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DOL releases over $137 million to New York	http://www.dol.gov/opa/media/press/eta/eta20090535.htm	Press Release	The U.S. Department of Labor today certified for release $137,580,702 in unemployment insurance (UI) modernization incentive funds to the state of New York. New York qualified for the funds available under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Recovery Act) by allowing workers to use their more recent earnings to be eligible for benefits. New York's approved application will be posted at the department's Employment and Training Administration Web site at http://www.doleta.gov/recovery/. "New York recognizes the importance of having a UI program that meets the needs of the 21st century workforce," said Secretary of Labor	WASHINGTON — The U.S. Department of Labor today certified for release $137,580,702 in unemployment insurance (UI) modernization incentive funds to the state of New York. New York qualified for the funds available under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Recovery Act) by allowing workers to use their more recent earnings to be eligible for benefits. New York's approved application will be posted at the department's Employment and Training Administration Web site at http://www.doleta.gov/recovery/. "New York recognizes the importance of having a UI program that meets the needs of the 21st century workforce," said Secretary of Labor Hilda L. Solis. "By using recent wages when determining eligibility for benefits, in addition to other New York workers, the state is helping those who are relatively new entrants to the workforce and now unemployed. This decision is not only beneficial for workers but is good for the state's economic recovery. With unemployment high and new jobs hard to find, it is essential that all Americans who have worked hard get the help they n The New York Department of Labor can use the funds to pay "Unemployment in New York state is the highest it has been The Recovery Act made a total of $7 billion available in UI mo	05/14/2009 03:29PM	UI funds;New York;unemployment;modernization