

States' Responsibilities for Providing Combined-Wage Claim (CWC) Filing Options
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Inquiry Filing Options:

- States without base period employment and wages (an inquiry state) for the individual must provide:
 - general information about the CWC program advising that states' programs/entitlements vary; and,
 - contact information for the state(s) where the individual worked during the base period(s) of such state(s).

- States with base period employment and wages (a potential paying state) for the individual must provide:
 - general information about the CWC program advising programs/entitlements vary between states;
 - information about its eligibility requirements and the individual's potential eligibility (including weekly benefit amount, maximum benefit amount) under its law for:
 - A regular UI claim; and/or a CWC (based on available information);
 - if available, the maximum weekly benefit amount(s) of the other state(s) where the individual worked; and,
 - contact information for the other state(s) where the individual worked during the base period(s) of such state(s).

Detailed Filing Options:

- States with base period employment and wages and any state(s) against which the individual decides to file a claim must provide:
 - general information about the CWC program advising programs/entitlements vary between states;
 - a review of the individual's work history to determine which filing options are available; and,
 - information about its eligibility requirements and the individual's potential eligibility (including weekly benefit amount, maximum benefit amount) under its law for:
 - A regular UI claim; and/or a CWC.

If a state is an agent state taking the claim on behalf of the paying state, the agent state will provide detailed filing options using available information at the time the interstate CWC is filed/taken.

Other Filing Options:

- If a CWC "paying state" issues a determination that the claimant is monetarily ineligible on a CWC after all wages are transferred, it must provide information to the claimant about his/her right to establish a claim in another state where s/he worked in its written determination of ineligibility. Language similar to the following will satisfy this requirement:
 - *You may be eligible for benefits on the basis of combining your employment and wages in another state where you have worked. To file a claim, you will need to contact the other state(s) where you worked.*