

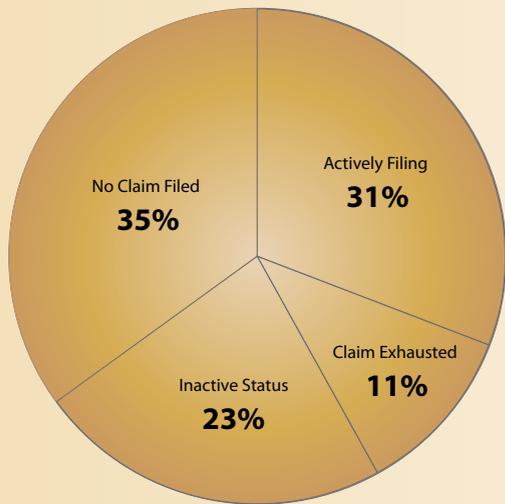


Utah is Getting Back to Work

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In July 2010, Utah's Department of Workforce Services initiated the Back to Work hiring incentive program. Back to Work (BTW) was designed to help preserve the Unemployment Insurance (UI) trust fund and stimulate job growth by providing eligible employers with up to \$2,000 for each eligible participant they hire and retain for at least three months. This cash incentive can be combined with the federal Work Opportunity Tax Credits and the Bonding program when appropriate, which can amount to a great deal of revenue and savings for hiring the right applicants. In a recessionary job market where there is no shortage of talented workers, this has been an amazing opportunity for Utah employers to literally cash in. To date, 795 Utah employers have enrolled to participate in BTW.

Back to Work Participant Claim Status



Enrolled in Back to Work Program	5,389
Unemployment claimants	3,506
Claimants with inactive status	1,261
Potential savings to UI Trust Fund	\$2,287,741

A recent evaluation of BTW has shown there are 3,506 Utah UI claimants enrolled in the Back to Work program before or during their unemployment benefit year. They constitute 65 percent of the total program enrollments; the remaining 35 percent are enrolled in a BTW Youth version of the program. Of these individuals, 1,261 have an unexpired claim with an available balance that they are not actively filing against.

The potential savings to the employer-funded UI Trust Fund based on their remaining claim balance equals \$2,287,741. There is also a potential savings to the federally-funded Emergency Unemployment Compensation (EUC) program, should these individuals maintain their employment. 

For more information on the Back to Work Program and how to enroll visit:

- <http://jobs.utah.gov/btw/employer.html>
- <http://jobs.utah.gov/btw/jsclaimant.html>