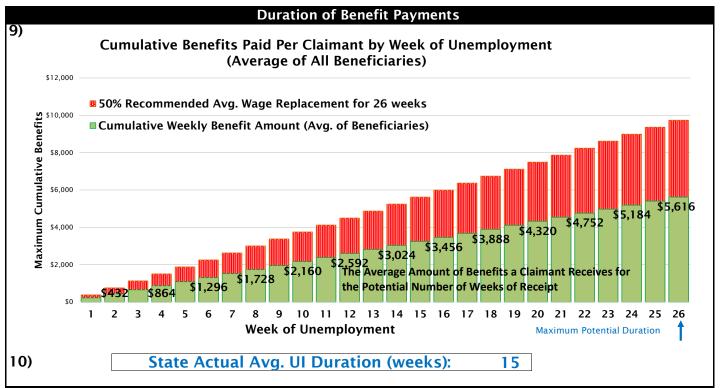
63% % of State's Avg Weekly Wage:

50%

67%

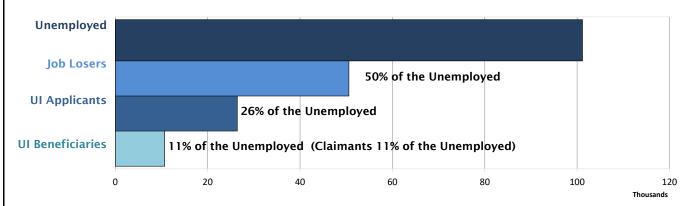
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 34%



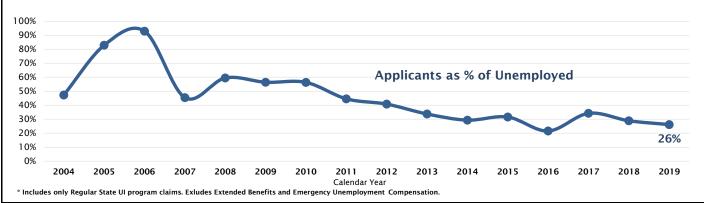








## State Historical Application Rate\*



## Footnote:

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- 1. Dependents benefits represent the maximum amount a claimant may receive under the most number of dependents allowed.
- 2. Average Weekly Benefit and Replacement Rate as measured from the state's Benefit Accuracy Measures (sampling) database for the year.
- 3. Yearly standard provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 4. State hourly minimum wage for 40 hours, as defined by state law lowest of all state defined minimums. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 5. Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation (1996) recommendation, 1995-22.
- 6. Representative Claimants chosen to display the range of benefits and duration does not include Dependents, see Data Definitions item 11.

# Massachusetts 2019

State Benefit Pa	syment Amounts
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	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$45	\$67	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$795	\$1,192	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$23,850	\$35,760	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	10	10	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	30	30	

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$525

Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240 State Minimum Weekly Wage⁴ \$480

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$1,207

7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

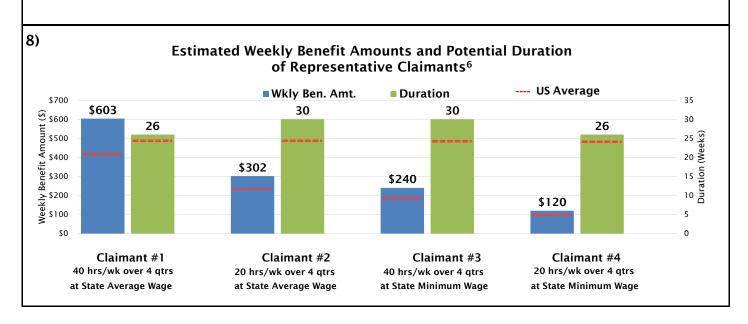
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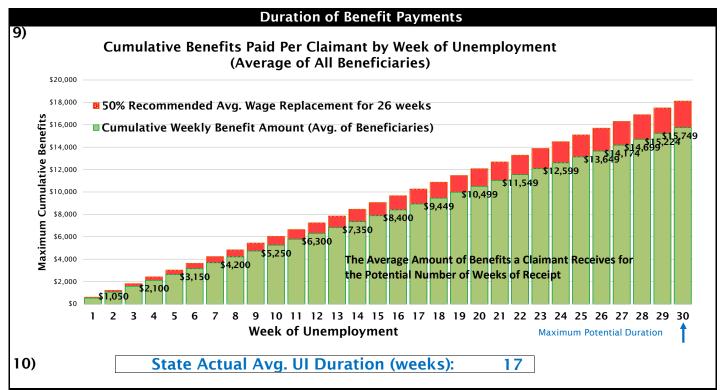
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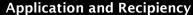
8 of State's Avg Weekly Wage:

67%

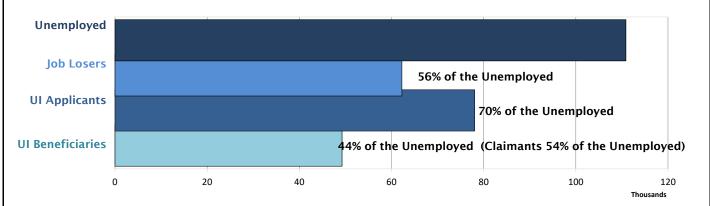
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 49%

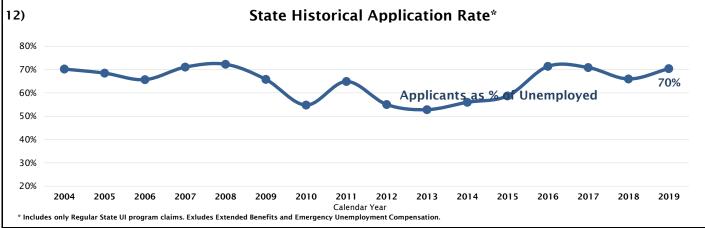












- 1. Dependents benefits represent the maximum amount a claimant may receive under the most number of dependents allowed.
- 1a. Maximum number of weeks is capped at 26 during periods of low unemployment.
- 2. Average Weekly Benefit and Replacement Rate as measured from the state's Benefit Accuracy Measures (sampling) database for the year.
- 3. Yearly standard provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 4. State hourly minimum wage for 40 hours, as defined by state law lowest of all state defined minimums. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 5. Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation (1996) recommendation, 1995-22.

# Maryland 2019

St	ate Benefit Payment Amount	.S	
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$50	\$90	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$430	\$430	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$11,180	\$11,180	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

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6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$357

Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240

5) Maximum Duration (weeks):

State Minimum Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup> \$404

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$894

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7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

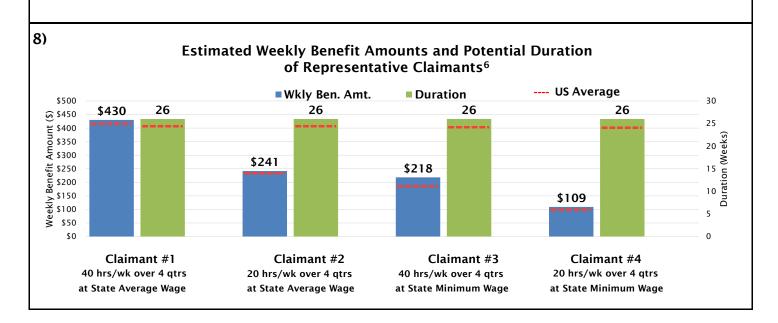
State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

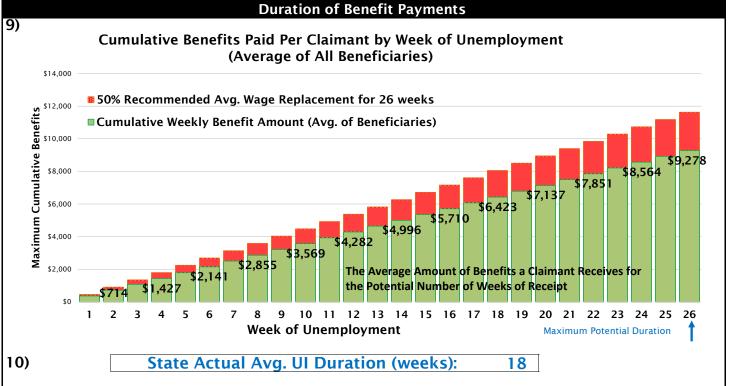
67%

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

67%

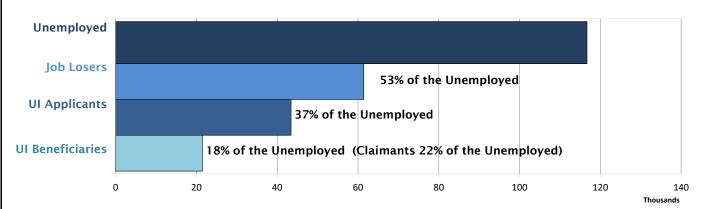
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 46%

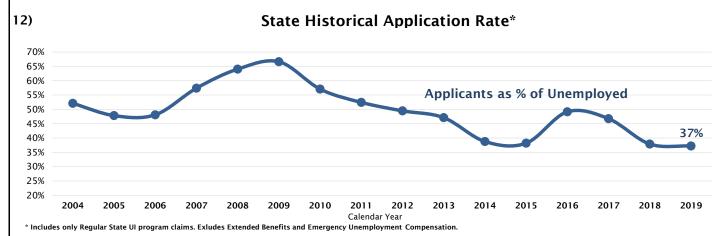




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# 11) Application and Receipt of UI Benefits as a Proportion of the Unemployed





- 1. Dependents benefits represent the maximum amount a claimant may receive under the most number of dependents allowed.
- Average Weekly Benefit and Replacement Rate as measured from the state's Benefit Accuracy Measures (sampling) database for the year.
- 3. Yearly standard provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. See Data Definitions item 8.
- State hourly minimum wage for 40 hours, as defined by state law lowest of all state defined minimums. See Data Definitions item 8.
- Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation (1996) recommendation, 1995-22.
- Representative Claimants chosen to display the range of benefits and duration does not include Dependents, see Data Definitions item 11.

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State Benefit Payment Amoun	ts	
Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
\$75	\$112	
\$431	\$646	
\$11,206	\$16,796	
15	15	
26	26	
	<u>Without Dependents</u> \$75 \$431 \$11,206 15	\$75 \$112 \$431 \$646 \$11,206 \$16,796 15 15

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$351

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Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240 State Minimum Weekly Wage⁴ \$440

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$736

7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

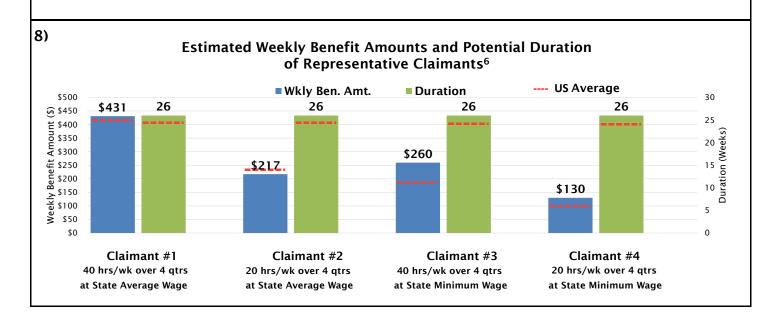
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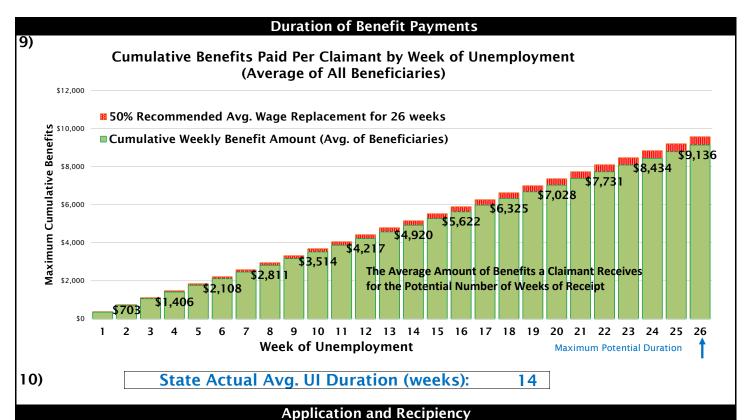
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State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

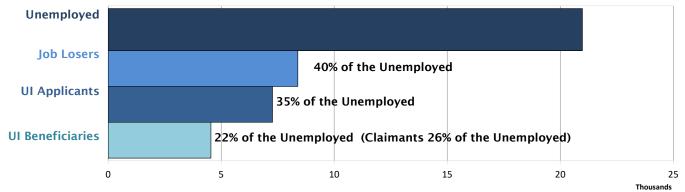
67%

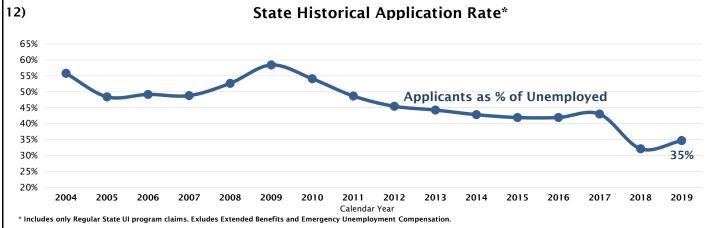
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 52%











- 1. Dependents benefits represent the maximum amount a claimant may receive under the most number of dependents allowed.
- 2. Average Weekly Benefit and Replacement Rate as measured from the state's Benefit Accuracy Measures (sampling) database for the year.
- 3. Yearly standard provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 4. State hourly minimum wage for 40 hours, as defined by state law lowest of all state defined minimums. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 5. Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation (1996) recommendation, 1995-22.
- 6. Representative Claimants chosen to display the range of benefits and duration does not include Dependents, see Data Definitions item 11.

# Michigan 2019

S	State Benefit Payment Amount	:S	
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$147	\$177	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$362	\$362	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$7,240	\$7,240	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	14	14	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	20	20	

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$328

Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240 State Minimum Weekly Wage⁴ \$378

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$859

# 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

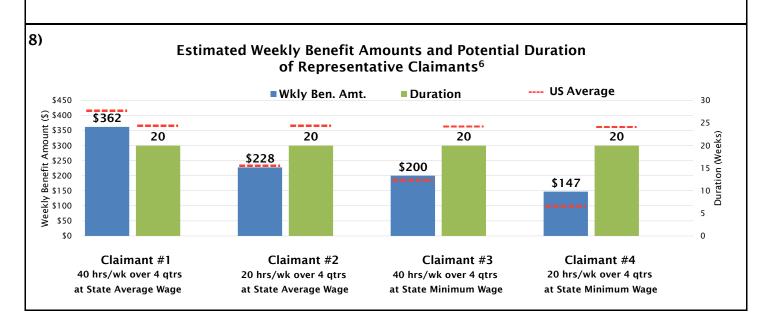
State Maximum Weekly Benefit as
% of State's Avg Weekly Wage:

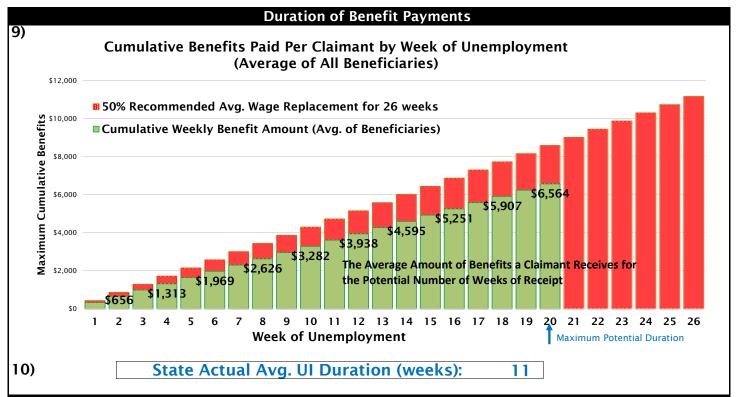
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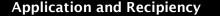
Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>:

50%

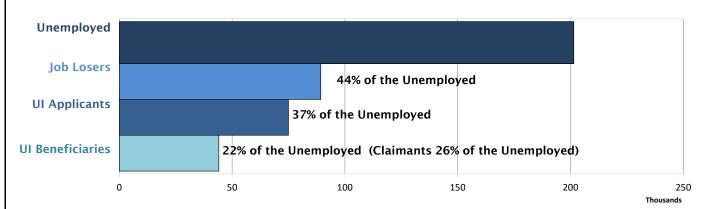
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 45%

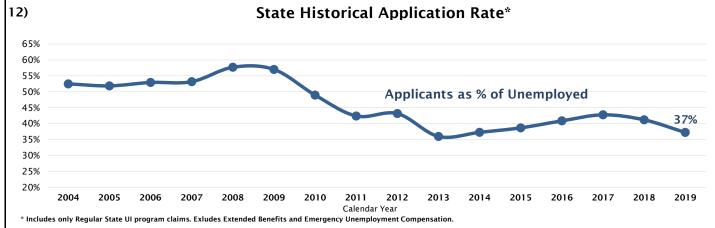






# 11) Application and Receipt of UI Benefits as a Proportion of the Unemployed





- 1. Dependents benefits represent the maximum amount a claimant may receive under the most number of dependents allowed.
- 2. Average Weekly Benefit and Replacement Rate as measured from the state's Benefit Accuracy Measures (sampling) database for the year.
- 3. Yearly standard provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 4. State hourly minimum wage for 40 hours, as defined by state law lowest of all state defined minimums. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 5. Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation (1996) recommendation, 1995-22.
- 6. Representative Claimants chosen to display the range of benefits and duration does not include Dependents, see Data Definitions item 11.

