



Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA)

Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act)

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) provides payment to workers not traditionally eligible for unemployment benefits (self-employed, independent contractors, workers with limited work history, and others) who are unable to work as a direct result of the coronavirus public health emergency.

COVID-19 Scenarios	COVERED	NOT COVERED
Diagnosed with COVID-19 or with COVID-19 symptoms and seeking diagnosis		
Member of household has been diagnosed with COVID-19		
Providing care for family or household member diagnosed with COVID-19		
Primary caregiver for child unable to attend school or another facility closed due to COVID-19		
Unable to reach place of employment due to an imposed quarantine or because advised by medical provider to self-quarantine due to COVID-19		
Scheduled to commence new employment and cannot reach workplace as direct result of COVID-19		
Became major breadwinner because head of household died from COVID-19		
Quit job as a direct result of COVID-19		
Place of employment closed as a direct result of COVID-19		
Self-employed/Independent Contractors/1099 filers/Farmers – and affected by COVID-19		
Seeking part-time employment but affected by COVID-19		
With insufficient work history and affected by COVID-19		
Otherwise not qualified for regular or extended UI benefits and affected by COVID-19		
Individuals that can telework with pay		
Individual receiving paid sick leave or other paid leave benefits (regardless of meeting a category listed above)		