

**Table 8.--Principal administrative data for the unemployment and sickness benefit programs,
benefit years 2002-2003 through 2006-2007, cash basis**

Item	2002-2003	2003-2004	2004-2005	2005-2006	2006-2007
Qualified employees.....	259,100	248,800	242,200	244,600	250,200
Maximum daily benefit rate.....	\$52	\$55	\$56	\$56	\$57
UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS					
Net amount of benefits paid (thousands)	\$45,614	\$38,264	\$30,179	\$30,586	\$29,627
Payments:¹					
Number.....	96,700	76,400	62,000	54,000	56,600
Average amount per two week claim period.....	\$449	\$477	\$489	\$490	\$499
Beneficiaries.....	15,400	11,700	9,300	8,900	9,500
Applications received.....	18,300	14,400	11,700	11,400	12,200
Claims received.....	116,400	91,700	73,700	65,000	68,800
Normal benefit accounts exhausted.....	2,900	2,400	2,200	1,900	1,800
Non-compensable waiting period only²..	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)
SICKNESS BENEFITS					
Net amount of benefits paid (thousands)	\$49,891	\$46,413	\$43,405	\$43,801	\$43,533
Payments:¹					
Number.....	160,700	152,700	140,200	135,500	128,300
Average amount per two week claim period.....	\$461	\$486	\$496	\$496	\$503
Beneficiaries.....	22,400	21,600	20,200	19,700	19,000
Applications received.....	27,900	26,600	25,100	26,400	23,300
Claims received.....	185,700	176,800	162,700	157,800	149,700
Normal benefit accounts exhausted.....	4,700	4,500	3,900	3,700	3,500
Non-compensable waiting period only²..	100	200	100	100	100

¹ Not adjusted for recoveries or settlements of underpayments.

² Benefits are payable for each day of unemployment or sickness in excess of 7 during the first 14-day registration period in a benefit year.

³ Less than 50.

NOTE.--Data covered program activities during the year, regardless of when unemployment or sickness occurred.