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9	State Benefit Payment Amoun	ts	
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$28	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$462	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$12,012	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	11	11	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$468

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Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240 State Minimum Weekly Wage⁴ \$394

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$1,005

7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

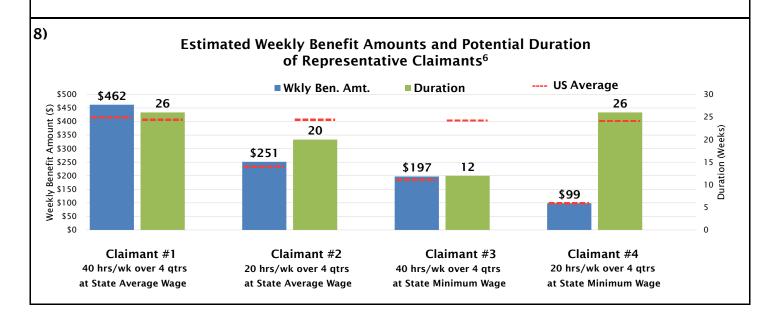
State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

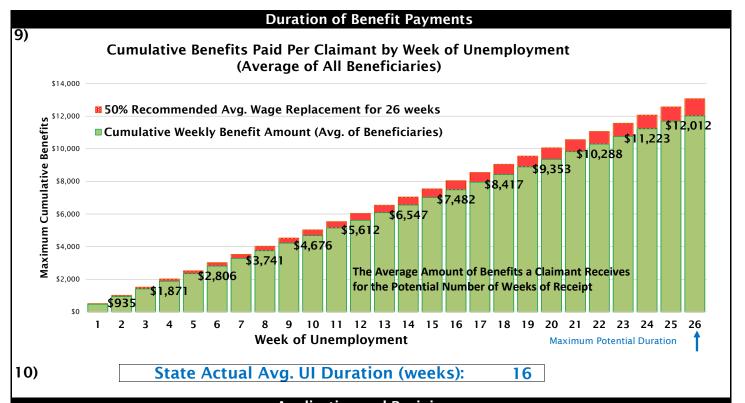
67%

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

67%

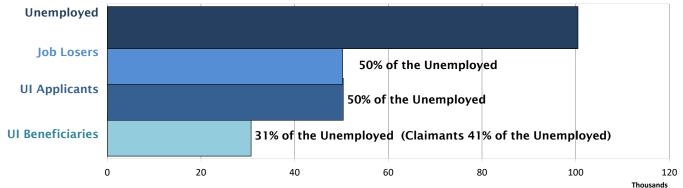
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 50%



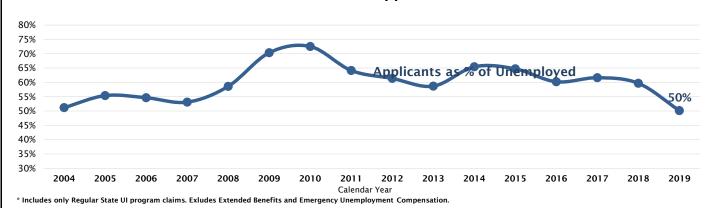












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- 1. Dependents benefits represent the maximum amount a claimant may receive under the most number of dependents allowed.
- 2. Average Weekly Benefit and Replacement Rate as measured from the state's Benefit Accuracy Measures (sampling) database for the year.
- 3. Yearly standard provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 4. State hourly minimum wage for 40 hours, as defined by state law lowest of all state defined minimums. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 5. Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation (1996) recommendation, 1995-22.
- 6. Representative Claimants chosen to display the range of benefits and duration does not include Dependents, see Data Definitions item 11.

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State Benefit Payment Amounts			
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$35	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$320	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$6,400	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	8	8	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	20	20	

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$269

Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240 State Minimum Weekly Wage⁴ \$344

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$765

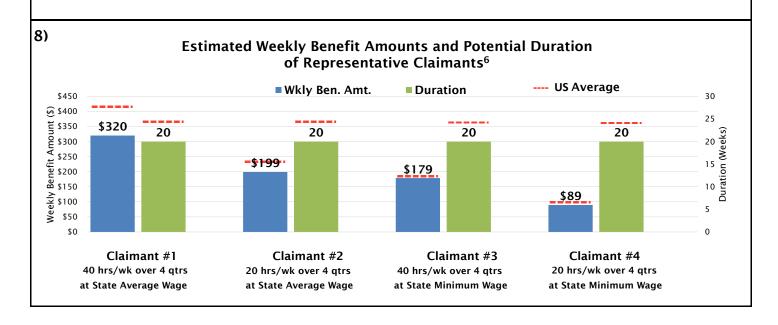
7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

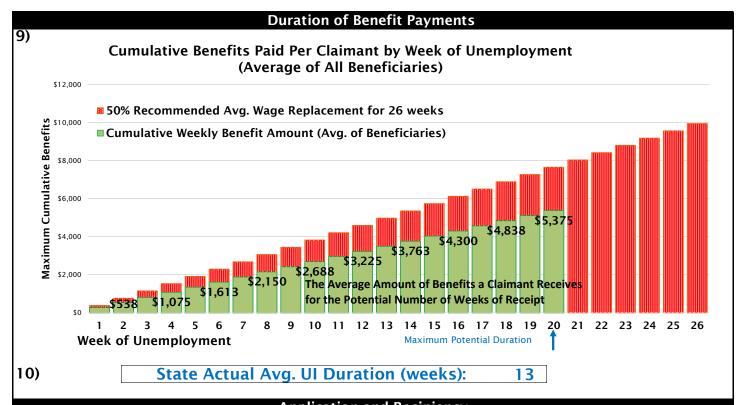
State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

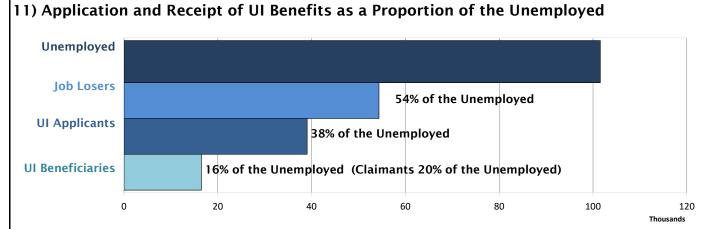
State Maximum Weekly Benefit as 67%State Maximum Weekly Benefit as 67%

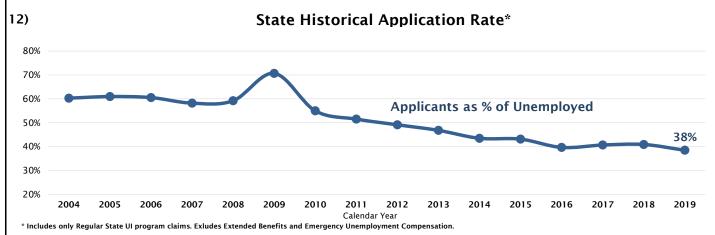
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 41%











- 1. Dependents benefits represent the maximum amount a claimant may receive under the most number of dependents allowed.
- 2. Average Weekly Benefit and Replacement Rate as measured from the state's Benefit Accuracy Measures (sampling) database for the year.
- 3. Yearly standard provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 4. State hourly minimum wage for 40 hours, as defined by state law lowest of all state defined minimums. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 5. Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation (1996) recommendation, 1995-22.
- 6. Representative Claimants chosen to display the range of benefits and duration does not include Dependents, see Data Definitions item 11.

# Mississippi 2019

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	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$30	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$235	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$6,110	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	13	13	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$213

State
Federal Weekly Minimum
Poverty Level Weekly Wage4
\$240 \$290

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$682

7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

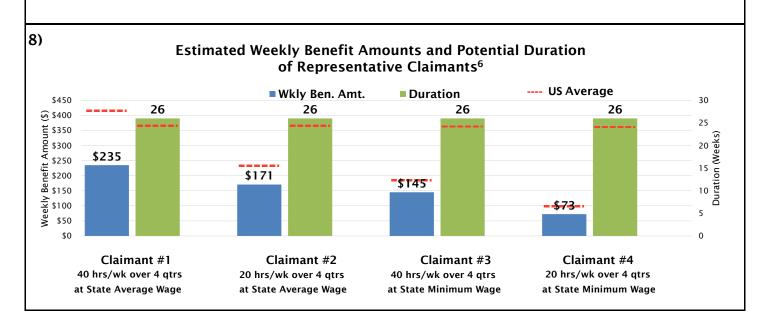
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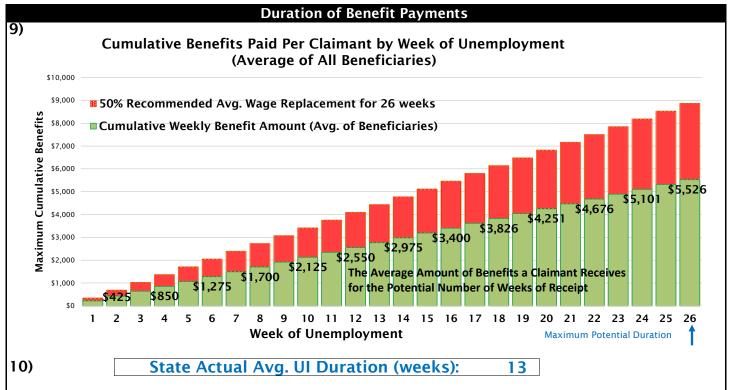
34%

Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>:

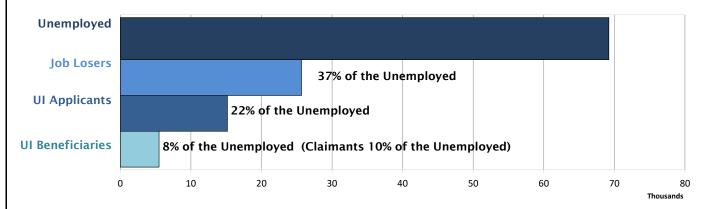
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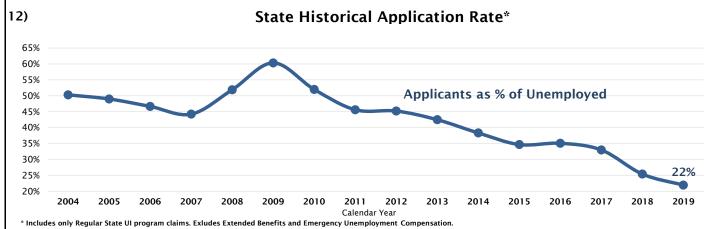
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 39%











- 1. Dependents benefits represent the maximum amount a claimant may receive under the most number of dependents allowed.
- 2. Average Weekly Benefit and Replacement Rate as measured from the state's Benefit Accuracy Measures (sampling) database for the year.
- 3. Yearly standard provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 4. State hourly minimum wage for 40 hours, as defined by state law lowest of all state defined minimums. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 5. Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation (1996) recommendation, 1995-22.
- 6. Representative Claimants chosen to display the range of benefits and duration does not include Dependents, see Data Definitions item 11.

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State Benefit Payment Amounts	
Without Dependents	With Dependents
\$150	N/Δ

2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$527	N/A
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$14,756	N/A
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	8	8

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$380

Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240

1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:

5) Maximum Duration (weeks):

State Minimum Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup> \$340

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$821

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# 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

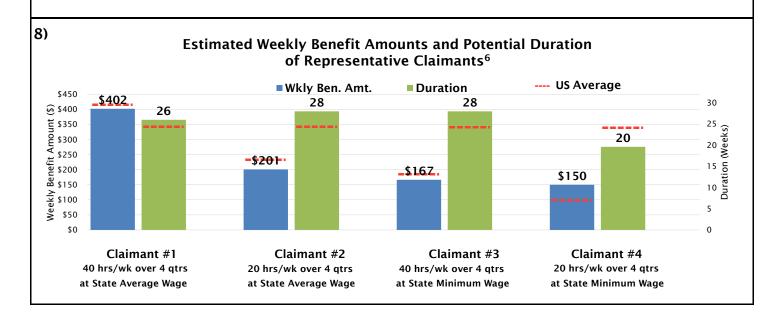
49%

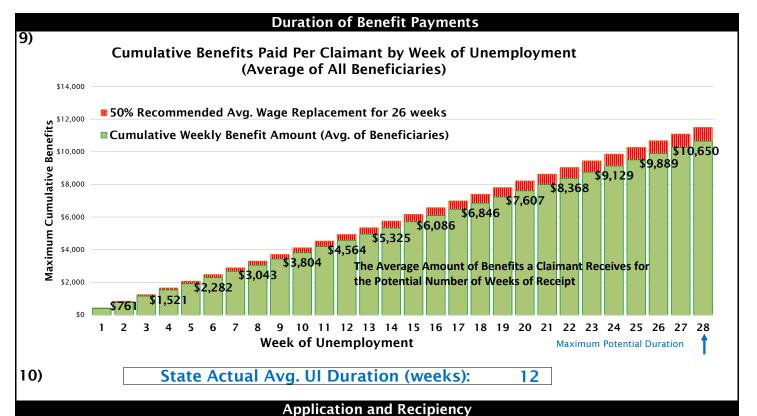
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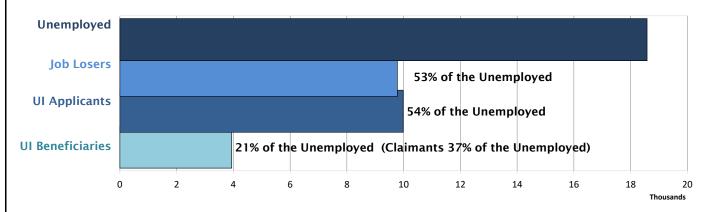
Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>: 50% 67%

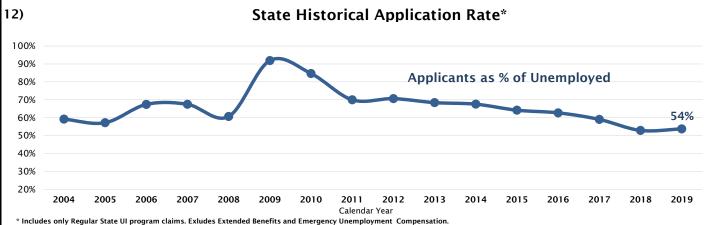
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 49%





# 11) Application and Receipt of UI Benefits as a Proportion of the Unemployed





- 1. Dependents benefits represent the maximum amount a claimant may receive under the most number of dependents allowed.
- la. To qualify for 28 weeks, individual's ratio of total base-period wages to HQ wages must be at least 3.5.
- 2. Average Weekly Benefit and Replacement Rate as measured from the state's Benefit Accuracy Measures (sampling) database for the year.
- 3. Yearly standard provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 4. State hourly minimum wage for 40 hours, as defined by state law lowest of all state defined minimums. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 5. Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation (1996) recommendation, 1995-22.

