

## PREFACE

The Comparison of State Unemployment Insurance Laws provides state-by-state information on workers covered, benefit eligibility, methods of financing, and other areas of interest in the Unemployment Insurance (UI) program. It also includes information on the temporary disability programs operated in six states. The Comparison is published annually. This edition reflects the state laws enacted as of January 1, 2007.

The Comparison is issued solely for informational, reference, and research purposes. It is not an official interpretation of state UI laws. The state statute should be consulted for the full text of state law. Unless otherwise noted, the Comparison generally reflects state law, but not official interpretations of state laws, which are found in state rules and regulations, administrative and court decisions, and opinions of attorneys general.

This edition continues our efforts to make the Comparison more user-friendly and to reflect areas of current interest in the UI program. Major changes in this year's edition include:

- Modifying the Fund Requirements, and Range of Rates and Adjustments for Solvency or Social Cost Recoupment tables to more accurately reflect those adjustments that are treated as distinctly separate adjustments; and
- Streamlining the States with Availability of Part-Time Workers Provisions table.

We recognize that the Comparison is useful only if it contains accurate data. States are encouraged to advise us of any needed corrections, either through their Regional Offices or the contacts listed below. All users are invited to provide comments on the Comparison. We would like to thank those states that supplied updates and corrections.

The Comparison is available on-line at [www.workforcesecurity.doleta.gov](http://www.workforcesecurity.doleta.gov). (Click on "Laws;" then scroll down to "State Law Information.") Other documents available on-line are listed in Appendix II of the Comparison.

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