

State Information Data Exchange System

UI SIDES Update

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State Information Data Exchange (SIDES)

Background Information

IPIA FFY 2015 National UI Integrity Rates

- UI benefits Paid: \$31.1 billion
- Benefits Overpaid: \$3.1 billion (10.06%)

Top Causes of Overpayments:

- Working While Receiving Benefits
 - 34.30% of overpayments
 - \$1.1 billion dollars
- Work Search
 - 29.87% of overpayments
 - \$935.2 million dollars
- Incorrect Initial Eligibility Determinations (Reason for job loss)
 - 16.16% of overpayments
 - \$506.1 million overpaid due to separation issues



Initial Eligibility Determination Performance

Separation Determination Quality CY 2015

 \succ Determinations scoring 95 points or more: <u>71.2%</u>.

(Criterion 75%)

<u>20 States failed</u> to meet the quality criterion

Separation Determination Timeliness CY 2015

 \succ Separation determinations issued within 21 days: <u>65.2%</u>*.

37 states did not meet the 21 day timeliness for separations

*Nonmonetary Determination Timeliness ALP = 80%



What is SIDES?

Computer to Computer Exchange:

- Web Services <u>SIDES</u>
- Web Site SIDES E-Response
- Single Point of Contact
- Secure Exchange
 - Authentication certificates
 - Encrypted records and files

Data Standards

- Standard formats for data elements
- Edits, validations, business rules





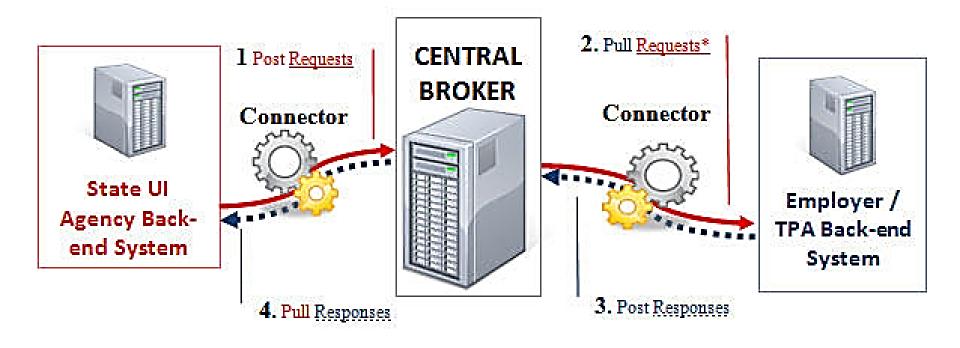


Goals of SIDES

- National standard format
- Quality and timely information
- Significant % of determinations possible made w/o further contact (i.e. telephone)
- Single point of contact for both states and employers
- Fewer unnecessary appeal hearings and overpayments

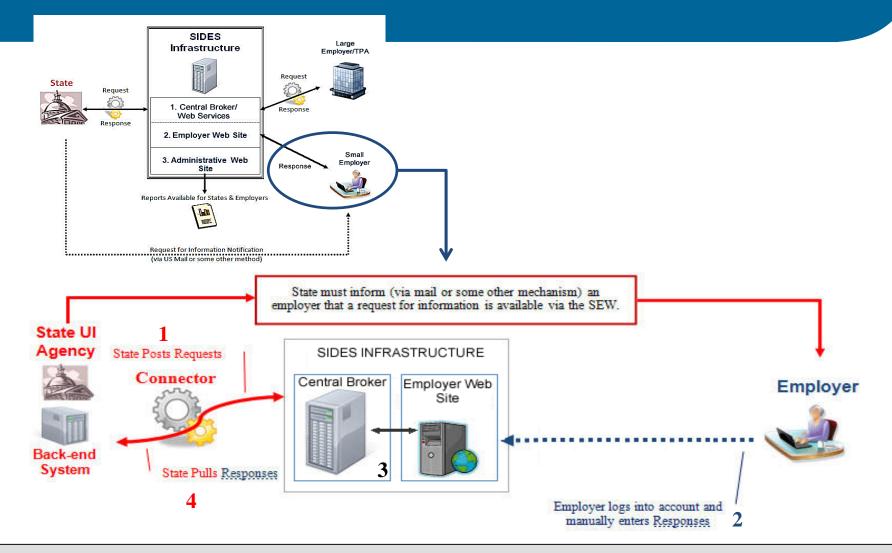


SIDES – Web Service Applications





SIDES E-Response – Web Site Application





SIDES – System Highlights

- Confirmation of receipt of submission
- Metrics reporting and logging
- Transaction time stamp (Eastern Standard Time)
- Data center facility:
 - 99.9% system availability
 - Secure and redundant services
 - 24 hour system administration and support desk
 - Disaster recovery and COOP services