# North Carolina 2019

## **State Benefit Payment Amounts**

	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$43	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$595	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$7,000	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	12	12	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	12	12	

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

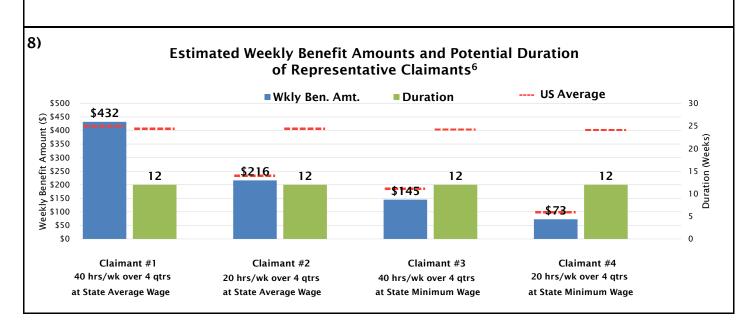
State Average Weekly Benefit \$276

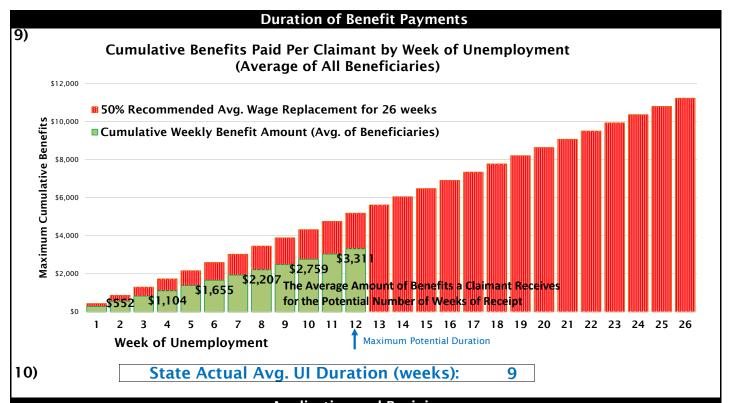
Federal Weekly Minimum
Poverty Level Weekly Wage
\$240 \$290

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$864

## 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

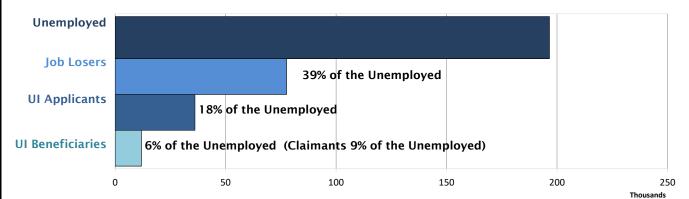
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 38%

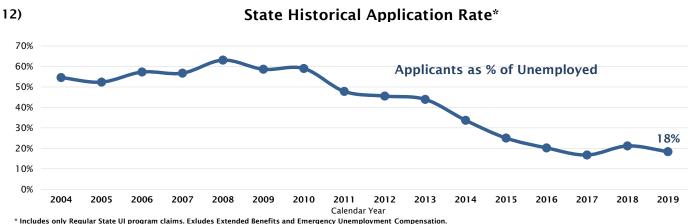












- Dependents benefits represent the maximum amount a claimant may receive under the most number of dependents allowed.
- 2. Average Weekly Benefit and Replacement Rate as measured from the state's Benefit Accuracy Measures (sampling) database for the year.
- 3. Yearly standard provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 4. State hourly minimum wage for 40 hours, as defined by state law lowest of all state defined minimums. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 5. Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation (1996) recommendation, 1995-22.
- Representative Claimants chosen to display the range of benefits and duration does not include Dependents, see Data Definitions item 11

# North Dakota 2019

State Benefit Pa	syment Amounts
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	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$43	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$595	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$15,470	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	12	12	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$465

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Federal Weekly State Poverty Level³ Minimum \$240 Weekly Wage⁴ \$290 Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$971

## 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

61%

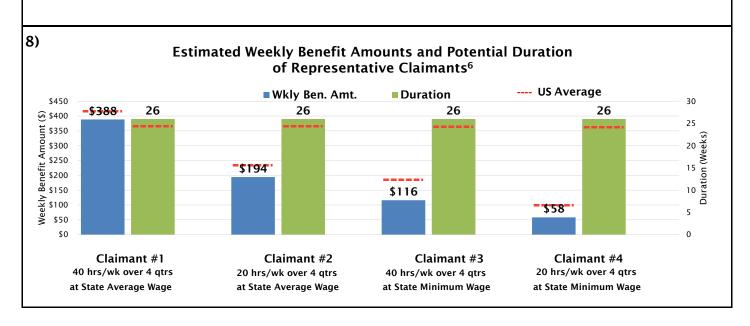
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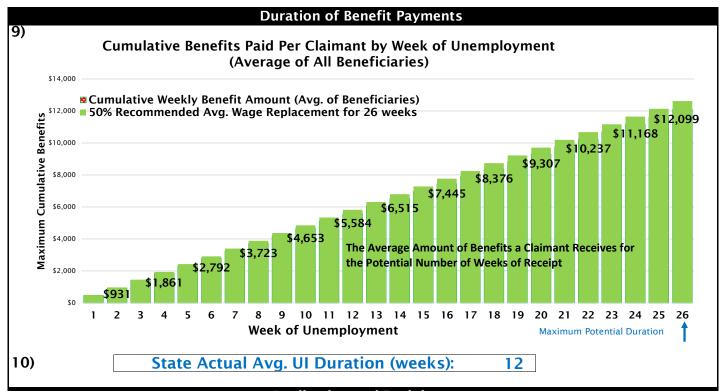
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State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

61%

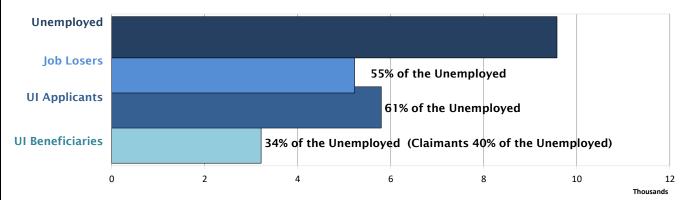
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 50%



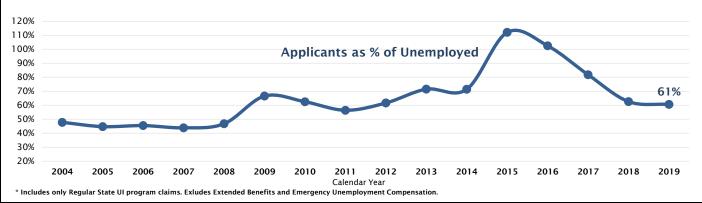








## State Historical Application Rate\*



## Footnote:

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- 1. Dependents benefits represent the maximum amount a claimant may receive under the most number of dependents allowed.
- 2. Average Weekly Benefit and Replacement Rate as measured from the state's Benefit Accuracy Measures (sampling) database for the year.
- 3. Yearly standard provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 4. State hourly minimum wage for 40 hours, as defined by state law lowest of all state defined minimums. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 5. Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation (1996) recommendation, 1995-22.
- Representative Claimants chosen to display the range of benefits and duration does not include Dependents, see Data Definitions item 11.

# Nebraska 2019

State Benefit Payment Amounts			
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$70	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$426	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$11,076	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	10	10	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>



Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240 State Minimum Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup> \$360

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$812

7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

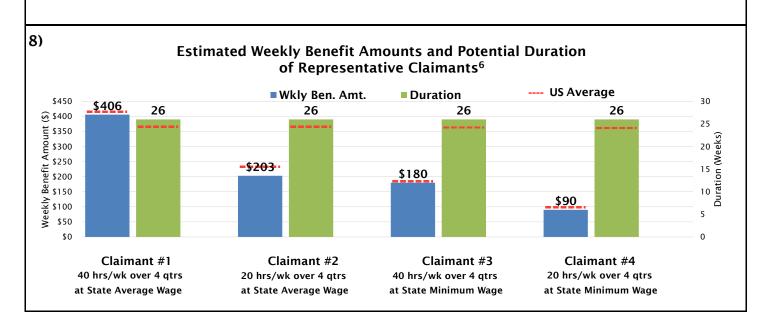
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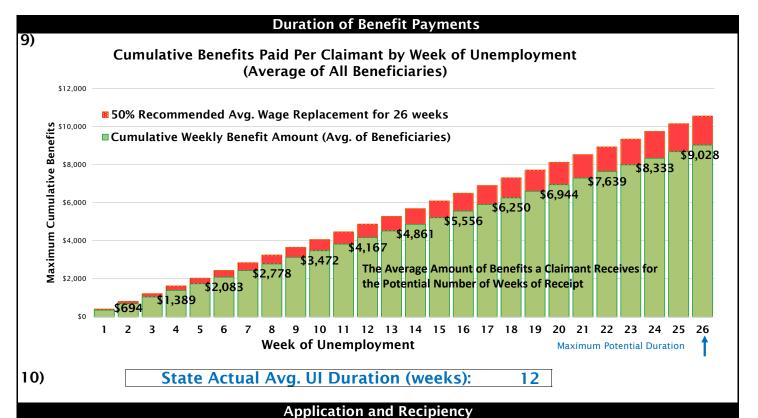
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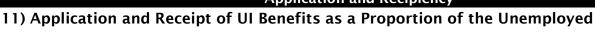
Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>:

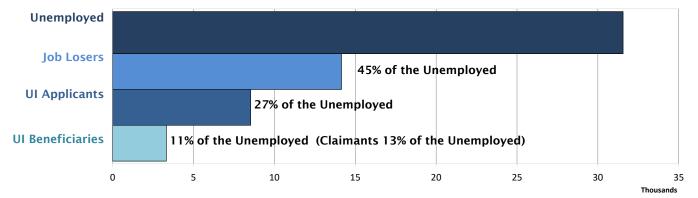
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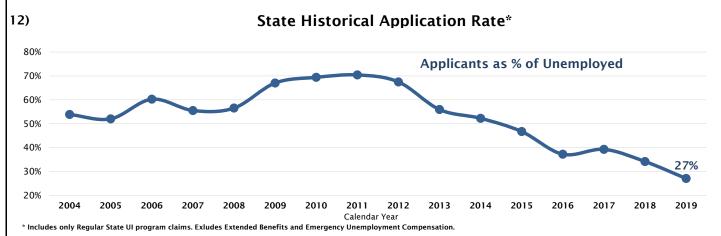
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 46%











- 1. Dependents benefits represent the maximum amount a claimant may receive under the most number of dependents allowed.
- 2. Average Weekly Benefit and Replacement Rate as measured from the state's Benefit Accuracy Measures (sampling) database for the year.
- 3. Yearly standard provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 4. State hourly minimum wage for 40 hours, as defined by state law lowest of all state defined minimums. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 5. Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation (1996) recommendation, 1995-22.
- 6. Representative Claimants chosen to display the range of benefits and duration does not include Dependents, see Data Definitions item 11.

# New Hampshire 2019

State Benefit Pay	ment Amounts
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1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount: \$32 N/A 2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount: \$427 N/A 3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount: \$11,102 N/A	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	<b>Without Dependents</b>	
	N/A	\$32	1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount: \$11,102 N/A	N/A	\$427	2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:
	N/A	\$11,102	3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:
4) Minimum Duration (weeks): 26 26	26	26	4) Minimum Duration (weeks):
5) Maximum Duration (weeks): 26 26	26	26	5) Maximum Duration (weeks):

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$339

Federal Weekly State Poverty Level³ Minimum \$240 Weekly Wage⁴ \$290

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$1,093

# 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

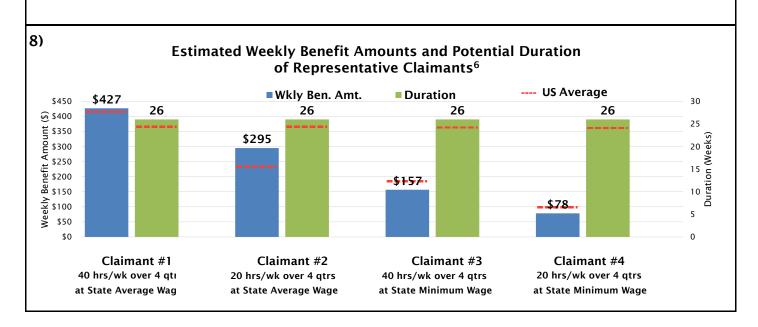
State Maximum Weekly Benefit as
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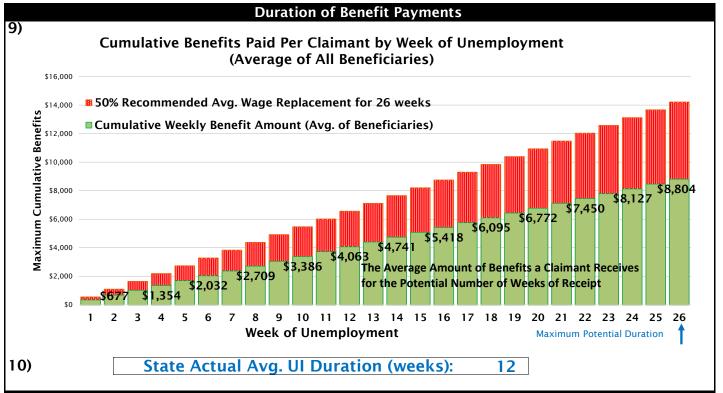
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Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>:

50%

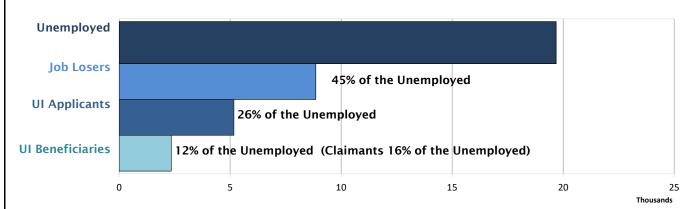
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 38%

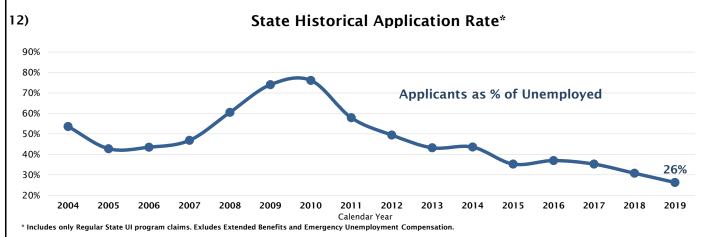




## **Application and Recipiency**

## 11) Application and Receipt of UI Benefits as a Proportion of the Unemployed





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State Benefit Payment Amounts			
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$103	\$118	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$696	\$696	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$18,096	\$18,096	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	20	20	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$459

Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240 State Minimum Weekly Wage⁴ \$400

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$1,070

# 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

60%

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

60%

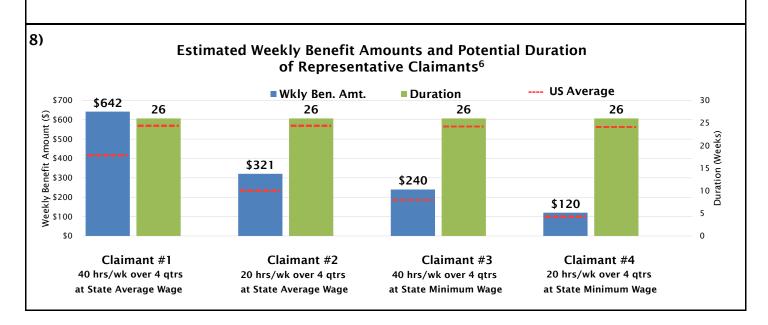
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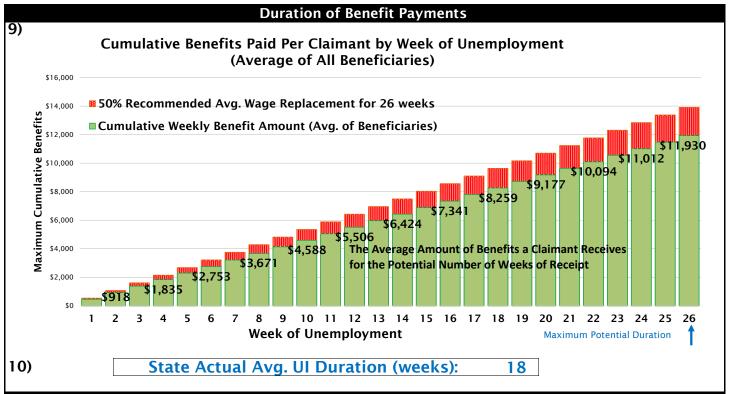
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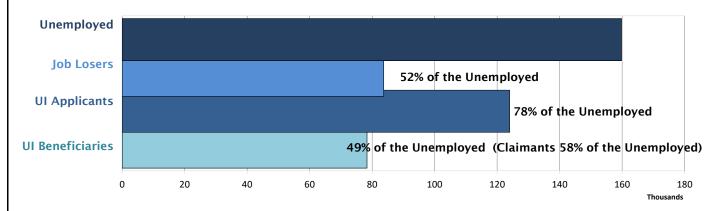
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 51%

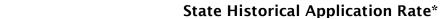


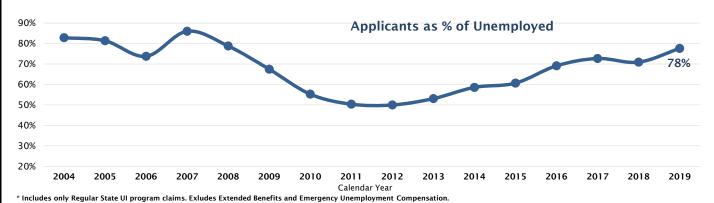


## **Application and Recipiency**

## 11) Application and Receipt of UI Benefits as a Proportion of the Unemployed







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# New Mexico 2019

State Benefit Payment Amounts			
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$82	\$123	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$442	\$492	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$11,492	\$12,792	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	14	14	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>



