### Unemployment Insurance Online Information and Postage Savings



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## Background

The division reviewed why they were sending out forms that customers could access through the online UI portal.



# **Problem Statement**

UI was sending out forms to individuals who already had an account online. Sending out the forms to everyone was not cost-effective or efficient.

### Outcome

UI enacted several changes to reduce postage and improve customer service using a "Just do it" approach. The strategies related to providing tax information online:

- The claimant tax document (1099) is available on-line. This year, DWD made it easier to print from the internet.
- The UI communications team created an email alert to let claimants know immediately when the tax documents were posted.
- Mailing of statements to employers whose only transaction was a payment was eliminated. Employers were encouraged to look for their statements on-line. In six months, UI has saved \$85,000 in postage and expects to save \$170,000 annually

### Results

Metric Name	Before	After	Improvement	% Improved
Annual hours required				
Cumulative lead time in days				
Annual cost in dollars	\$441,000	\$271,000	\$170,000	39
Number of steps in process				
Average process lead time				
Percentage who are satisfied				
Average stakeholder satisfaction				