



Unemployment and Taxes

Unemployment insurance payments are taxable. When you file for unemployment, you have the option to choose to have taxes taken out at the time benefits are paid. **If you opt to have the deductions taken out of your unemployment benefits,** the standard deduction used is 10% for Federal Taxes and 5% for State Taxes.

The 1099-G form is used to report unemployment compensation on your tax return. Box 1 of the 1099-G form shows your total unemployment compensation payments for the year.

NOTE: The 1099-G displays benefits **BEFORE** taxes, not net benefits actually received if you opted to have your taxes deducted.

If you have moved and need to update your mailing address: your mailing address must be updated in your ReEmployME account by December 31, 2022 to make sure you receive your 1099-G. The U.S. Post Office cannot forward these documents to a different address.

By the end of January 2023, everyone who received unemployment benefits during 2022 will be sent a 1099-G form by regular postal mail.

The form will also be available electronically in your ReEmployME account, under Correspondences, as well as the 'View and Print 1099' tab located on your ReEmployME Home page.

If you do not receive your physical copy by February 15, 2023, please report this to the Department by leaving an online message here: [Contact Us Form](#). **Be sure to select 'Unemployment Claim' for the Division, and then '1099-G' from the 'Reason for Request' drop down menu, to be sure your message is routed properly.**

Where can I find my 1099?

To find the electronic version of your 1099-G, log into your ReEmployMe unemployment account and click on your 'Correspondences' tab or the 'View and Print 1099' tab, from your ReEmployME Home page.

When completing my taxes, it asks for the State ID number on the 1099G I received from Unemployment. Where do I find the number to use?

The Maine Department of Labor is an equal opportunity provider. Auxiliary aids and services are available to individuals with disabilities upon request.

Use the number shown in the field marked 'PAYER'S Federal Identification No' on your 1099-G.

Where do I find my 2022 total Repayments, Offsets, & Credits?

You will be able to view your 2022 total Repayments, Offsets, & Credits by logging into your ReEmployME account and selecting the 'Summary for Income Verification Screen.' You will have the ability to print the screen for your records.

What if I receive a 1099-G and did not file for or receive unemployment insurance payments in 2022?

If you receive a 1099-G for benefits you did not file for or receive payments for in 2022, please let the Department know immediately, as this could be a case of identity theft and fraud.

You can report this to the Department by leaving an online message here, [Contact Us Form](#). **Be sure to select 'Unemployment Claim' for the Division, and then '1099-G' from the 'Reason for Request' drop-down menu, to be sure your message is routed properly.**

What if I filed for and received unemployment benefits in 2022 and did not receive a 1099-G?

If you filed for and received unemployment benefits in 2022 and did not receive a 1099-G by February 15, 2023, please let the Department know immediately.

You can report this to the Department by leaving an online message here, [Contact Us Form](#). **Be sure to select 'Unemployment Claim' for the Division, and then '1099-G' from the 'Reason for Request' drop-down menu, to be sure your message is routed properly.**

I think my 1099 is incorrect. What do I do?

It is important to note that the 1099-G, Box 1, shows benefits **BEFORE** taxes, not net benefits actually received if you opted to have your taxes deducted.

If you do not think your 1099-G is correct, please let the Department know immediately.

You can report this to the Department by leaving an online message here, [Contact Us Form](#). **Be sure to select 'Unemployment Claim' for the Division, and then '1099-G' from the 'Reason for Request' drop-down menu, to be sure your message is routed properly.**

I need a copy of my 1099-G from previous years. How can I get them?

The Maine Department of Labor is an equal opportunity provider. Auxiliary aids and services are available to individuals with disabilities upon request.

1099G's from the past 3 years are available in your ReEmployME account under the 'Correspondences' tab. Make sure you select the correct year (for example, 2021 1099-Gs were sent in 2022).

I am being told, or have received, a 1099-G showing unemployment benefits paid to me by another state, not Maine. I did not file for benefits in that state. What do I do?

If you received a 1099-G from another state and did not file for benefits in that state, you will need to contact the state Unemployment Insurance office that sent you the 1099-G to report this issue and for assistance in resolving it. It would not be something we could resolve through Maine.

What if I received unemployment benefits in 2022 from a state other than Maine?

You will receive a separate 1099-G for each state from which you received unemployment benefits. If you need a copy of a missing 1099-G or have questions about the 1099-G you received from another state, please contact that state's labor department or unemployment office for assistance. Maine would not have information about benefits paid by, or 1099-Gs sent from, other states.

How do unemployment benefits impact my taxes?

For information on how unemployment benefits impact your taxes, we recommend visiting <https://www.irs.gov/> or consulting with your tax professional.

Example:

This is the "State ID Number" when completing your taxes.

The number in this box is the overall amount of unemployment insurance benefits paid during the year, BEFORE taxes.

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PAYER'S name, street address, city, state, ZIP code, and telephone no. MAINE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR Bureau of Unemployment Compensation 47 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333-0047		1 Unemployment compensation \$0.00	OMB No. 1545-0120 <div style="font-size: 24pt; font-weight: bold; text-align: center;">2021</div> Form 1099-G	Certain Government Payments Copy 2 To be filled with recipient's state income tax return, when required.
PAYER'S federal identification number 01-0371164	RECIPIENT'S identification number XXX-XX-9281	3 Box 2 amount is for tax year 2021	4 Federal income tax withheld \$0.00	
RECIPIENT'S name Firstname Lastname Street address (including apt. no.) 231 TEST STREET, TEST SUITE City, state, and ZIP code SPRINGVALE, ME 04083		5 RTAA payments \$0.00	6 Taxable grants	
Account number (see instructions)		7 Agriculture payments	8 Check if box 2 is trade or business income <input type="checkbox"/>	
9 Market gain		10a State ME	10b State Identification no. 01-0371164	10a State income tax withheld \$0.00