

Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC)



We have compiled this list of frequently asked questions about the **Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC)** program to be able to assist you. For more information, please visit our websites: www.getkansasbenefits.gov or www.dol.ks.gov; or follow us on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram.



What is Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC)?

PEUC is a federal extension of benefits for those who have exhausted state unemployment benefits.



How many additional weeks of benefits does PEUC allow?

PEUC is an extension of up to 13 weeks.



How do I apply for PEUC?

Once the program is fully implemented, you will be notified if you are potentially eligible for PEUC. That notification will include details about how to file for PEUC. The announcement will also be made on the news, our social media and our website at www.GetKansasBenefits.gov.



How much does PEUC pay each week?

PEUC will pay the same weekly benefit amount as you received on state unemployment before you started PEUC's 13 weeks.



Are there other limits on who is eligible for PEUC?

Yes. The person must be able to work, be available for work, and must be seeking work just like when drawing state unemployment benefits. However, at this time, the work search has been waived for all claimants in Kansas due to the impacts of COVID-19. This includes claims for PEUC. Additionally, the PEUC program expires in December 2020.



What are the weeks within which I could be paid PEUC?

PEUC is available for up to 13 weeks beginning March 29, 2020, and ending December 26, 2020.



Does FPUC apply to the PEUC program?

Yes. In addition to a weekly benefit under PEUC, you could also receive the additional \$600 for eligible weeks, provided those eligible weeks are between March 29, 2020 and July 25, 2020.



I have not had a claim since 2019, can I get PEUC?

Potentially. As long as you meet the requirements of exhausting state unemployment and otherwise not having a claim for benefits, and your prior claim was filed on or after July 8, 2018, then you may be eligible.



When will PEUC be available in Kansas?

At this time, we estimate that PEUC will be available in late May 2020 in Kansas.