Federal Weekly Minimum
Poverty Level<sup>3</sup>Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup>
\$240 \$300

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$730

# 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

61%

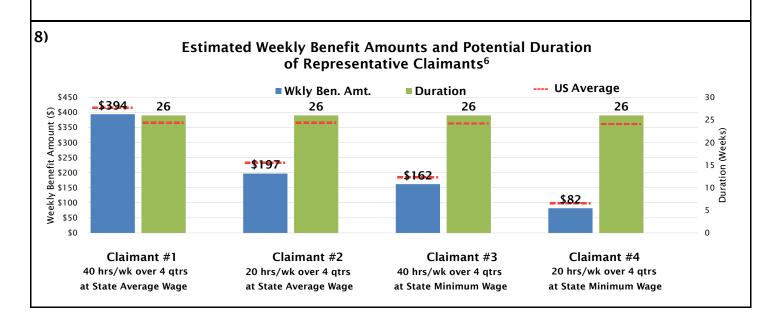
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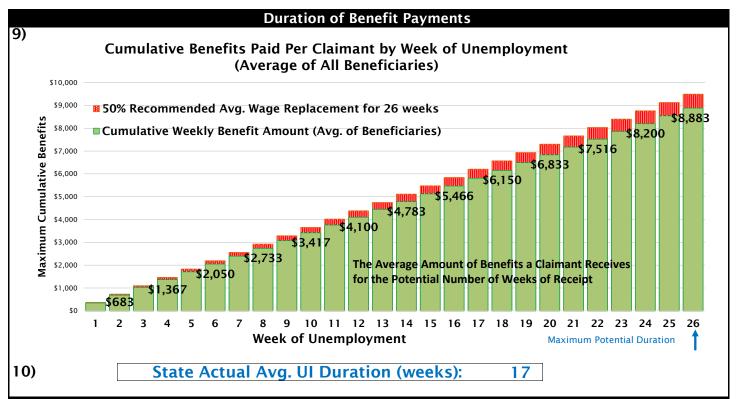
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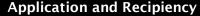
State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

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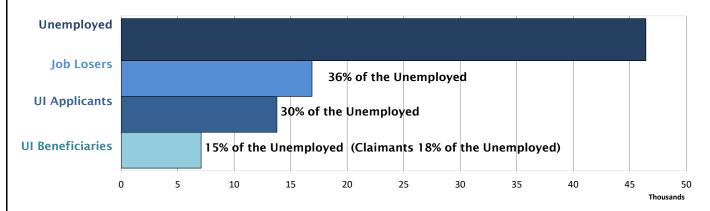
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 53%

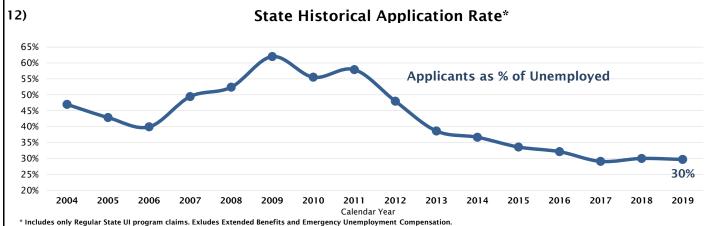






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	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$32	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$427	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$11,700	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	8	8	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$374

State
Federal Weekly Minimum
Poverty Level Weekly Wage4
\$240 \$290

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$882

# 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

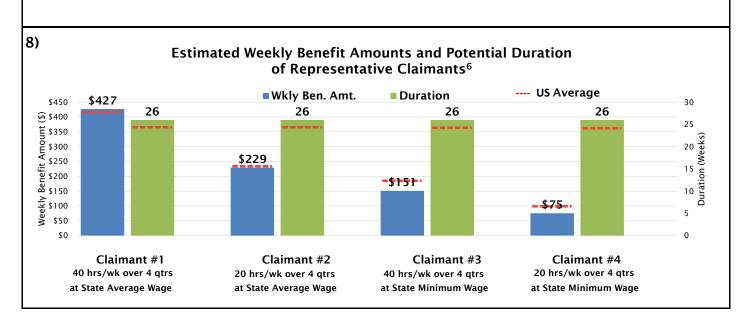
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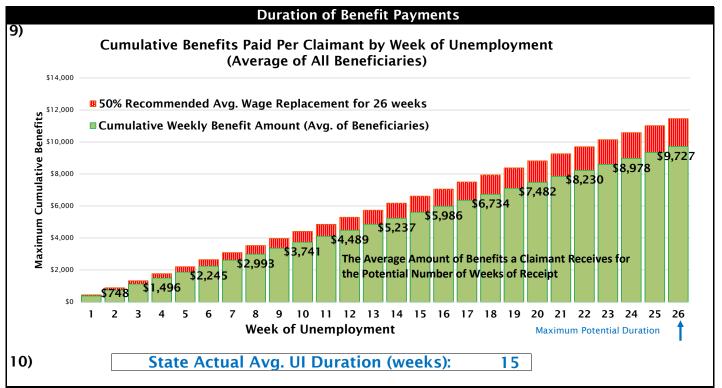
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State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

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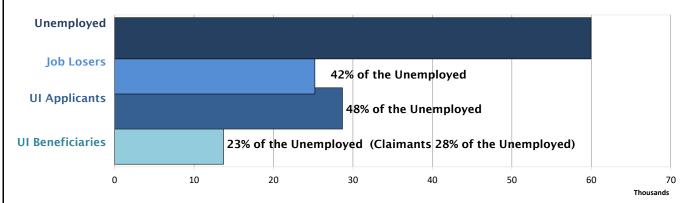
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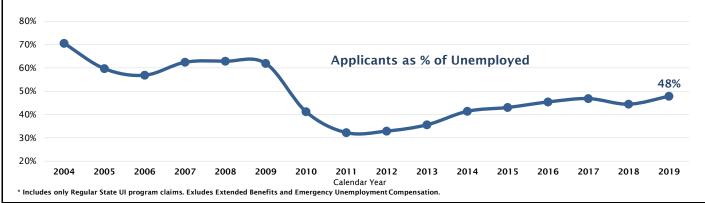


## **Application and Recipiency**





## State Historical Application Rate\*



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State Benefit Payment Amounts			
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$100	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$450	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$11,700	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	26	26	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$359

Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240 State Minimum Weekly Wage⁴ \$444

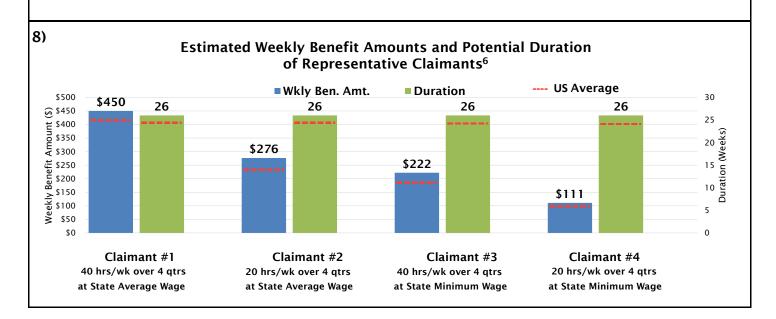
Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$1,105

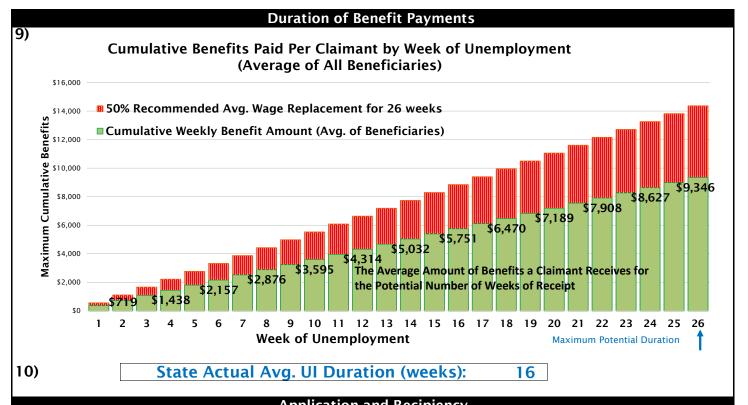
7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

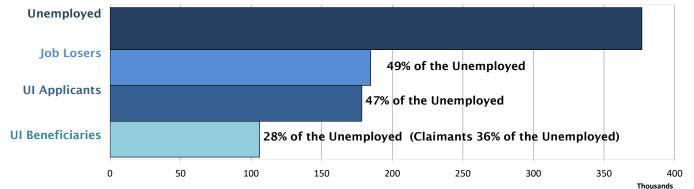
As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages: 50% % of State's Avg Weekly Wage: 41%Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>: 50%

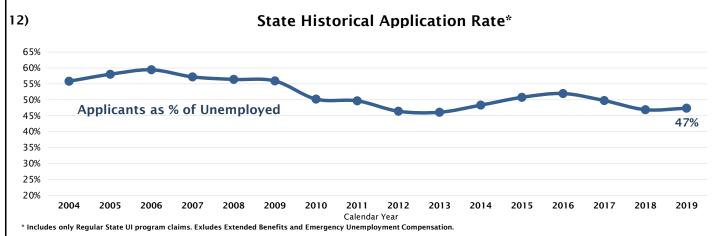
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 40%











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State Benefit Payment Amounts			
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$130	\$130	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$443	\$598	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$11,518	\$15,548	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	20	20	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

State Average Weekly Benefit \$363

Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240 State Minimum Weekly Wage⁴ \$342

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$944

7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

% of State's Avg Weekly Wage:

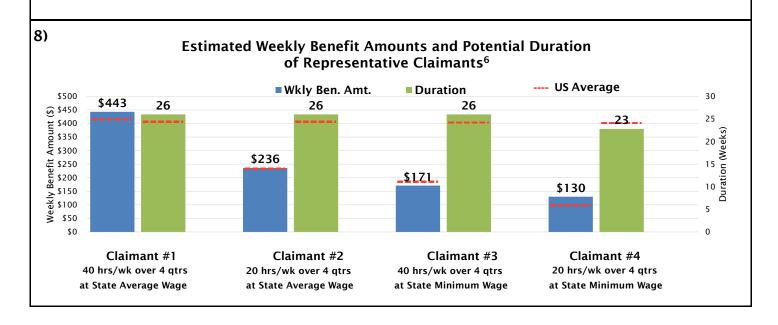
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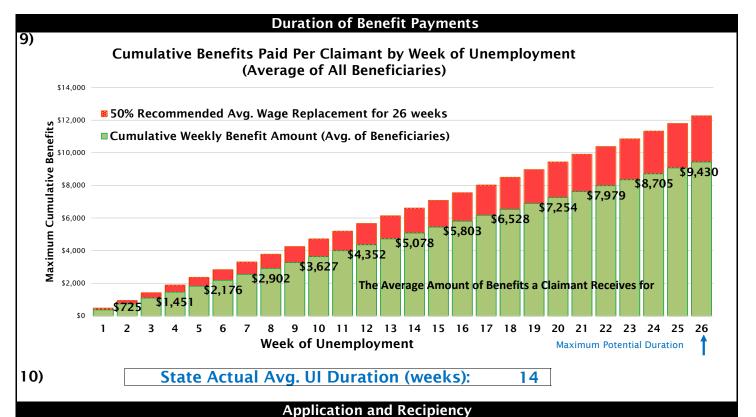
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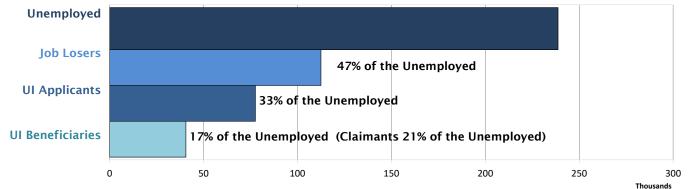
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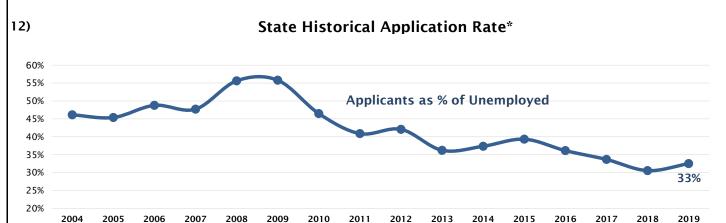
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 42%











Calendar Year

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State Benefit Payment Amounts				
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>		
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$16	N/A		
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$520	N/A		
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$11,300	N/A		
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	16	16		
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26		



Federal Weekly Minimum
Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup>
\$240 \$290

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$855

### 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

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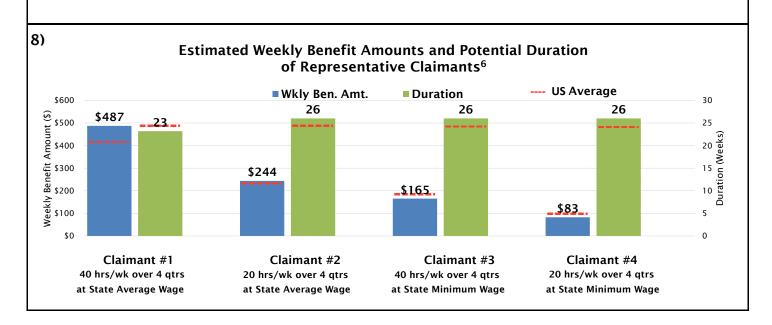
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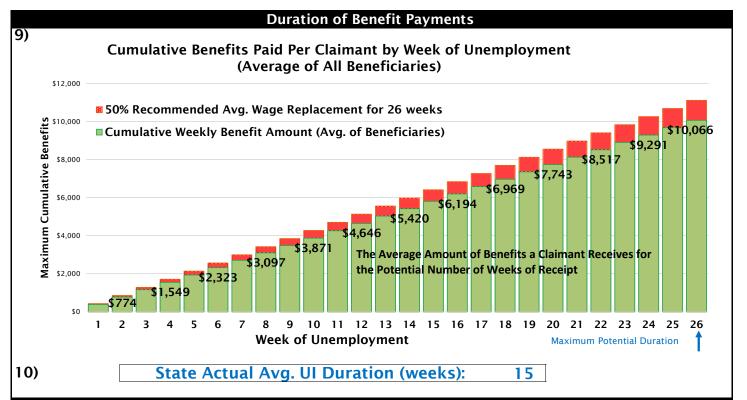
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State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

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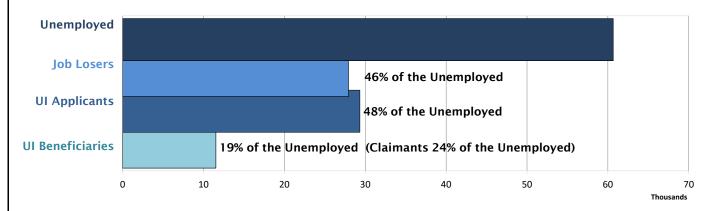
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 52%

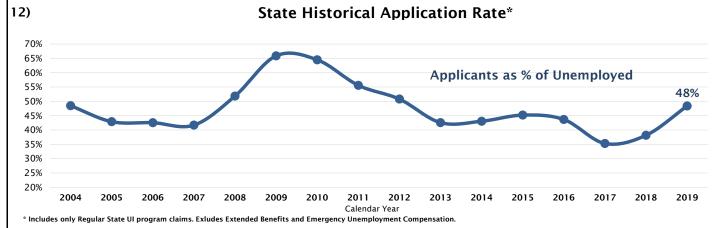






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State Benefit Payment Amounts			
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$146	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$624	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$16,224	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	3	3	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

State Average Weekly Benefit \$423

Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240 State Minimum Weekly Wage⁴ \$450

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$947

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State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

