



Multiple Worksite Report (MWR) 20th Anniversary Facts

It's been 20 years since Wisconsin's Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) program and the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) initiated a voluntary survey to collect employment and wage information *where people work!* Did you know that QCEW information is used for many grants, proposals, and program funding methodologies? Disaster recovery funding is one example of how the information is used to assist Wisconsin communities. It is critical to maintain information on employers and wages no matter the employment size.

While the information on single location establishments is readily available, information on multiple worksites relies on the voluntary reporting on the Multiple Worksite Report (MWR). In situations where the information is not provided, many communities show fewer firms, fewer employees, and lower total wages than are in the community and, as a result, may receive reduced funding.

By participating in the MWR process, you and your company are serving as a valued member of the communities you serve. Please consider responding the next time you receive an MWR request.

Wisconsin and the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) continuously pursue reporting options to reduce employer burden, in addition to the paper MWR. Electronic reporting through the EDI Center or via MWRweb now offers employers convenient ways to submit their important data.

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Interesting Wisconsin Facts:

In 2011, quarter 2, there are nearly 160,000 employers in Wisconsin:

- Approximately 4,000 employers report multiple worksite information
 - They represent over 30,000 worksites and
 - More than 1.1 million employees are reported *where they work*
- More than 800 employers do not report multiple worksite information resulting in
 - About 200,000 employees aggregated to a single location and not counted *where they work*