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DOL sends $2M to N. Carolina for jobless	http://www.dol.gov/opa/media/press/eta/ETA20090920.htm	Press Release	U.S. Department of Labor announces $2 million grant to provide nearly 1,800 North Carolina workers with health insurance payments. The grant, awarded to North Carolina Department of Commerce, will be used to make "gap filler" payments for unemployed individuals who are receiving Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) benefits and are eligible for the Health Coverage Tax Credit (HCTC) program.	The U.S. Department of Labor today announced a $2,000,000 grant to provide approximately 1,800 jobless workers with partial premium payments for health insurance coverage. "The challenges associated with a job search are enough without worrying about a lack of health insurance if you or a family member fall ill or need medical attention," said Secretary of Labor Hilda L. Solis. "This funding will help eligible North Carolinians pay for health insurance while they seek out new careers that pay family-supporting wages and provide benefits for the long-term." The grant, awarded to North Carolina Department of Commerce, will be used to make "gap filler" payments for unemployed individuals who are receiving Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) benefits and are eligible for the Health Coverage Tax Credit (HCTC) program. Under the program, eligible individuals and their family members can receive 80 percent of premium costs for qualified health insurance programs. "This investment in our state will allow eligible out-of-work North Carolinians to maintain their health insurance," said Ser "This grant will help families concentrate on making the transi	8/13/2009 16:00	health insurance;premiums;North Carolina;jobless;NEG;grant;