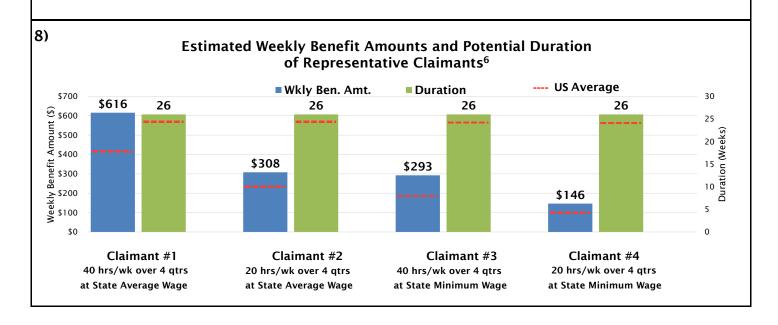
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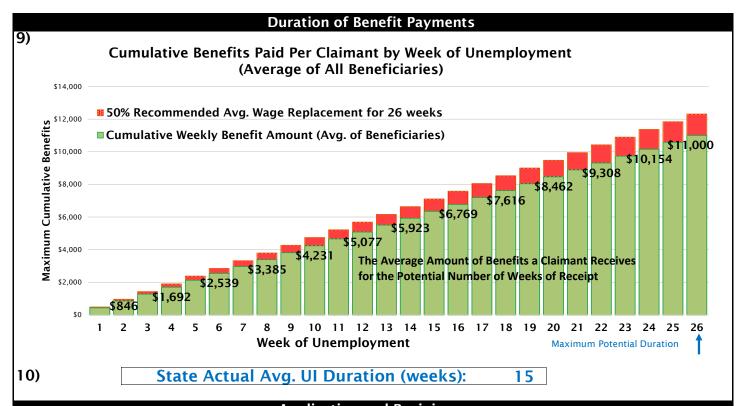
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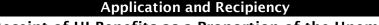
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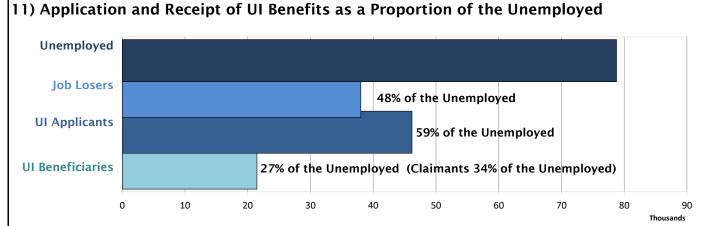
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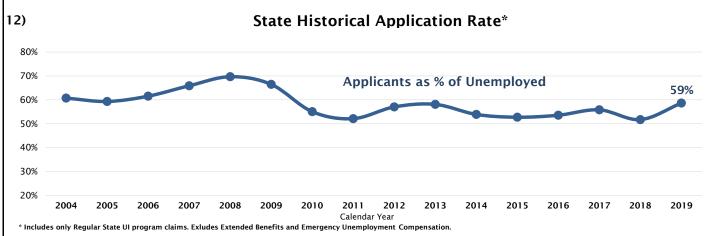
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 49%











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# Pennsylvania 2019

State Benefit Payment Amounts				
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>		
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$68	\$76		
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$561	\$569		
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$14,586	\$14,794		
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	18	18		
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26		

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$408

Federal Weekly State
Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> Minimum
\$240 Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup>
\$290

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$891

### 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

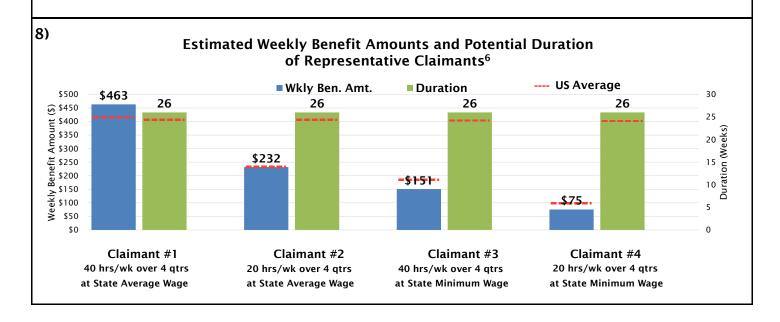
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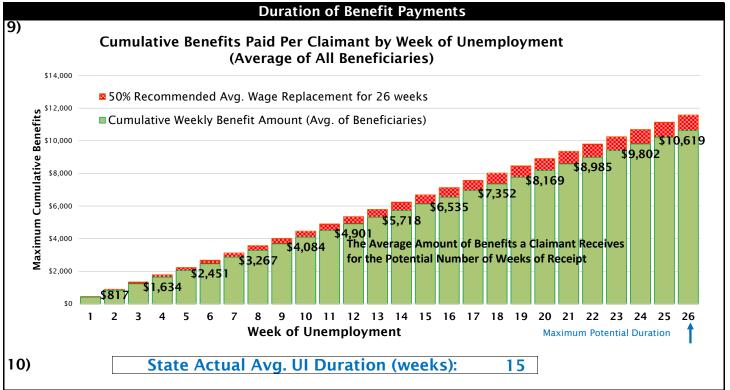
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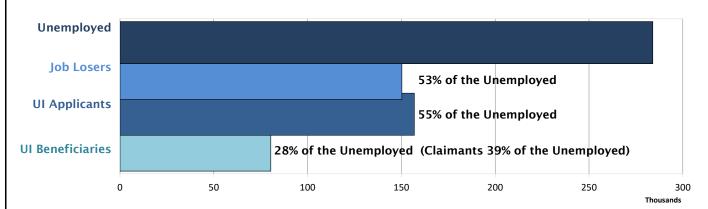
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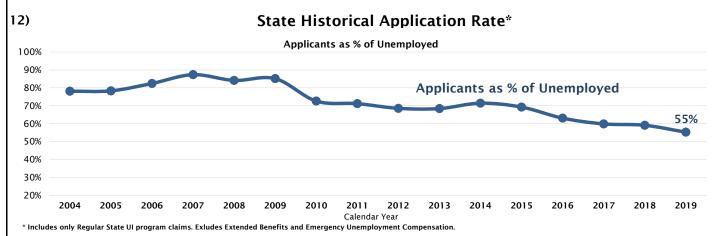




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State Benefit Payment Amounts			
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$7	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$133	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$3,458	N/A	

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4) Minimum Duration (weeks): 26 26
5) Maximum Duration (weeks): 26 26

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$144

Federal Weekly State
Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup>
\$240 \$290

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$422

7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

% of State's Avg Weekly Wage:

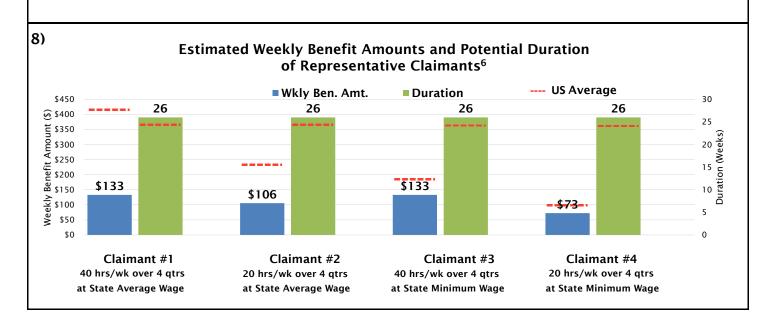
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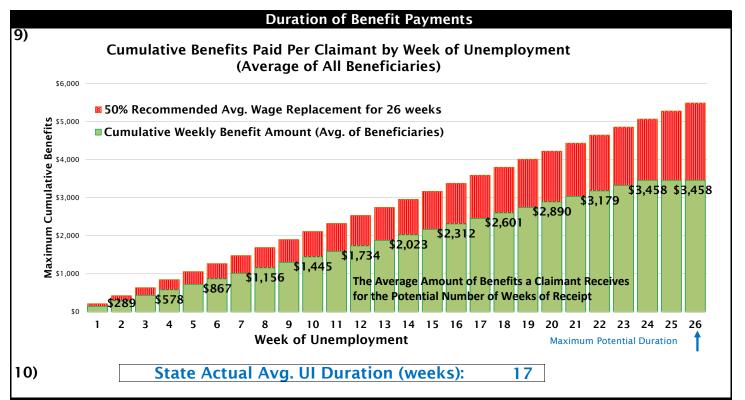
Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>:

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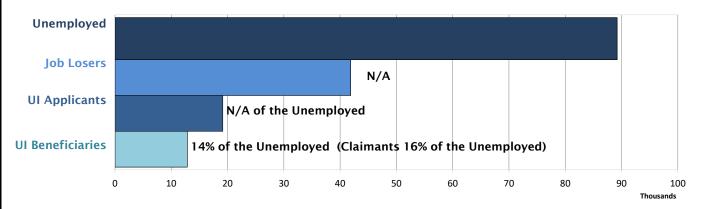
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 39%

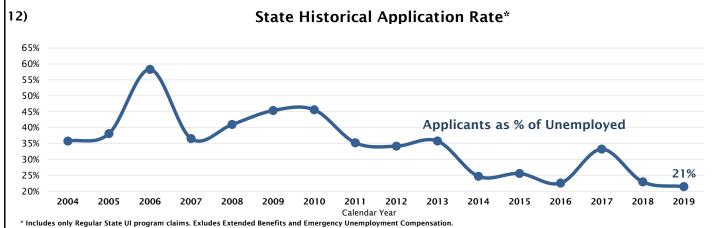












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# Rhode Island 2019

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St	ate Benefit Payment Amoun	ts	
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$53	\$103	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$566	\$707	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$14,716	\$18,382	

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

**State Average Weekly Benefit** \$362

**Federal Weekly** Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240

4) Minimum Duration (weeks):

5) Maximum Duration (weeks):

**State Minimum** Weekly Wage⁴ \$420

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$910

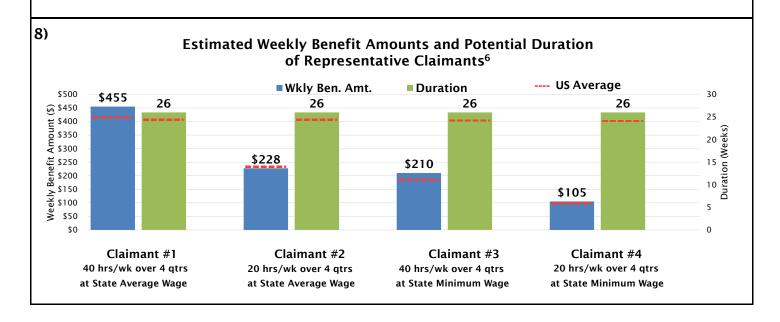
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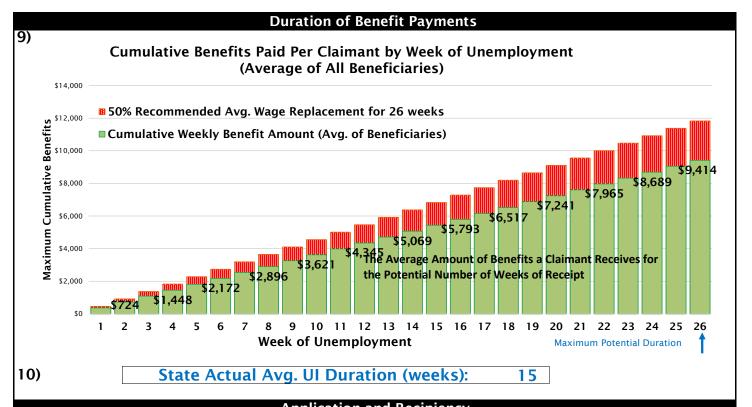
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### 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

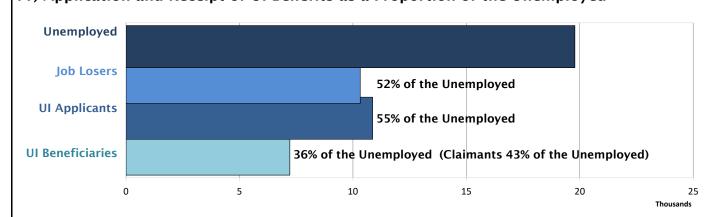
State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount State Maximum Weekly Benefit as As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages: 50% 62% % of State's Avg Weekly Wage: 50% 67% Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>:

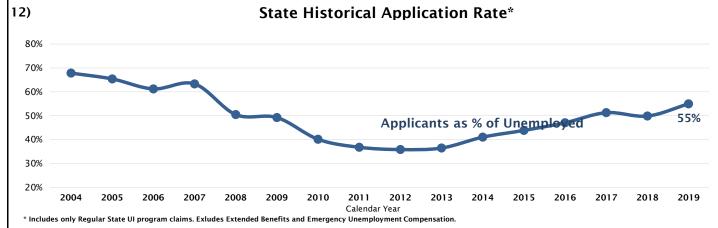
> State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 43%











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# South Carolina 2019

Without Dependents	Wish D
State Benefit Payment Amounts	

Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
\$42	N/A	
\$326	N/A	
\$6,520	N/A	
13	13	
20	20	
	\$42 \$326 \$6,520 13	\$42 N/A \$326 N/A \$6,520 N/A 13 13

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$274

State
Federal Weekly Minimum
Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup>
\$240 \$290

Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>:

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$816

67%

### 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

50%

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

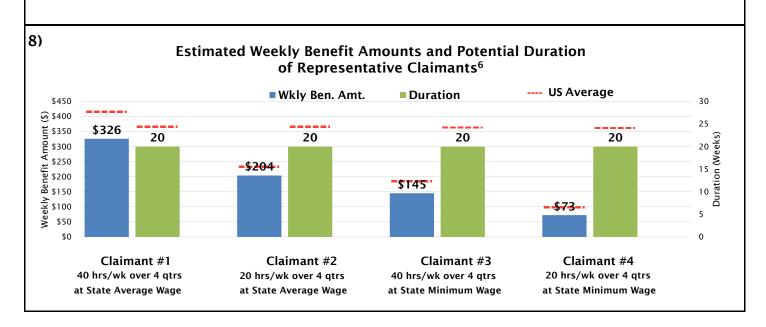
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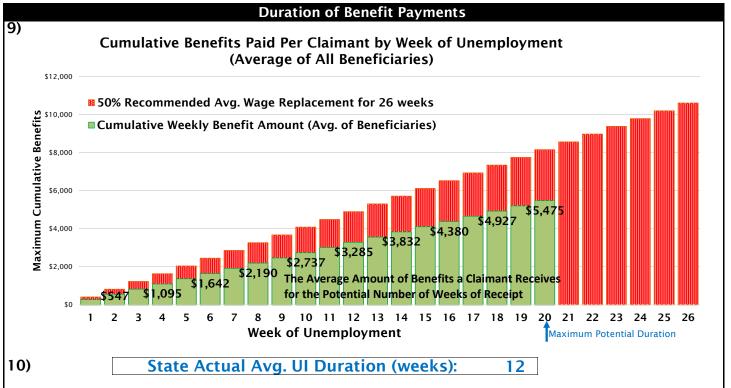
State's Avg Weekly Wage:

40%

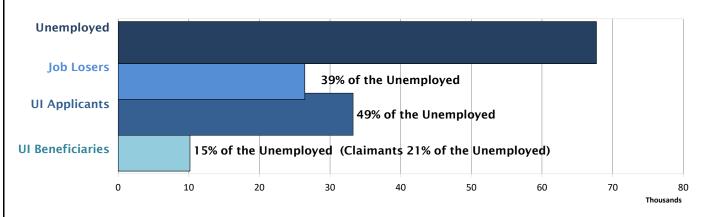
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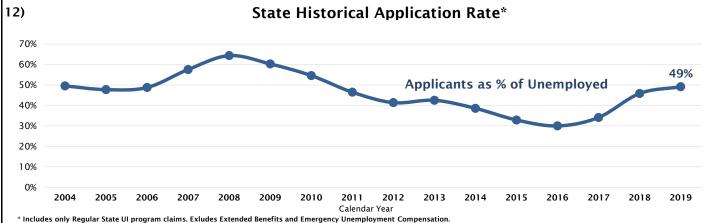
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 41%











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	State Benefit Payment Amount	S	
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$28	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$402	N/A	

3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount: \$10,452 N/A
4) Minimum Duration (weeks): 15 15
5) Maximum Duration (weeks): 26 26

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$353

Federal Weekly
Poverty Level<sup>3</sup>
State Minimum
Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup>