Benefits of UI SIDES

- Single point of contact for both states and employers
- Standardization of information Requests One format for states and employers
- Reduce follow-up phone calls Significant % of determinations made w/o further contact
- Faster transit times (outbound and inbound) → reduces time pressure for both states and employers
- Improves timeliness and completeness of UI responses, potentially
 - saving millions \$ in overpayments,
 - erroneous employer charges, and
 - ultimately UI tax rates



Benefits of UI SIDES (cont.)

- Electronic storage & retrieval
 - Reduced amount of postage
 - Reduced amount of paper generated
 - Reduced staffing to handle paper forms
 - Reduced scanning/imaging expenses
- Eliminates legibility concerns of manual forms
- Reduces the number of appeals file
- Reduced overpayments due to hidden separations
- Reduced reconsidered determinations

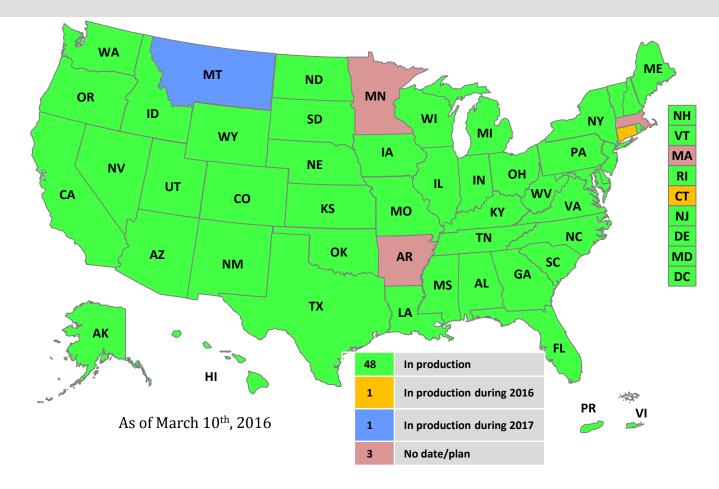




UI State Information Data Exchange System (SIDES) Separation Information Exchange

Multi-State Third Party Administrators and Employers

Equifax ADP St. Louis Employers Edge Personnel Planners Thomas and Thorngren Caterpillar Corporate Cost Control Price Waterhouse Coopers Intelligent Employee Solutions **ADP New Hampshire** AZ Labor Force People Systems Ernst and Young **Premier Employee Solutions** Dunn Corporate Resources **Barnett Associates** Sedgwick CMS

