

DVWS 1.1: Problems, Fixes, and Workarounds

Benefits Module				
Pop	Problem Description	Potential Effect	What to Do Now	DOL Long-Term Response
3	Totals for group 3.01 are wrong	States could falsely fail validation.	Corrected in Version 1.1.1, released March 17, 2008	Corrected in Version 1.1.1, released March 17, 2008
5	Sample worksheet has incorrect Module 3 Step references for columns 6-12. Steps are incorrectly labeled 15-21 but should be labeled 16-21, 23.		Corrected in Version 1.1.1, released March 17, 2008	Corrected in Version 1.1.1, released March 17, 2008
8	Design accepts only two issue codes for multi-claimant appeals: <i>Labor Dispute</i> and <i>Other</i> . Software rejects as errors Appeals with other issue codes.	If state has many multi-claimant appeals with other issues, Population 8 may fail due to undercount of multi-claimant appeals.	Include counts of multi-claimant appeals with other than <i>Labor Dispute</i> and <i>Other</i> issues in RV Comment field so that NO can adjust Pass/Fail manually.	Software Version 2.0 (expected in October 2008) will accept multclaimant appeals with all issues, and place those coded as <i>VL or MC or A&A or Other</i> into Subpopulations 8.49 – 8.52.
8	DV design puts all Appeals filed by Other (i.e., other than claimant or employer) into subpops 8.54 and 8.55. Because these subpops include appeals with all issue codes, they are excluded from validation counts of appeals by issue.	If state has enough appeals filed by Other, it could fail Population 8 by failing group 8.05.	Include counts of appeals filed by Other in RV Comment field so that NO can adjust Pass/Fail manually.	Software Version 2.0 (expected in October 2008) will include a row for validation counts of Appeals filed by “Other” in Group 8.05. Group 8.05 will include these counts.

Tax Module				
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1	The software is now applying the filter that Activation Process Date (APD) or Reactivation Process Date (RPD) must be \geq Liability Date (LD) for accounts that had Liability Dates on or after 12/01/2002. The date given in Appendix A of the handbook is 12/31/2002. The filter should be applied for liability dates after 12/31/2002.	Some active employer records may be rejected as pending accounts. The number is expected to be quite small.	If number is large enough to cause Pop 1 to fail, state may set APD or RPD = LD for accounts with Liability dates between 12/01/2002 and 12/31/2002. Note number in RV comment box.	Software Version 2.0 (expected in October 2008) will start the filter for accounts liable > 12/31/2002.
1	Sample worksheet contains two incorrect Module 3 Step references. Liability Date refers to Step 4A (Correct: Step 14). RPD refers to Step 4B (Correct: Step 16)	May cause validation errors. In particular, the LD reference is to Initial/Reopen LD, whereas "Met Threshold" Date is correct.	Corrected in Version 1.1.1, released March 17, 2008	Corrected in Version 1.1.1, released March 17, 2008
3	Software rejects as errors New Status Determinations in which state uses a Reactivation Process Date (RPD) to indicate reinstatement of a previously inactivated employer and includes the new Liability Date (LD) but maintains the old Activation Process Date (APD). Record fails edit that APD must be \geq LD designed to prevent establishing pending accounts.	The number of failed records may be large enough to cause Population 3 to fail (as GPRA items, Total and Timely New Determinations have a $\pm 1\%$ tolerance)	Workaround. State may set APD = LD for these transactions. Note number of changed cases in RV Comments box. Note this change in Module 3, Step 15 Comments as FIV guidance.	Software Version 2.0 (expected in October 2008) will include appropriate coding. Appendix A language will be modified to say that LD must be " \leq APD; or RPD if present."
3	New status determinations made in the quarter that liability is attained, have 0 or negative time lapse. The software converts those negative days to an absolute value and parses the record accordingly.	Determinations made on the first day of the third and fourth calendar quarters, which are 92 days long, are given time lapse of 91 days. This puts the records into subpopulation 3.2 instead of 3.1.	Workaround: If number of affected cases would cause a failure, State may recode transaction date to later in quarter. Note number of recoded cases in RV Comment box.	Software Version 2.0 (expected in October 2008) will fix this problem by treating all status determinations made in the quarter of liability as though they had time lapse of 0 days to ensure they are in subpop 3.1.
5	In DV software, Data Type of Employer Account Number field is Integer instead of Character (20) as given in Record Layout.	Audits whose EANs are not all numeric will be rejected by the software as errors.	Corrected in Version 1.1.1, released March 17, 2008	Corrected in Version 1.1.1, released March 17, 2008