\$240

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$789

7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

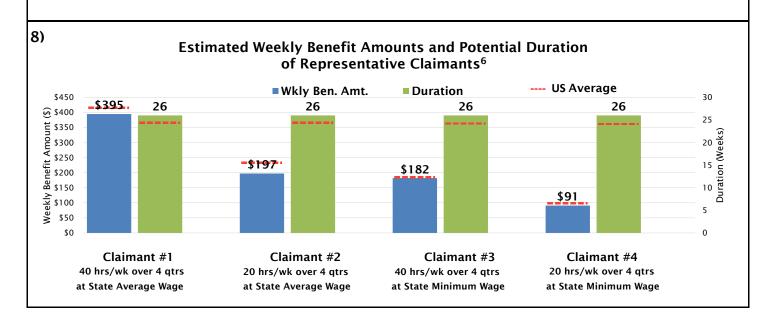
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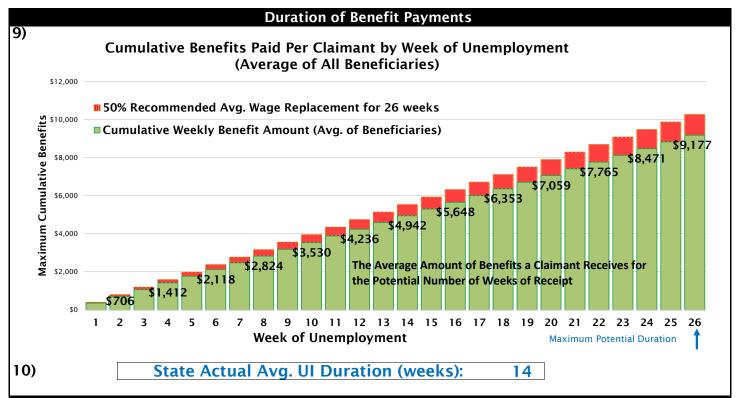
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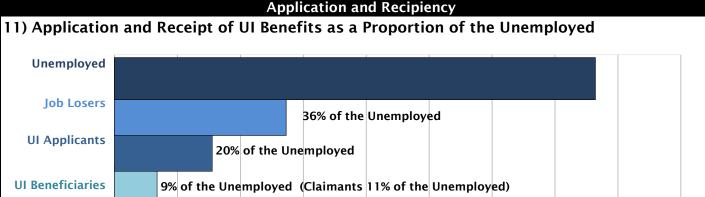
67%

\$364

State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 48%







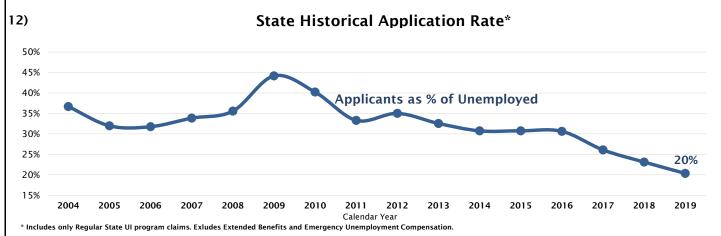
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State Benefit Pa	ayment Amounts
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	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$30	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$275	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$7,150	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	13	13	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

State Average Weekly Benefit \$240

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Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240 State Minimum Weekly Wage⁴ \$290

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$754

### 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

50%

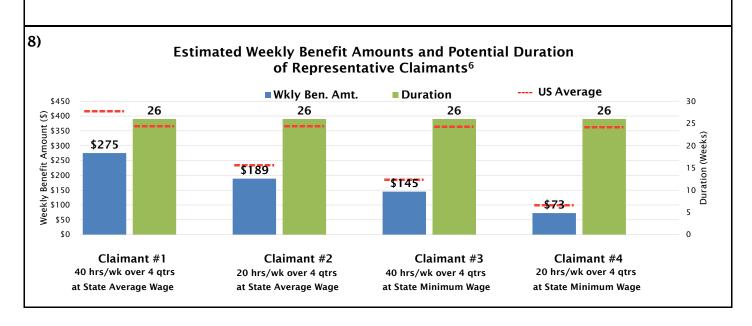
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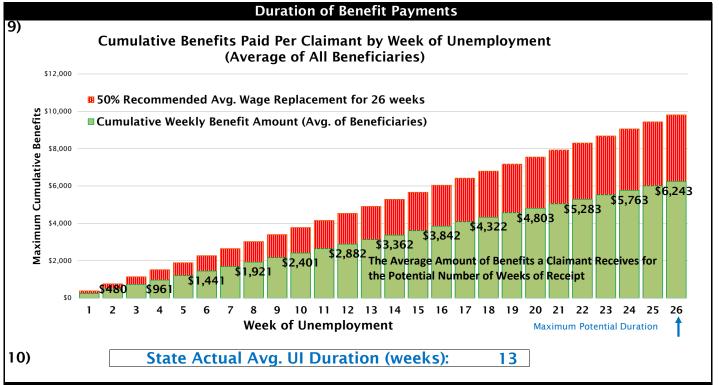
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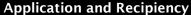
State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

Recommended Standard⁵: 50% 67%

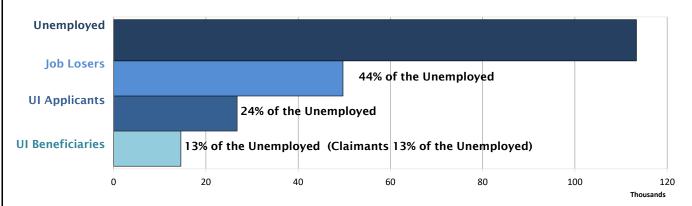
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 37%



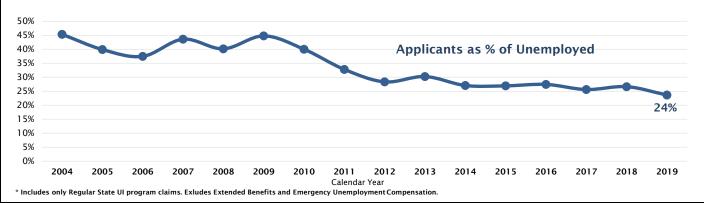












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State Benefit Pay	ment Amounts
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Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
\$68	N/A	
\$507	N/A	
\$13,182	N/A	
10	10	
26	26	
	\$68 \$507 \$13,182 10	\$68 N/A \$507 N/A \$13,182 N/A 10 10

State Average Weekly Benefit \$419

Federal Weekly State
Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> Minimum
\$240 Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup>
\$290

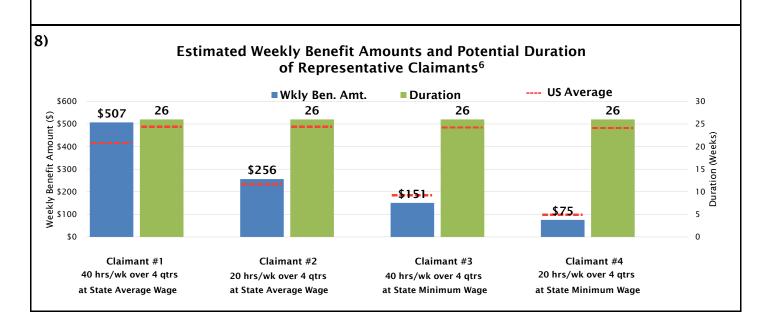
Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$986

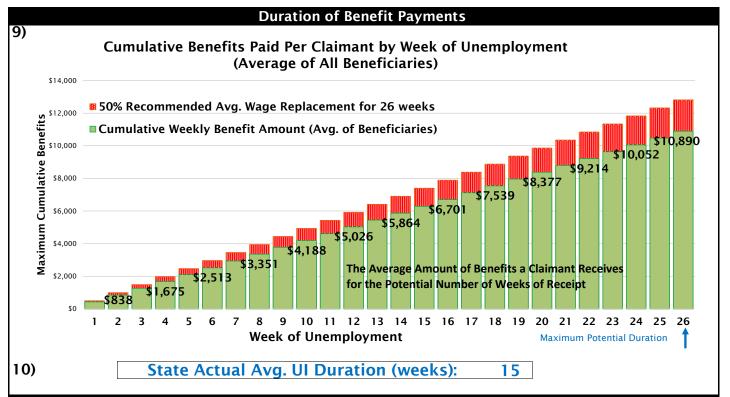
### 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

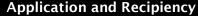
State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages: 52% of State's Avg Weekly Wage: 51%Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>: 50%

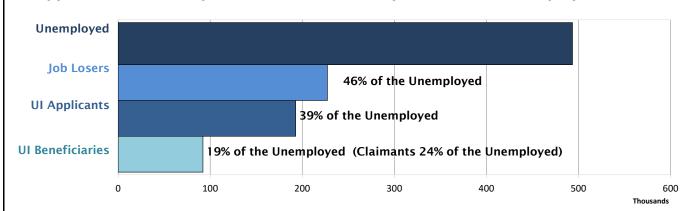
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 50%

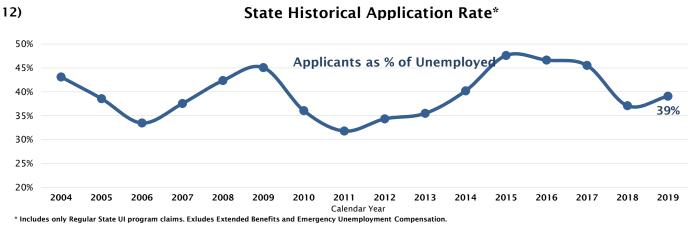






### 11) Application and Receipt of UI Benefits as a Proportion of the Unemployed





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	State Benefit Payment Amount	S	
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$31	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$560	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$14,560	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	10	10	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

State Average Weekly Benefit \$440

Federal Weekly State
Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup>
\$240 \$290

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$965

### 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

50%

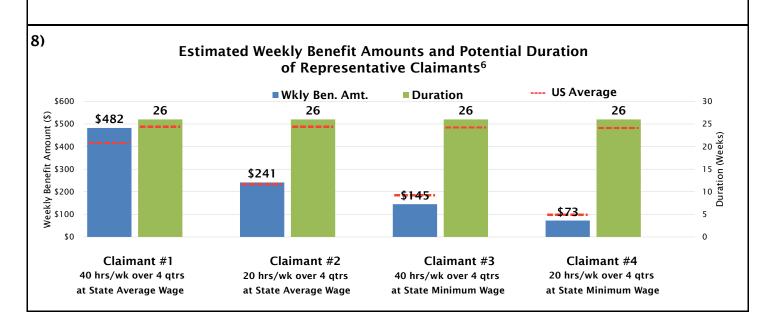
State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

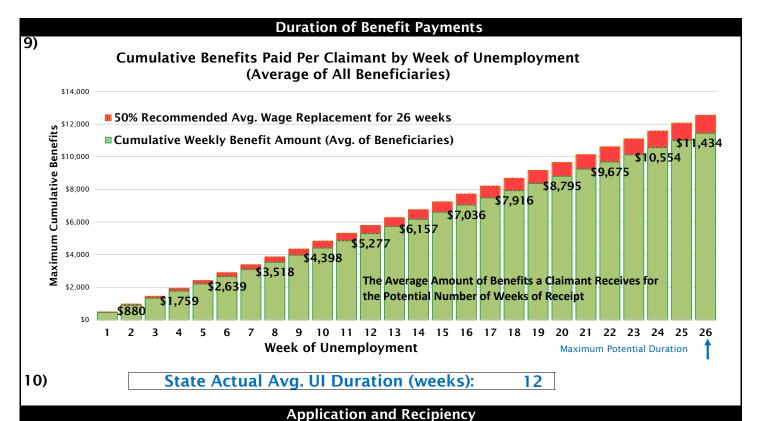
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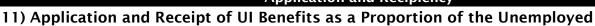
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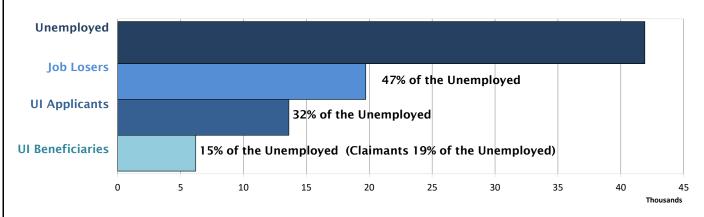
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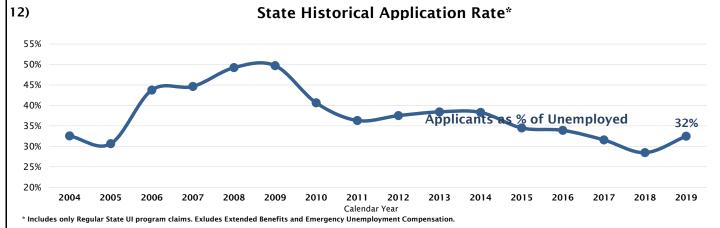
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 50%











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S	tate Benefit Payment Amount	S	
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$60	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$378	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$9,828	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	12	12	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

State Average Weekly Benefit \$320

Federal Weekly State
Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> Minimum
\$240 Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup>
\$290

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$925

### 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

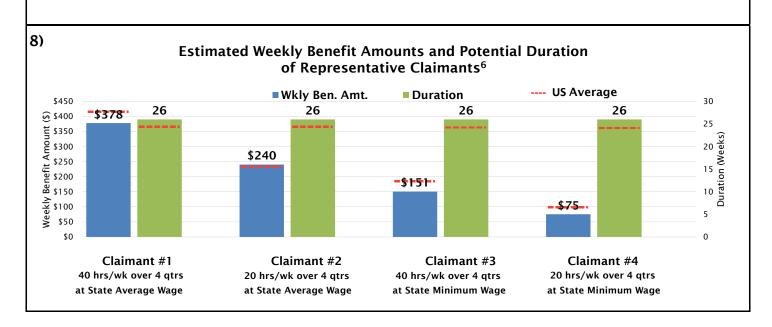
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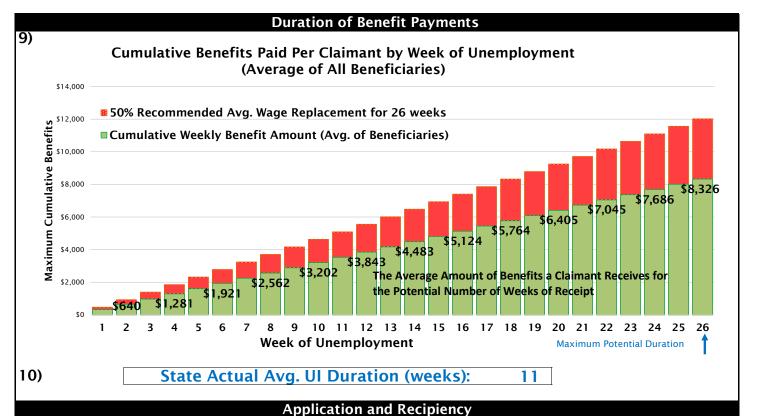
State Maximum Weekly Benefit as
% of State's Avg Weekly Wage:
41%

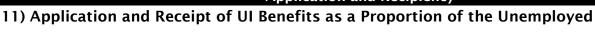
Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>:

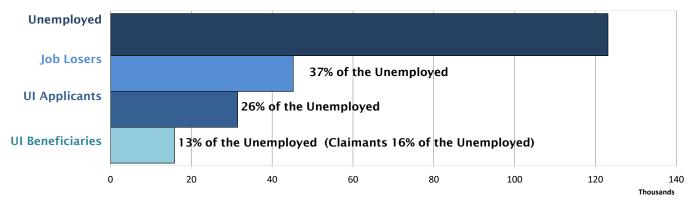
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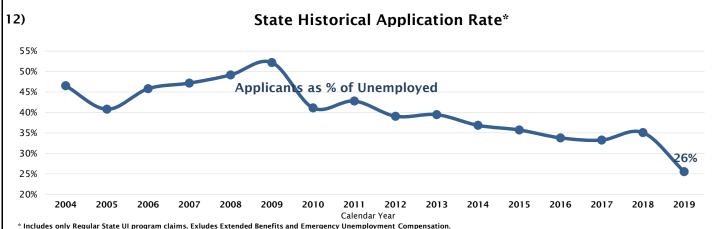
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# Virgin Islands 2019

State Benefit Payment Amounts				
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>		
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$33	N/A		
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$552	N/A		
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$14,352	N/A		
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	13	13		

26

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$387

Federal Weekly State
Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> Minimum
\$240 Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup>
\$290

5) Maximum Duration (weeks):

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$886

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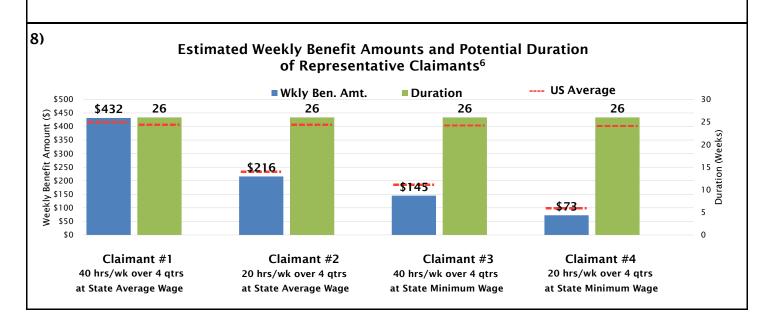
### 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

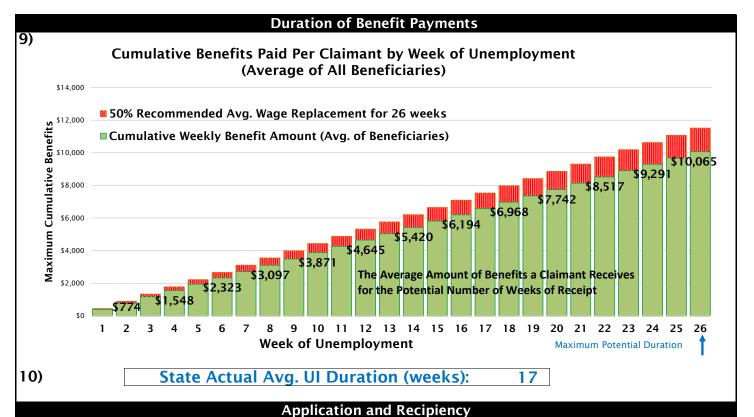
State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as 62%Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>: 50%State Maximum Weekly Benefit as 62%

State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: N/A





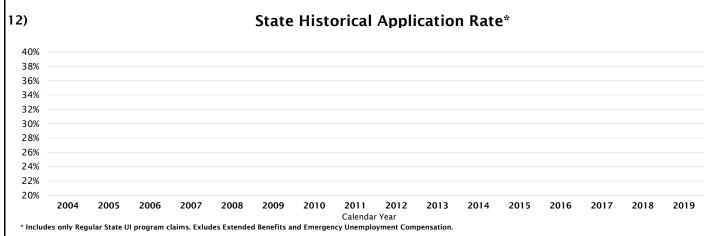


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**UI Beneficiaries** 

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- 6. Representative Claimants chosen to display the range of benefits and duration does not include Dependents, see Data Definitions item 11.