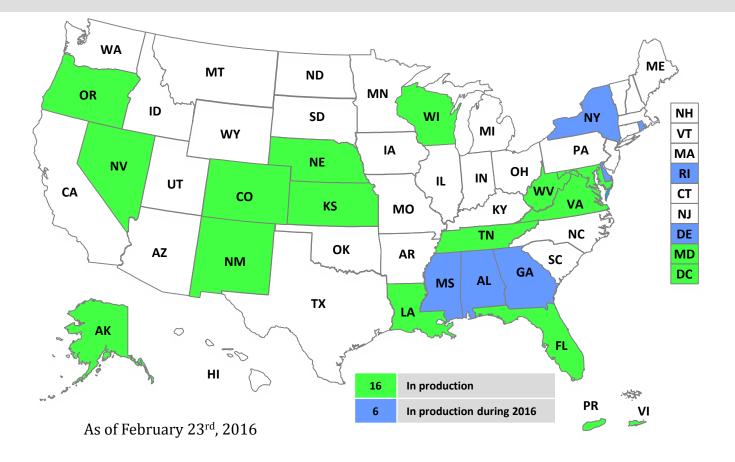






UI State Information Data Exchange System (SIDES) Earnings Verification Exchange





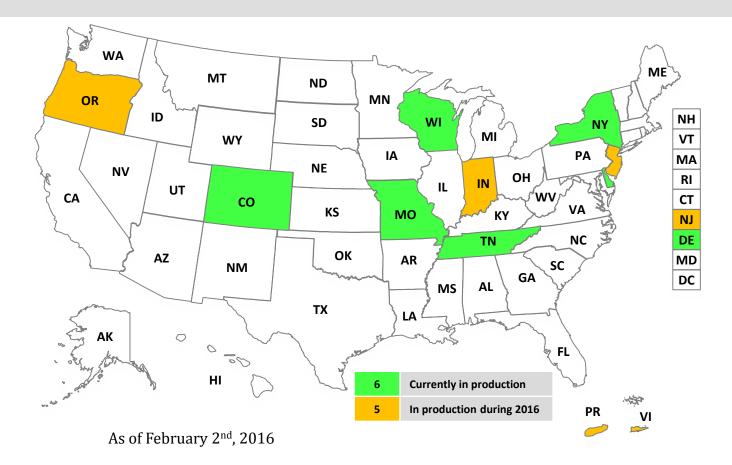




UI State Information Data Exchange System (SIDES) Monetary and Potential Charges Exchange

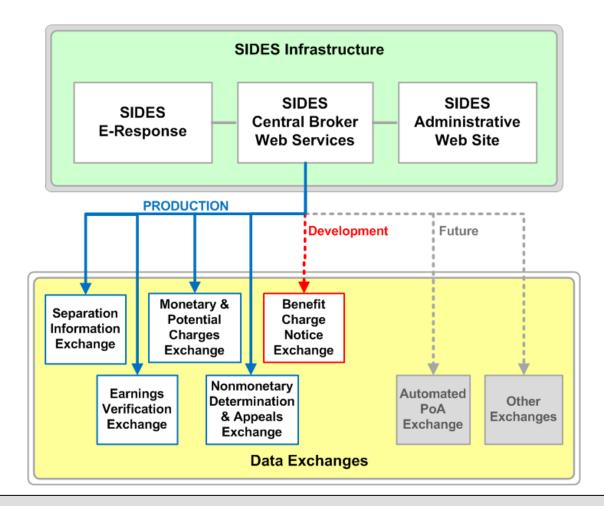
Multi-State Third Party Administrators and Employers

People Systems Equifax ADP St. Louis Thomas and Company





UI SIDES Infrastructure and Data Exchange Applications





SIDES Data Exchanges

- Separation Information
- Earnings Verification
- Monetary & Potential Charges
- Determinations and Decisions
- Benefit Charges (in development target release September 2016)



Separation Information

One of the leading causes of improper UI benefit payments

- Second only to working while collecting UI
- Contributing factor to the President's Executive Order on improper payments
- First SIDES exchange

Who:

- Last Employer
- Last Bonafide (subject to UI) Employer
- Base Period Employer

What:

- Request for Info on reason for Job Loss
- Notice of Claim (attachment)



Monetary & Potential Charges

Who:

- Chargeable Employers
- Interested Employers

What is included:

- Monetary Determination of Eligibility for UI
- Notifications of Potential Charge to Employer



Earnings Verification

Working While Receiving Benefits is the largest cause of Overpayments

- > 34.30% of overpayments
- \$1.1 billion dollars

Who:

Any employer

Why:

- National Directory of New Hire
- State Directory of New Hire
- Interstate Cross Match of Benefits & Wages
- State Quarterly Cross Match of Ben. & Wages
- Tips



Determinations & Decisions

Who

Employers who are interested parties

What:

- Non Monetary Separation Determinations, Redeterminations, Revisions, & Withdrawals
- Non Monetary Non Separation Determinations, Redeterminations, Revisions, & Withdrawals
- Lower Level Appeal Decisions
- Higher Authority Appeal Decisions



