

Minnesota Unemployment Information

Waiting Period	7 day waiting period has been waived due to COVID-19 response
Job Search Requirements	If temporarily laid off, staying in contact with your employer is sufficient
Recertification Frequency	Recertification needs to be completed every week.
Weekly Benefit (WBA) Calculation	About 50 percent of your average weekly wage up to a state maximum of \$740.
Maximum Weekly Benefit	\$740 weekly
Maximum # of Payments	Maximum benefit is 26x the weekly benefit.
Tools and Websites	https://uimn.org/applicants/needtoknow/news-updates/covid-19.jsp https://www.uimn.org/applicants/howapply/info-handbook/checklist.jsp https://www.uimn.org/applicants/
Ways to apply for benefits	<p>The preferred way to apply is online, using the link above. You may be able to access the website on your smartphone.</p> <p>If you do not have internet access, you can call to apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Calling from the Twin Cities: (651)296-3644 - Calling from greater Minnesota: (877)898-9090
When to apply	<p>Apply for benefits the same week you become unemployed or your hours are greatly reduced.</p> <p>Apply Monday if your <u>SSN ends in 0, 1, or 2</u> Apply Tuesday if your <u>SSN ends in 3, 4, or 5</u> Apply Wednesday if your <u>SSN ends in 6, 7, 8, or 9</u> Any <u>applicant</u> can apply on Thursday or Friday</p>
Information needed to apply	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social Security number • Driver's license number or other state government identification number • Contact information (mailing address and telephone number) • Employment history for the past 18 months, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Each employer's name, address and telephone number ○ Dates of employment (month and year) ○ Pay rate ○ Reason you no longer work for the employer • If you want direct deposit, your bank account number and routing number.
Child support and unemployment benefits	<p>Minnesota Statute provides the Minnesota Unemployment Insurance (UI) Program authority to withhold a portion of unemployment benefits for the payment of child support obligations.</p> <p>If you are required to pay child support by a court or other enforcement agency, child support payments will be deducted from your weekly benefit amount and sent to the child support collection agency. If you believe that too much child support is being deducted, or if you have questions, contact the child support agency that is enforcing the support order.</p> <p>The percentage of benefits withheld is determined by the child support enforcement agency. The amounts vary up to a maximum of 65 percent of the weekly benefit amount.</p>