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State Benefit Pa	ayment Amounts
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	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$68	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$498	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$12,948	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	21	21	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

**State Average Weekly Benefit** \$370

**Federal Weekly** Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240

State Minimum Weekly Wage⁴ \$431

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$809

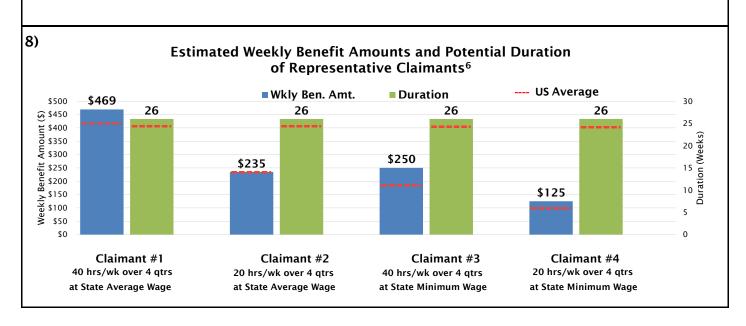
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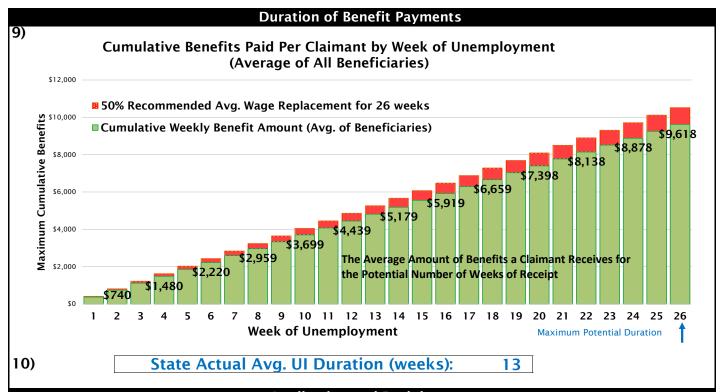
7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount State Maximum Weekly Benefit as As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages: 58% % of State's Avg Weekly Wage:

50% 67% Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>:

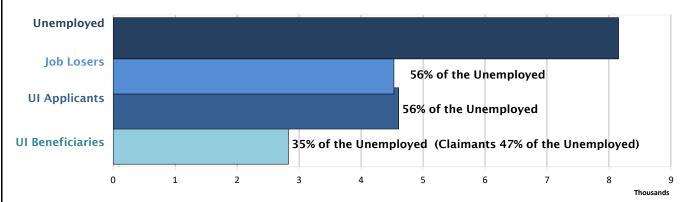
> State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 49%



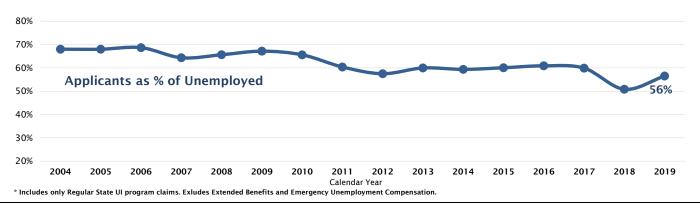








### State Historical Application Rate\*



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State Benefit Pa	syment Amounts
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	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$178	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$749	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$19,474	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	1	1	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

State Average Weekly Benefit \$513

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Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240 State Minimum Weekly Wage⁴ \$480

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$1,142

### 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

66%

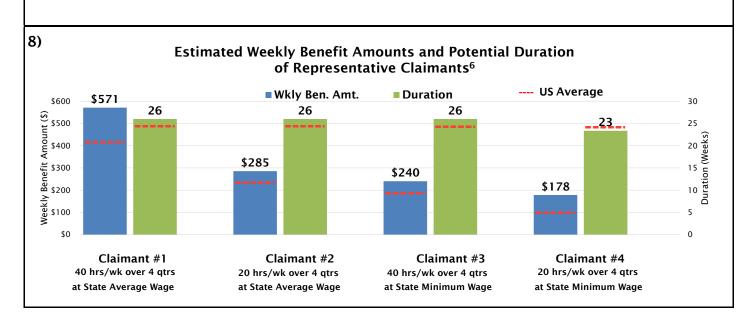
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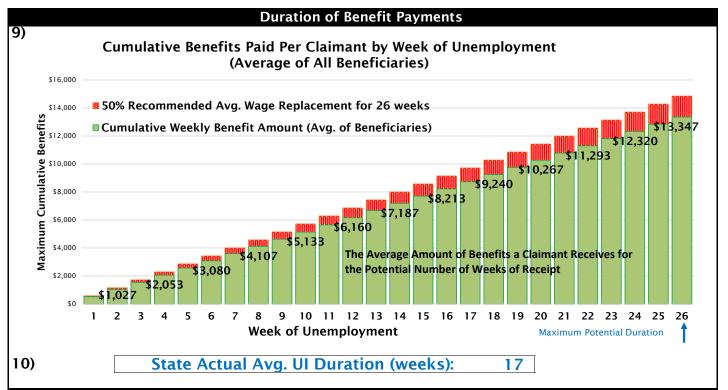
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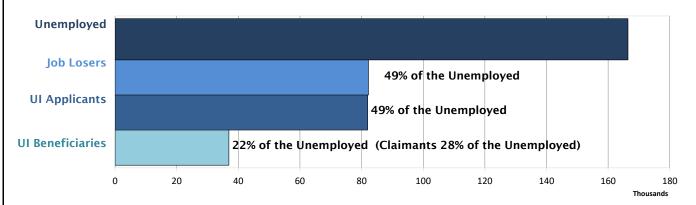
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 50%



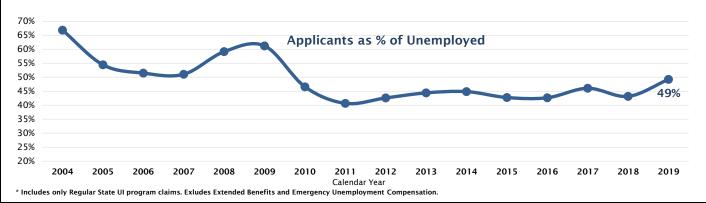












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- 6. Representative Claimants chosen to display the range of benefits and duration does not include Dependents, see Data Definitions item 11.

## Wisconsin 2019

	State Benefit Payment Amoun	ts	
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>	
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$54	N/A	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$370	N/A	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$9,620	N/A	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	14	14	
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26	

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>



Federal Weekly Minimum
Poverty Level<sup>3</sup>Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup>
\$240

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$855

### 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as
% of State's Avg Weekly Wage:

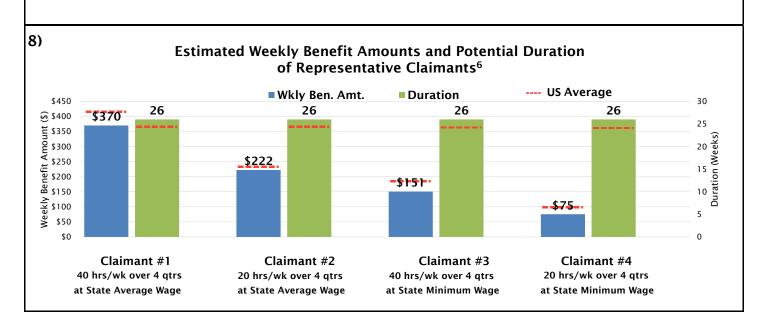
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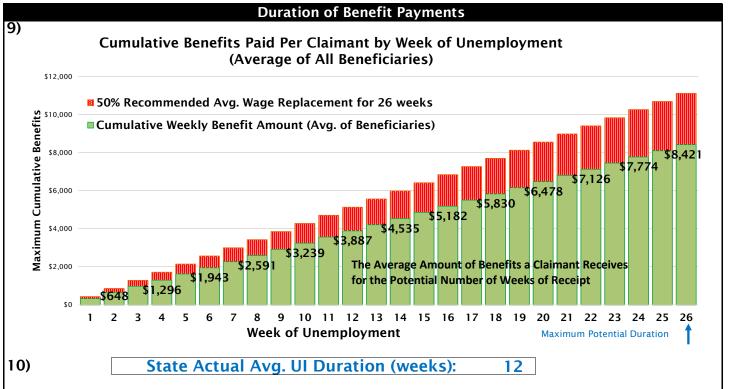
Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>:

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67%

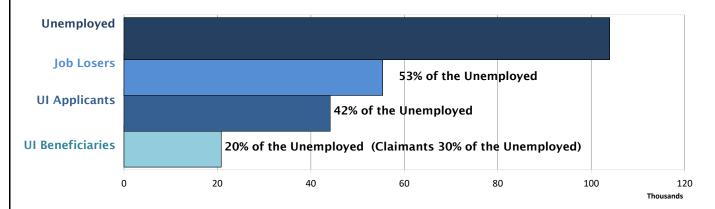
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 43%

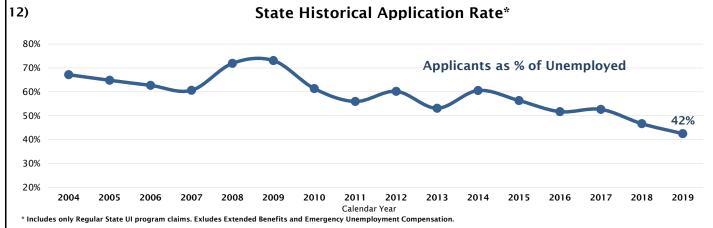






### 11) Application and Receipt of UI Benefits as a Proportion of the Unemployed





- 1. Dependents benefits represent the maximum amount a claimant may receive under the most number of dependents allowed.
- 2. Average Weekly Benefit and Replacement Rate as measured from the state's Benefit Accuracy Measures (sampling) database for the year.
- 3. Yearly standard provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 4. State hourly minimum wage for 40 hours, as defined by state law lowest of all state defined minimums. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 5. Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation (1996) recommendation, 1995-22.
- 6. Representative Claimants chosen to display the range of benefits and duration does not include Dependents, see Data Definitions item 11.

West	Virginia	2019
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State Benefit Payment Amounts				
	Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>		
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$24	N/A		
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$424	N/A		
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$11,024	N/A		
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	26	26		
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26		

State Average Weekly Benefit \$325

Federal Weekly Poverty Level<sup>3</sup> \$240

State Minimum Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup> \$350

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$959

### 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

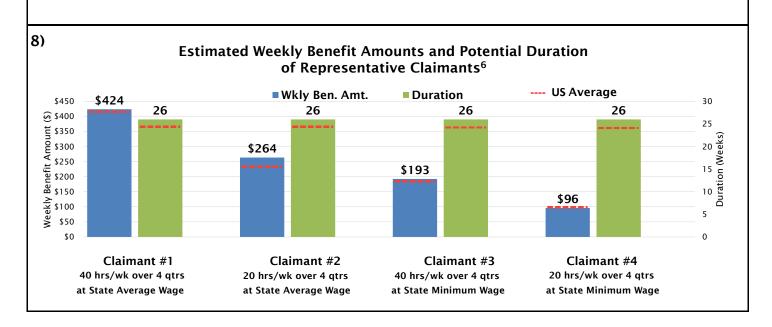
% of State's Avg Weekly Wage:

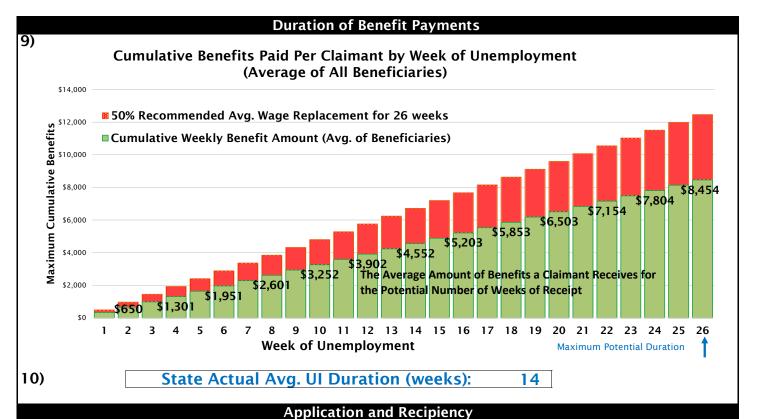
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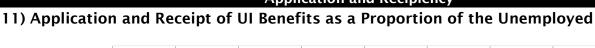
Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>:

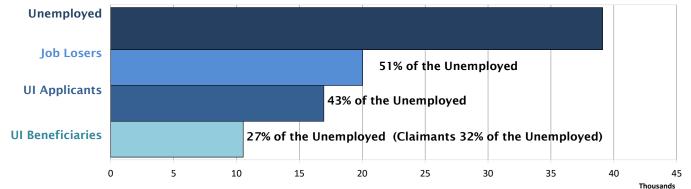
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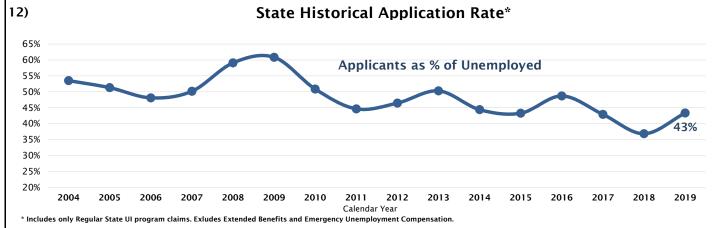
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 39%











- 1. Dependents benefits represent the maximum amount a claimant may receive under the most number of dependents allowed.
- 2. Average Weekly Benefit and Replacement Rate as measured from the state's Benefit Accuracy Measures (sampling) database for the year.
- 3. Yearly standard provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. See Data Definitions item 8.
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## Wyoming 2019

State Benefit Payment Amounts	
Without Dependents	With Dependents <sup>1</sup>
\$35	N/A

2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$489	N/A
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$12,714	N/A
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	11	11
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	26	26

6) Comparison of State Average Weekly Benefit to Weekly Income Levels<sup>2</sup>

State Average Weekly Benefit \$403

Federal Weekly
Poverty Level<sup>3</sup>
\$240

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1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:

State Minimum Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup> \$290

Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$838

### 7) Average and Maximum Weekly Benefit as a Percent of Claimants' Wages

State Formulation for Weekly Benefit Amount

As Percent of Prior Weekly Wages:

State Maximum Weekly Benefit as

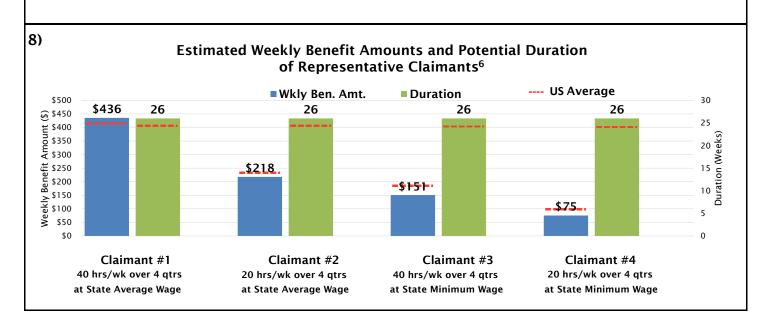
% of State's Avg Weekly Wage:

