



Workforce Information Advisory Council: Expedited Recommendations



WIAC Mission

To provide recommendations to the Secretary of Labor, working jointly through the Employment and Training Administration and the Bureau of Labor Statistics to address:

- The evaluation and improvement of the National WLMI system and the statewide systems that comprise the national system
- How DOL and the states will cooperate in the management of those systems



Why Expedited Recommendations?

- The need for improvement to the Workforce and Labor Market Information system has been dramatically magnified by the global pandemic.
- There have been, and continue to be, significant changes in the labor market that create challenges for employers, job-seekers, educators, and policy makers.
- Large allocations of resources are currently available for deployment to restore efficient economic activity.
- There is uncertainty at all levels with how to effectively invest those resources for maximum impact.



Recommendation #1

Advocate for the adoption of Enhanced Unemployment Insurance Wage Records by including additional information:

1. Occupational Job Title
2. Hours Worked
3. Job Site Location



Recommendation #2

Improve data and information on the changing nature of work through a new Department of Labor working group.



Recommendation #3

Adequately fund State workforce and Labor Market Information infrastructure to meet 21st century demands for data-driven decision making



Looking forward: Future Areas of Inquiry

- Examining skills and skill clustering, especially with emerging industries
- Improving the process for connecting jobseekers and employers
- Sharing and Synchronization of Administrative data