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Highlights of Report Number 04-12-002-03-315, issued to the Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training.

WHY READ THE REPORT

The Office of Inspector General (OIG) conducted a performance audit of the Employment and Training Administration’s (ETA) controls and processes over Unemployment Insurance (UI) administrative costs in the States of Florida and Maine. While the UI program is based on federal law, it is administered by the states under state law. ETA is responsible for setting broad policy for the program, monitoring states’ performance, and ensuring compliance with federal and state laws. To ensure compliance, ETA performs quarterly desk reviews of states’ UI administrative activities and conducts what it refers to as comprehensive reviews of state workforce agencies’ (SWA) administrative systems at least once every three years.

WHY OIG CONDUCTED THE AUDIT

The audit objective was to answer the following question:

Did ETA have adequate controls to ensure States’ UI administrative costs complied with OMB A-87 requirements?

To accomplish our audit, we conducted fieldwork at SWAs in Florida and Maine.

READ THE FULL REPORT

To view the report, including the scope, methodology, and full agency response, go to: http://www.oig.dol.gov/public/reports/oia/2012/04-12-002-03-315.pdf.