

Treasury Offset Program (TOP)

The Treasury Offset Program (TOP) is a centralized process that intercepts an individual's federal income tax refund on behalf of states that have submitted an offset request to the Department of the Treasury Financial Management Service (FMS) for collection. Offset is withholding funds payable by the United States to a person to satisfy an Unemployment Compensation (UC) debt owed to a state due to the following reasons:

- Overpayments caused by fraudulent reporting
- Overpayments made due to under reported earnings
- Uncollected employer tax contributions
- Associated penalties and interest if the debt is due to failure to report earnings or delinquent contributions

Following is a list of states that are participating in the TOP program.

State	TOP Participant?	ITD Collections*	State	TOP Participant?	ITD Collections*
Alabama	Yes	\$3.6	Montana	No	
Alaska	No		Nebraska	No	
Arizona	Yes	\$5.2	Nevada	No	
Arkansas	Yes	\$0.2	New Hampshire	Yes	<\$0.1
California	No		New Jersey	No	
Colorado	No		New Mexico	No	
Connecticut	Yes	\$1.0	New York	Yes	\$29.6
Delaware	No		North Carolina	No	
District of Columbia	Yes	\$0.3	North Dakota	No	
Florida	No		Ohio	No	
Georgia	Yes	\$0.1	Oklahoma	No	
Hawaii	No		Oregon	No	
Idaho	No		Pennsylvania	Yes	\$9.5
Illinois	Yes	\$35.2	Rhode Island	No	
Indiana	No		South Carolina	No	
Iowa	No		South Dakota	Yes	0.1
Kansas	No		Tennessee	Yes	0.1
Kentucky	No		Texas	No	
Louisiana	Yes	\$0.1	Utah	No	
Maine	No		Vermont	No	
Maryland	Yes	\$16.3	Virginia	No	
Massachusetts	No		Washington	No	
Michigan	Yes	\$5.5	West Virginia	Yes	0.2
Minnesota	Yes	<\$0.1	Wisconsin	Yes	\$11.6
Mississippi	Yes	\$14.5	Wyoming	No	
Missouri	No		Total All States		\$133.1

ITD = Inception to Date. State UI programs were authorized to participate in TOP beginning 2011.

* in millions

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