

**Policy Clarifications -  
Cash - All - PCA15081150  
Medicaid - All - PMA15081350  
SNAP - All - PFS15081550**

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**Citations:**

**Subject: Unemployment Compensation (UC) Reduction**

With the 2.3% reduction of Unemployment Compensation effective 01/02/10, the account balance is reduced by the weekly benefit amount prior to benefit reduction. Should we count the full weekly benefit amount or the reduced weekly benefit amount for benefit eligibility determination?

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Use the reduced amount in eligibility determinations and benefit computations.  
From the Individual Detail Screen: Use the net amount/benefit plus adjustments or garnishments that cannot be excluded in the benefit computation.

From the Individual History Screen: Use the paid amount/net benefit plus adjustments or garnishments that cannot be excluded in the benefit computation.

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:  
UC Individual Detail Screen:

WEEKLY AMT field displays gross benefits before the 2.3% reduction.  
NET AMT/BENEFIT field displays net benefits AFTER the 2.3% reduction, deductions and/or garnishments. Review eCIS Details-Web Page Dialog for adjustments details. The dollar amount of the 2.3% reduction is listed but does not have a code or description.

UC Individual History screen:

WEEKLY AMT field displays gross benefits before the 2.3% reduction.  
PAID AMT/NET BENEFIT field displays net amount AFTER the 2.3% reduction, deductions and/or garnishments.

NOTE: This benefit reduction is applied to the regular weekly benefit amount and the

dependent's allowance only. The reduction does not apply to EUB, EB, TRA, and DRA or to the \$25 stimulus payment. The total balance of the UC claim will continue to be reduced by the amount of the UC check before the 2.3% reduction. (The UC claim will not be extended because of the reduced weekly benefit.)

[Federal Programs UC Information](#)

The following Policy Clarifications are obsolete with the posting of this clarification:

PCA 12082-150

PMA 12082-350

PFS 12082-550

And

PCA 13508-150

PMA 13508-350

PFS 13508-550