Unemployment Overpayments

Unemployment Insurance Overpayments vs Pandemic Unemployment Assistance Overpayments

Unemployment Insurance Fraud $51 million
Unemployment Insurance Non-Fraud $784 million
Pandemic Unemployment Assistance Fraud $455 million
Pandemic Unemployment Assistance Non-Fraud $4.5 billion

*All Numbers Rounded

Overpayments by Type

Unemployment Insurance Fraud $32 million
Unemployment Insurance Non-Fraud $488 million
Pandemic Unemployment Assistance Fraud $286 million
Pandemic Unemployment Assistance Non-Fraud $2.2 billion

Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation $19 million
Base $296 million

*All Numbers Rounded

Key Terms

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance was created for those who don’t qualify for traditional unemployment benefits. Overpayments for this program are reported monthly.

Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation provided a supplemental weekly payment (originally $600, later reduced to $300) to eligible claimants in all unemployment programs.