Benefit Charges

Who

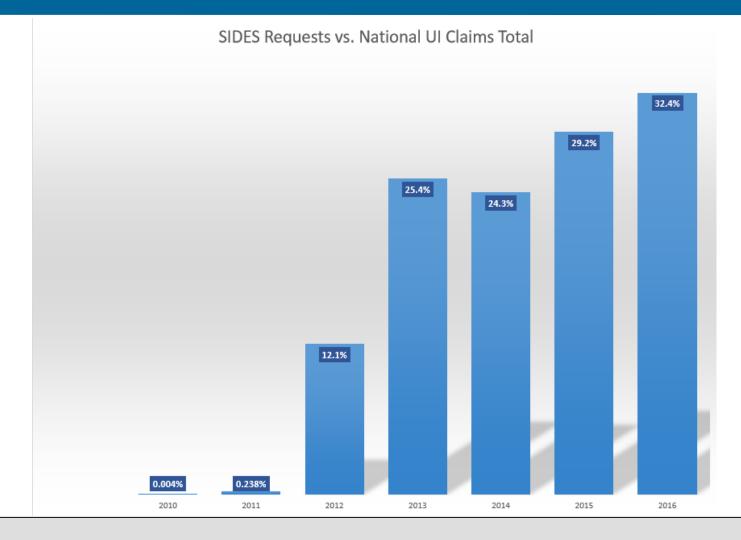
Employers who are interested parties

What:

- Benefit charge notice to employer
- Benefit charge notice to non-reimbursable employer
- Transmittal of attachments
 - Invoice, action required by employer
 - Actionable attachment
 - Informational only no action required
- Depending upon the UI Agency's rules, employers may be able to 'Protest/Appeal/Question' their notice



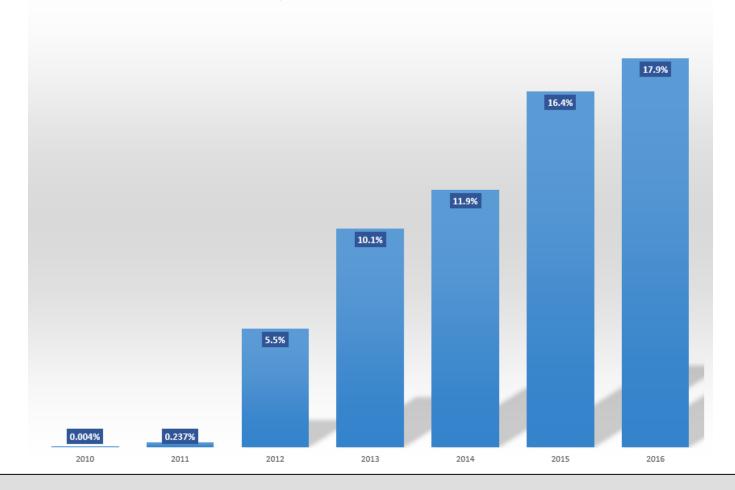
SIDES Workload History – 2010 through January 2016





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SIDES Responses vs. National UI Claims Total





How to implement SIDES

How to decide which version?

- <u>http://info.uisides.org</u>
- Select "General Information and Fact Sheet"
- "SIDES and SIDES E-Response Comparison Table"







Which Version of SIDES?

	SIDES E-Response	SIDES
How it Works	A secure website through which employers and third party administrators (TPAs) submit electronic responses to UI information requests. Employers and TPAs receive a request for UI information from the participating state UI agency by mail or secure email that includes a PIN to log on to SIDES E-Response and enter the requested information in a standard format.	An automated computer-to-computer interface for employers and TPAs to receive and respond electronically to UI information requests. Information requests from the state and responses from employers are all in the same standard format. SIDES produces performance metrics and provides audit controls.
What it Requires	 A working internet connection An employee who will enter the requested UI information NO programming is required to implement NO charge for its use 	 Internal IT system integration technical support is available Model Connector available FREE OF CHARGE NO other costs for using SIDES
Best Suited For	Employers and TPAs with a limited number of annual UI claims.	Employers and TPAs who typically handle a large volume of UI information requests or multi-state employers and TPAs.



Which Version (continued)

Deciding factors:

- UI separation request workload
- Single state presence or multi-state
- Ability of company to fund and complete IT project to connect your system to the SIDES Broker
- Model Connector free of charge
- Third Party Administrator or Employer?







How to implement SIDES Web Services

Implementation plan (high level)

- Form internal SIDES team (business and IT staff)
- http://info.uisides.org
- Select "SIDES"
- "Introductory Guide" and "Implementation Guide"
- After thorough examination of these two documents, contact SIDES Director or Operations Director to set up initial meeting with National SIDES Team



How to implement SIDES E-Response

Implementation plan (high level)

- SIDES E-Response registration/participation handled on a state-by-state basis
- <u>http://info.uisides.org</u>
- Select "E-Response Assistance"
- Contact/registration/assistance information provided by state available on document



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