



# Un-Employment Compensation for Ex-Servicemembers (UCX)

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## Unemployment Insurance Background

- The government requires employers to buy unemployment insurance for their employees. This insurance provides a cushion for employees who lose their jobs.
- It's insurance, not a handout.
- Your employer (Military) paid for this insurance, so don't be embarrassed about signing up.

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## Unemployment Insurance Purpose

The Unemployment Compensation for Ex-Servicemembers (UCX) program provides benefits for eligible ex-military personnel. The program is administered by the States as agents of the Federal government.

- If you were on **active duty** with a branch of the U.S. military, you may be entitled to benefits based on that service.
- You must have been separated under **honorable** conditions.

There is no payroll deduction from the service member's wages for unemployment insurance protection. Benefits are paid for by the various branches of the military.

**Receiving separation pay may also influence your receipt of unemployment compensation. (Retirees will almost certainly receive a lesser amount [or no amount] since the weekly amount of retirement pay is usually "offset" against the amount of unemployment compensation.)**

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## Unemployment Insurance Benefits

Should a separating service member apply for compensation, the law of the State **under which the claim is filed** determines:

- benefit amounts
- number of weeks benefits can be paid
- other eligibility conditions



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## Unemployment Insurance To File a Claim...

You should contact your State Unemployment Insurance Agency as soon as possible after separation.

- You should have a copy of your separation papers (DD Form-214) available.
- Social Security Number
- Alien registration Number (if applicable)
- Your last date of employment
- Employer's Name and Address (DD Form 214)
- Reason for Separation

In some States, you can now file a claim online or by telephone.



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## Unemployment Insurance To File a Claim...

- Contact a Customer Service Representative at 303-318-9000 or 1-800-388-5515
- or
- Register online at [www.coworkforce.com](http://www.coworkforce.com)