

TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT NOTICE	<b>NO.</b> 11-11
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**TO:** STATE WORKFORCE AGENCIES

**FROM:** JANE OATES /s/  
Assistant Secretary

**SUBJECT:** Release and Availability of *Comparison of State Unemployment Insurance Laws 2011*

1. **Purpose.** To announce the release and availability of *Comparison of State Unemployment Insurance Laws 2011*.
2. **Background.** Each year, the Department of Labor publishes a new edition of *Comparison of State Unemployment Insurance Laws* to reflect recent changes to state laws and new areas of interest.
3. **Publication Description.** This publication provides in-depth information on key aspects of state unemployment insurance programs such as coverage, financing, monetary entitlement, extensions and special programs, nonmonetary eligibility, overpayments, and appeals. It also provides an overview of the temporary disability programs operated in six states.

The 2011 edition includes significant updates reflecting state law changes made in light of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and subsequent legislation. In particular, many states added provisions establishing alternative base periods and making it easier to trigger “on” to the Extended Benefits program.

Five copies of *Comparison of State Unemployment Insurance Laws* are mailed to the administrator of each state workforce agency. *Comparison of State Unemployment Insurance Laws* can be found on the Office of Unemployment Insurance’s Web site at: <http://www.oui.doleta.gov/unemploy/laws.asp>. A limited number of additional copies are also available.

4. **Inquiries.** Comments or requests for a copy of this publication should be sent to Loryn Lancaster at 202-693-2994 or at [lancaster.loryn@dol.gov](mailto:lancaster.loryn@dol.gov), or to Agnes Wells at 202-693-2996 or at [wells.agnes@dol.gov](mailto:wells.agnes@dol.gov). Comments and requests can also be mailed to either of the above at the following address: U.S. Department of Labor; Employment and Training Administration; OUI/DL; Room S-4524; Washington, D.C. 20210.