Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) is known as the universe file for establishments, employment, and wages.

QCEW data is comprised of employment and wages from unemployment insurance (UI) tax reports augmented by both BLS worksite reports and the Annual Refiling Survey (ARS), which surveys one quarter of all private-sector establishments each year.

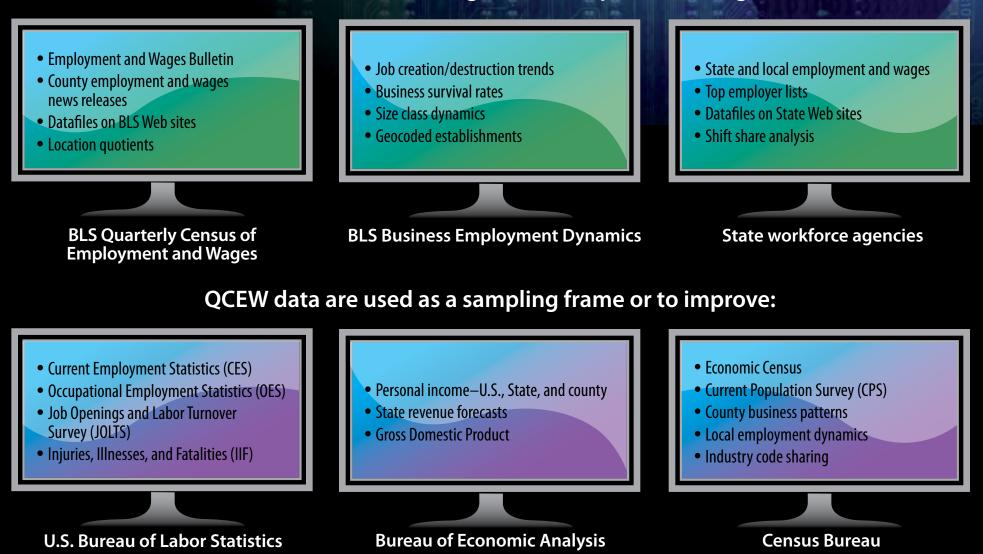
QCEW data is available for nearly 1,200 industries across more than 3,100 U.S. counties and county equivalents.

QCEW data is used as the sample frame by BLS business surveys.



FIGURE 28 Uses of Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) data

QCEW data are used to generate outputs including:



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