



Unemployment Compensation Program



- Employee Information How to File for Unemployment -

The Unemployment Compensation for Federal Employees (UCFE) program provides benefits to eligible unemployed or partially unemployed Federal civilian employees. The UCFE program is administered by individual states as agents of the Federal government. The program is operated under the same terms and conditions that apply to regular state Unemployment Insurance (UI).

- *In general, the law of the state in which your last official duty station in Federal Civilian service was located will be the state law that determines benefits amounts, number weeks benefits can be paid and other eligibility conditions.*

To File an Unemployment Compensation Claim, please visit:

<https://abc.chra.army.mil>

- In the top, right-hand corner, click on **Quick Links**.
- Under Benefit Topics, click on **Unemployment Compensation**.
- On the Unemployment Compensation homepage, there is a link for [State Unemployment Insurance Agency](#). File in the state of your last duty station. **Note:** If you become unemployed while overseas, no claim for benefits under the UCFE program may be filed until you've returned to the United States, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, or the U.S. Virgin Islands.

SF8 - Notice to Federal Employee About Unemployment Insurance:

- The **SF-8 - Notice to Federal Employee About Unemployment Insurance** form must be provided to separated employees, employees who are placed in a non-pay or leave without pay status for more than 7 consecutive days, or when an employee changes payroll offices. The SF-8 provides the name, address, contact person, and the Federal Identification Code (FIC) of the DoD component.
- The SF-8 explains the basic eligibility requirements, provides general information as to how, when, and where to file a claim, and explains what documents are needed when filing a claim.
- The SF-8 also informs the UI agency on who to send requests for wage and separation information and identifies the correct DoD Component for billing purposes. Please ensure the correct SF-8 is selected based on the applicable DoD Component to prevent delays with processing the claim.
- Downloadable copies of the SF-8 are also available on the ABC-C Unemployment Compensation homepage.
- [SF8 Army May2022v2.pdf](#)
- [SF8 DHA May2022v2.pdf \(army.mil\)](#)
- [SF8 DoDEA May2022v2.pdf \(army.mil\)](#)

The **Army Benefits Center - Civilian, Unemployment Compensation Branch**, provides guidance to employees on the unemployment process; however, we do not approve claims or authorize payment.

- For inquiries regarding unemployment compensation, please contact the Army Benefits Center - Civilian via email: usarmy.riley.chra-hqs.mbx.abcc-uc-inquiry@army.mil.
- Or by phone: **1-866-792-7620**, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM (CST), Monday thru Thursday.