

## Job Search Assistance Demonstration - Data Summary

The Job Search Assistance Demonstration public use data (1993-98) were compiled by Mathematica Policy Research, Inc. to examine the impact of job search assistance programs on unemployment insurance claimants in Florida and the District of Columbia. The study was conducted from 1995 to 1997 with data coverage from 1993 to 1998. Eligible participants were selected between March 1995 and March 1996 in Florida (June 1995 to June 1996 in DC) and randomly assigned to one of three demonstration services or the control group. Data for each individual were obtained from the state unemployment insurance data systems, participant tracking systems, and a follow-up phone survey of a subset of the demonstration sample in each state (conducted one year after selection into the demonstration). Data from the three sources were combined into one file for each state. The data include quarterly earnings (third quarter 1993 to third quarter 1998 for Florida, first quarter 1994 to third quarter 1998 for DC), demographic information, unemployment benefits received, pre- and post- unemployment job information, and job search assistance services. The data file for Florida contains 18,021 observations and 191 variables, and the data file for the District of Columbia contains 12,056 observations and 193 variables.