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TITLE: Unemployment Compensation (UC) Reduction

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## Question:

Is the 2.3% reduction of Unemployment Compensation still in effect?

Response By: Bureau of Policy Approved by: Luellen Schmidt

No, the 2.3% reduction is no longer in effect. Beginning UC payable week ending January 5, 2013, the reduction percentage has changed to **1.7%**.

The CAO will continue to use the reduced amount in eligibility determinations and benefits computations. For further clarification of the IEVS UC screens, we contacted the Division of Automation Planning and Support. You can access the amounts through two screens (UC Individual History and UC Individual detail). The amounts are displayed as follows:

From the Individual Detail and Check History Screens: Use the Net Benefit/Amount Paid plus adjustments or garnishments that cannot be excluded in the benefit computation.

UC Individual Detail/ Check History Screens:

- WEEKLY/WBR field displays gross benefits before the 1.7% reduction.
- NET BENEFIT/Amount Paid field displays net benefits AFTER the 1.7% reduction, deductions and/or garnishments.
- Review the Benefit Calculation details with adjustment codes by selecting the Additional Information button next to the NET BENEFIT/Amount Paid field. This will display the Benefit Calculation details box. Selecting the chevron button next to the adjustments/deductions field will display deductions with codes and descriptions. The dollar amount of the 1.7% reduction is listed but does not have a code or description.

NOTE: This 1.7% benefit reduction is applied to the regular weekly benefit amount and the dependent's allowance only. The reduction does not apply to EUC, EB, TRA, and DRA. Also, the total balance of the UC claim will continue to be reduced by the amount of the UC check before the reduction; meaning that the UC claim will not be extended because of the reduced weekly benefit.

Labor and Industry 1.7% Benefit Reduction

The following Policy Clarification is obsolete with the posting of this clarification:

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