

## **August 1, 2025. Updates to the Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics Wage Estimates for the State of Colorado for the July 2025 through June 2026 Wage Year**

The Office of Foreign Labor Certification (OFLC) has updated the latest prevailing wage data from the Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics (OEWS) survey generated by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) for the State of Colorado. The updated wage estimates for all locations in Colorado will be used by OFLC from July 31, 2025, through the end of the current wage year on June 30, 2026.

On July 1, 2025, OFLC began using updated OEWS wage estimates for the wage year from July 2025 through June 2026. As explained in the technical release notes published on June 20, 2025, BLS was unable to provide OEWS wage estimates for the State of Colorado because the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) temporarily suspended publication of industry and substate data for Colorado due to data quality concerns. BLS received corrected QCEW data, but revised OEWS estimates were not available at the beginning of the July 2025 through June 2026 wage year. OFLC had planned to use national wage estimates for all locations in Colorado beginning on July 1, 2025; however, to avoid the potential confusion of using national wage estimates for only a couple of weeks, OFLC decided to pause processing for the small number of prevailing wage requests in Colorado which would have otherwise been processed in July using OEWS wages. BLS informed OFLC that updated OEWS wage data would be available in July 2025. OFLC has resumed and is prioritizing the processing of the paused Colorado prevailing wage requests has resumed now that Colorado-specific wage data is available.

OEWS wage estimates for all locations outside of Colorado remain in effect as of July 1, 2025, and are not impacted by this update.

- [View the Revised Technical Release Notes for the OEWS Update for Wage Year 2025-26 \(see section titled “OEWS Wage Estimates for the State of Colorado” for updated information\)](#)