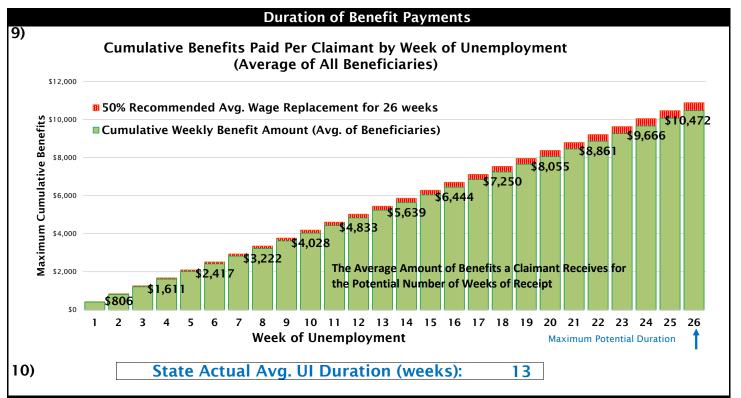
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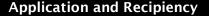
Recommended Standard<sup>5</sup>:

50%

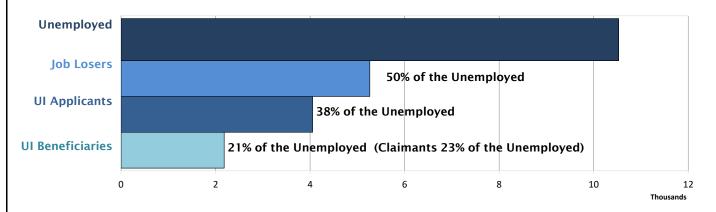
State Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>: 52%

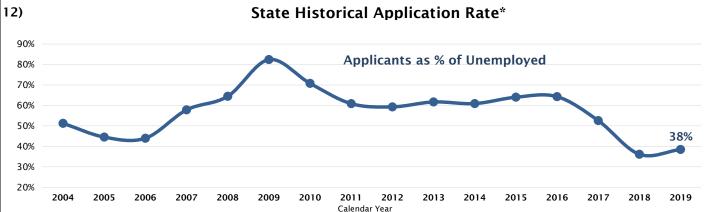






### 11) Application and Receipt of UI Benefits as a Proportion of the Unemployed





\* Includes only Regular State UI program claims. Exludes Extended Benefits and Emergency Unemployment Compensation

- 1. Dependents benefits represent the maximum amount a claimant may receive under the most number of dependents allowed.
- 2. Average Weekly Benefit and Replacement Rate as measured from the state's Benefit Accuracy Measures (sampling) database for the year.
- 3. Yearly standard provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 4. State hourly minimum wage for 40 hours, as defined by state law lowest of all state defined minimums. See Data Definitions item 8.
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- 6. Representative Claimants chosen to display the range of benefits and duration does not include Dependents, see Data Definitions item 11.

	<b>United States</b> 2	2019			
US Benefit Payment Ranges					
	Without Dependents		With Dependents		
1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$5	(HI)	\$30	(CT)	
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount:	\$795	(MA)	\$1,192	(MA)	
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount:	\$23,850	(MA)	\$35,760	(MA)	
4) Minimum Duration (weeks):	1	(WA)			
5) Maximum Duration (weeks):	30	(MA)	30	(MA)	



U.S. Average Weekly Benefit \$371

Federal Poverty U.S. Minimum Level<sup>3</sup> Weekly Wage<sup>4</sup> \$240 \$290 Avg. Weekly Wage (Claimants) \$967

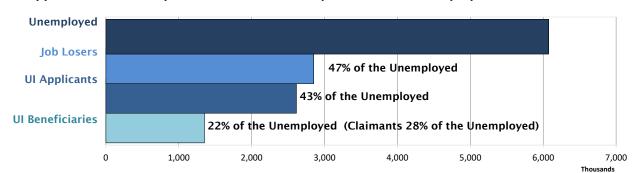
7)
Average of Individuals' Replacement Rate in 2018<sup>2</sup>:

45%

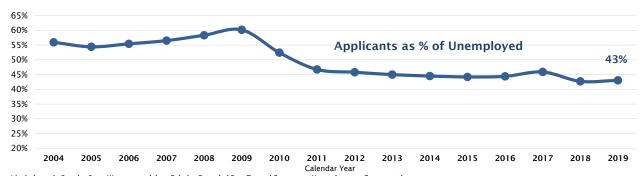
10) U.S. Actual Avg. UI Duration (weeks): 15

### **Application and Recipiency**

#### 11) Application and Receipt of UI Benefits as a Proportion of the Unemployed

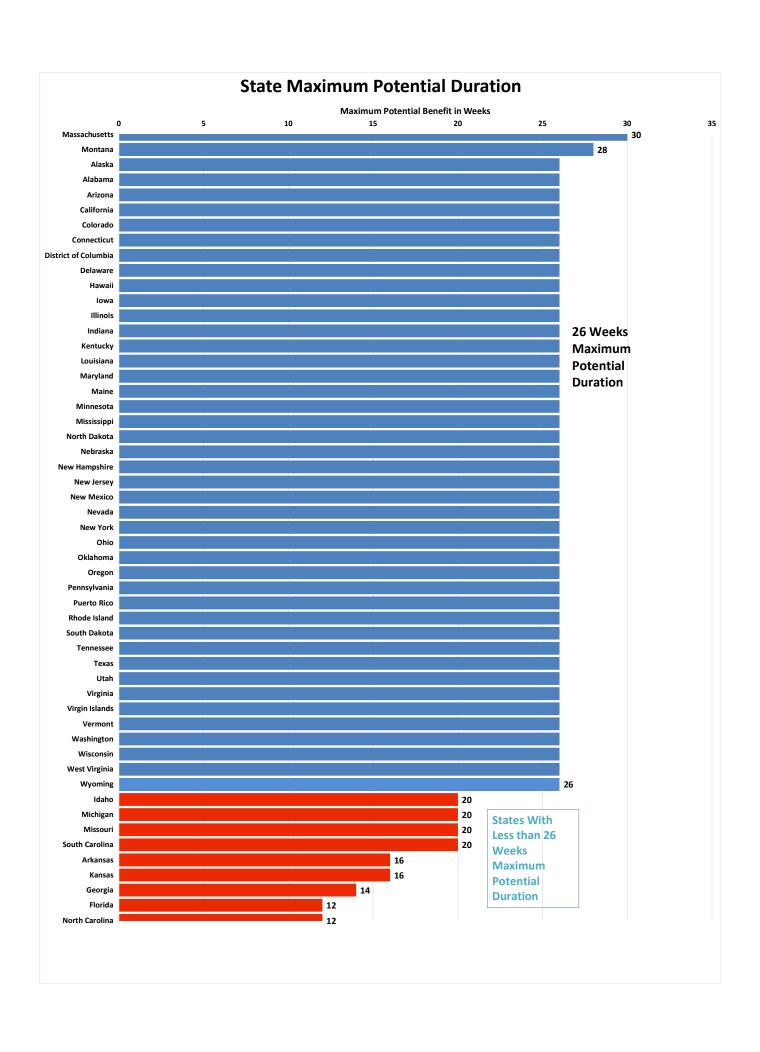


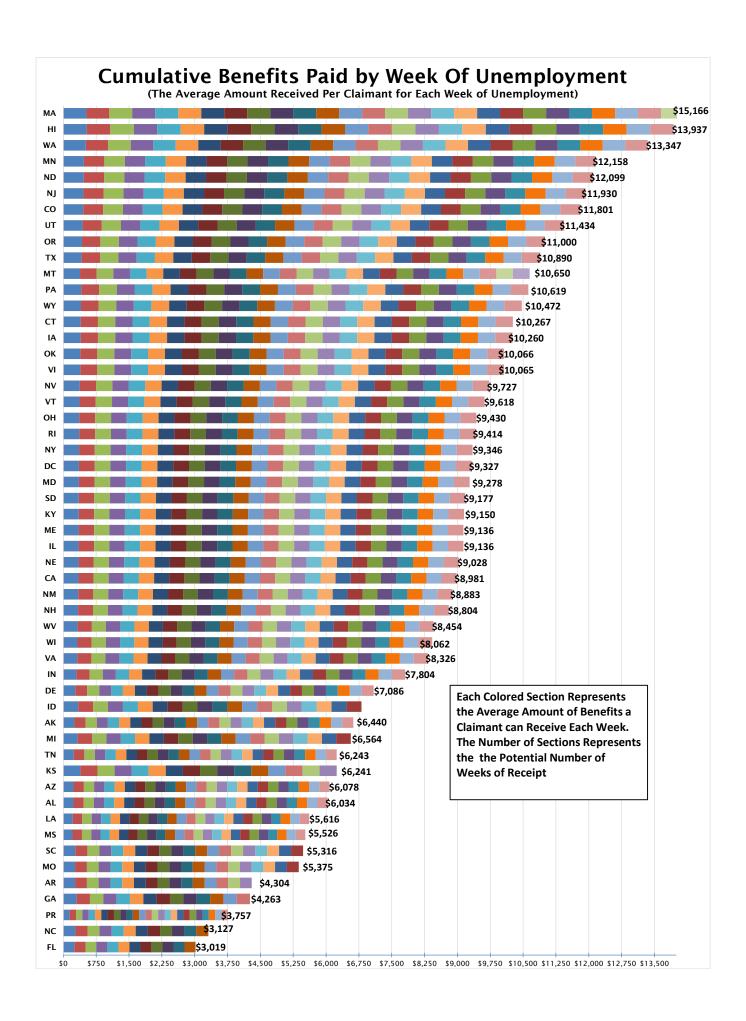




\* Includes only Regular State UI program claims. Exludes Extended Benefits and Emergency Unemployment Compensation

- Represents the maximum amount in any single state a claimant may receive under the most number of dependents allowed.
- 2. U.S. Avg. Weekly Benefit and Replacement Rate is an avg. from the states' Benefit Accuracy Measures (sampling) database for the year.
- 3. Yearly standard provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 4. Federal hourly minimum wage for 40 hours, as defined by Federal law lowest of all state defined minimums. See Data Definitions item 8.
- 5. Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation (1996) recommendation, 1995-22.
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## **Benefit Adequacy and Recipiency Report**

## **Data Definitions**

Following are the definitions used for all of the items reported in the Benefit Adequacy and Recipiency Report. The data used for this publication comes from individual state law publications, the ETA-5159 Benefit payment report, the ETA-218 Benefit Rights and Experience report, and the Bureau of Labor Statistics Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages report. All items are taken as of January 1, of the report year.

1) Minimum Weekly Benefit Amount	The lowest amount of money a claimant can collect each week in UI benefits. The amount with Dependents is the highest amount a claimant may receive by receiving the minimum weekly benefit and the most number of dependents allowed.
2) Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount	The highest amount of money a claimant can collect each week in week in UI benefits. The amount with Dependents is the highest amount a claimant may receive by receiving the maximum weekly benefit and the most number of dependents allowed.
3) Maximum Potential Benefit Amount	The highest amount of money a claimant can collect in UI benefits over their entire claim period. The amount with Dependents is the highest amount a claimant may receive by receiving the maximum level of benefits and having the most number of dependents allowed.
4) Minimum Duration	The minimum potential number of week's individuals can collect benefits. The amount with Dependents is the minimum potential number of week's individuals can collect benefits and having the most number of dependents allowed.
5) Maximum Duration	The maximum potential number of weeks individuals can collect benefits. The amount with Dependents is the maximum potential number of week's individuals can collect benefits and having the most number of dependents allowed.
6a) Average Weekly Benefit	This amount represents the average of weekly benefit amounts that are determined upon eligibility in the report year. This value is derived from the state Benefit Accuracy Measures (BAM) sample database- by taking

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	the average of all sampled claimants weekly benefit amount.	
6b) Federal Poverty Level	The minimum annual income required to avoid living in poverty in the U.S. Any level below this is considered insufficient to meet the basic necessities of life for a single individual. Based on yearly calculations from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. (Value is the same for the 48 continuous states and the District of Columbia. Separate values for Alaska and Hawaii). (https://www.healthcare.gov/glossary/federal-poverty-level-FPL/)	
6c) State Minimum Wage (for one week)	Based on the state statute of the minimum hourly wage level normalized to a 40-hour work week. If the state has several minimum wage levels for various geographical locations, then this is the lowest value set in state law. Department of Labor, Wage and Hour Division: https://www.dol.gov/general/topic/wages/minimumwage	
6d) Average Weekly Wage	The average weekly wage of claimants earned during their base period- derived in this case from the Benefits Accuracy Measurement database by taking the average of all sampled claimants reported base year wage levels.	
7a) Weekly Benefit Amount as % of Prior Weekly Wages	Based on State law, the portion of prior wages, as defined in the state weekly benefit formula, converted to a weekly amount of benefits and wages.	
7b) Maximum Weekly Benefit as % of State's Average Weekly Wage	The maximum weekly benefit amount set in state law as a proportion of the state average weekly wage derived from the Benefit Accuracy Measures (BAM) dataset by taking the average of all sampled claimants reported base year wage levels.	
7c) Suggested Standard for Replacement Rate	The recommendation of the Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation (1996), 1995-22.	
7d) Suggested Standard for the Maximum Weekly Benefit	The recommendation of the Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation (1996), 1995-22.	
7e) Weekly Benefit Amount as % of Claimants Average Weekly Wage	The average of the ratio of the individual claimants' weekly benefit amount (WBA) to the claimants' average weekly wage- derived from the Benefits Accuracy Measurement data.	

	The 95% Confidence Interval for each state's estimated Average Replacement Rate (7e) ranges between 1.1% and 1.8% (except for Hawaii at 2.7% and Rhode Island at 3.2%).
8) Estimated Weekly Benefit and Potential Duration of Representative Claimants	Calculated based on the monetary requirements of state law including the minimum wage requirement to receive benefits, the weekly benefit amount formula, the maximum benefit entitlement, and the minimum and maximum weeks of benefits. Calculation are based on claimants without dependents. The calculated amount and duration of benefits are made for the following representative claimants for each state:
Claimant #1: 40 hrs./wk. Over Four Quarters at State Average Wage	A claimant who has worked 40 hours per week over each of the four quarters of the year at the state's average wage level.
Claimant #2: 20 hrs./wk. Over Four Quarters at State Average Wage	A claimant who has worked 20 hours per week over each of the four quarters of the year at the state's average wage level.
Claimant #3: 40 hrs./wk. Over Four Quarters at State Minimum Wage	A claimant who has worked 40 hours per week over each of the four quarters of the year at the state's minimum wage level.
Claimant #4: 20 hrs./wk. Over Four Quarters at State Minimum Wage	A claimant who has worked 20 hours per week over each of the four quarters of the year at the state's minimum wage level.
9a) Average Cumulative Benefits Paid by Week of Unemployment	Displayed by week, is the average weekly benefit (item 6a) multiplied by the number of weeks of unemployment up to the maximum potential duration in state law (item 3).
9b) 50% of the State Average Weekly Wage by Week of Unemployment	Fifty percent of the state average weekly wage (item 6d) from the Benefits Accuracy Measurement data base for the report year multiplied by the number of weeks unemployed up to a maximum potential duration of 26 weeks.
10) State Average UI Duration	The average number of weeks all state beneficiaries have collected a UI benefit check. This number is derived by taking the number of weeks compensated for the year

	divided by the number of first payments, (ETA-5159 Benefit Report).
11a) Total Unemployed	The average number of individuals, 16 years of age or older, who do not have a job but are available for work and actively seeking work in the week of the 12th in each of the months of the year. This includes individuals on layoff and waiting to report to a new job within 30 days. (Bureau of Labor StatisticsNot Seasonally Adjusted)
11b) Job Losers	Unemployed persons who involuntarily lost their last job or who had completed a temporary job. This includes persons who were on temporary layoff expecting to return to work, as well as persons not on temporary layoff. Those not on temporary layoff include permanent job losers and persons whose temporary jobs had ended. (BLS)
11c) Applicants	The average number of individuals filing an initial claim given the average number of claimants (item13e) in the year (ETA-5159 report). This number is derived by taking the average number of claimants for a single week of the year multiplied by the ratio of Initial claims (intrastate, liable state, and transitional) to First Payments. (The Application Rate is derived by taking this number of applicants and dividing by the average number of unemployed (item 13e)).
11d) Beneficiaries	For the report year, the average weekly number of weeks compensated- those claimants who have received a check for UI benefits. The percentage shown is the proportion of beneficiaries of the total population of unemployed individuals. (ETA-5159 Benefits Report).
11e) Claimants	For the report year, the average weekly number of claimants who have filed a continued claim for receipt of UI benefits. The percentage shown is the proportion of claimants of the total population of unemployed individuals. (ETA- 5159 Benefits Report).
12) State Historical Application Rate	Item 11c divided by item 11a.

The amount with Dependents is the minimum potential number of week's individuals can collect benefits and having the most number of dependents allowed.