

Mass Workforce Issuance

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To: Chief Elected Officials
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cc: WIA State Partners

From: Susan V. Lawler, Director
Division of Career Services

Date: June 2, 2006

Subject: Updated Labor Force Data for Workforce Area LMI Profiles

Purpose: To announce the availability of updates to labor force data that was provided in the *Annual Regional LMI Profiles* published in March 2006.

Background: The Division of Career Services' Economic Analysis Office produces a series of *Annual Regional LMI Profiles* for each of the state's workforce areas that provide labor force and other economic data. This information is used by workforce administrators as they plan for the upcoming fiscal year. The release date for the *Profiles* usually is in advance of regular yearly data updates (re-benchmarking) to the labor force series. Thus, labor force data presented in each area's *Profile* is no longer accurate once the re-benchmarked data have been released.

This communication provides direction on how areas may access the updated quarterly data to replace tables in the *Annual LMI Profiles* on massworkforce.org. The Economic Analysis Office also developed tables displaying re-benchmarked annual average labor force data for calendar years 2004 and 2005.

Action

Required: Local areas are requested to use the updated labor force data posted on massworkforce.org in place of the labor force data printed in the *Annual Regional LMI Profiles*.

Data

Provided: The following tables are provided as Attachments to this Issuance and are also posted in the LMI section on the massworkforce.org website:

Attachment A	<u>Labor Force Estimates by Workforce Area 4th Quarter 2005</u> (Replaces Page 12 in the <i>Annual Regional Profile</i>)
Attachment B	<u>Labor Force Estimates by City And Town Within Workforce Areas 4th Quarter 2005</u> (Replaces Page 13 in the <i>Annual Regional Profile</i>)
Attachment C	<u>Labor Force Estimates by Workforce Area Annual Report for 2005</u>
Attachment D	<u>Labor Force Estimates by Workforce Area Annual Report for 2004</u>
Attachment E	<u>Labor Force Estimates by City And Town Within Workforce Areas Annual Report for 2005</u>
Attachment F	<u>Labor Force Estimates by City And Town Within Workforce Areas Annual Report for 2004</u>

Please note that the most current data also can be obtained from detma.org.

Effective: Immediately

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