

September Webinar

Eligibility Exception Reports

September 24, 2025 Employer Service Center Training



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 - Status checks
 - Opening an employer reporter account
- Employee EligibilityException reports

- Interpreting the results
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Quick reminders

Status checks

When

Every time you are preparing to report a new hire to PERS — whether they are qualifying, non-qualifying, or a retiree hire.

Why

To find out if they are a member, work for other employers, are a PERS retiree, are doing voluntary contributions, and more. The EDX status check does not show the whole picture.

How

By contacting Employer Service Center (ESC) or your representative by email (preferred) or phone.

Include employee's full name, birthdate, and last four digits of Social Security number.

Call Center

Hours

8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Monday to Friday (excluding holidays)

Phone

888-320-7377; select 4 to reach ESC

Representatives

Hours

8:00 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday to Friday (excluding holidays)

Phone numbers and emails

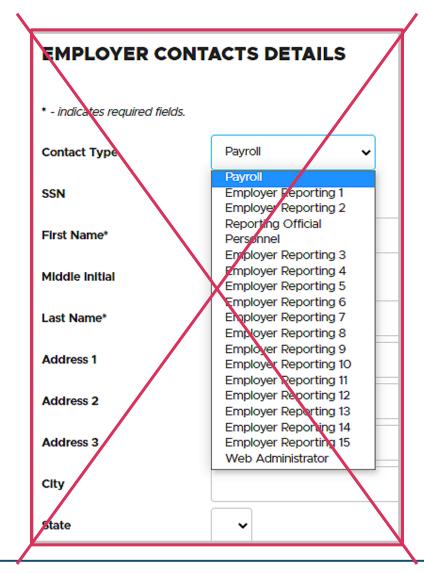
Listed on ESC webpage



Quick remindersEmployer reporter accounts

Web administrators — all new reporters must create their **own accounts** to gain EDX access.

Adding them as a contact only allows them to receive information about the account. It does not give them a reporting account nor access to use EDX.



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Quick remindersEmployer reporter accounts

Open an Employer Reporting Account

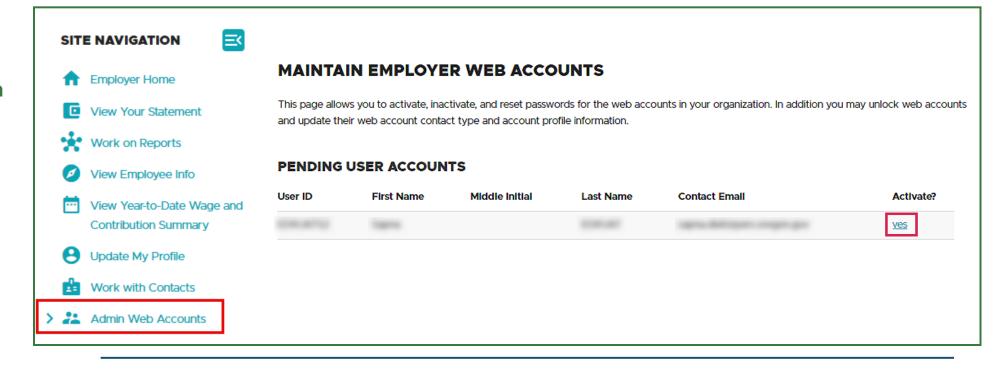
The prospective employer reporter must request an account, then the web administrator activates it.

Instructions on next slide.

Do you need access to PERS Employer Data Exchange (EDX)?

If you would like to open an account to perform PERS EDX reporting activities for your organization, click the link below to start the account request process.







Quick remindersEmployer reporter accounts

How to establish an employer reporting account

Employer reporter

- 1. Go to EDX login page.
- 2. Click Open an Employer Reporting Account.
- 3. Fill in the application.
- 4. Save. Inform your web administrator that you have completed the form and are ready for them to activate your account.

Do you need access to PERS Employer Data Exchange (EDX)?

Last Name

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Contact Email

Open an Employer Reporting Account

Middle Initial

Web administrator

- 1. In EDX, select Admin Web Accounts.
- 2. Activate the employer reporter's account by following steps 3–7 in employer guide 3, Reporter Roles and EDX Access, Part 1 the Web Administrator, section "Managing EDX Access," subsection "Managing Employer Reporter Accounts," "How to Activate an Employer Reporter Account."

User ID

PENDING USER ACCOUNTS

First Name



Activate?

yes

Employee Eligibility Exception reports

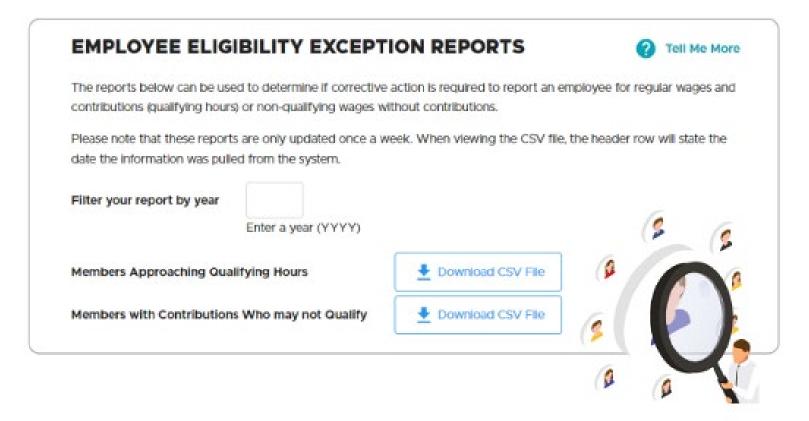
- Two types of reports
- Who runs them and when
- How to run the two types of reports
 - Members Approaching Qualifying Hours
 - Members With Contributions Who May Not Qualify



Eligibility Exception reports

Two types of reports

An eligibility report checks for employees whose eligibility for PERS benefits may have changed because they have worked more or fewer hours than expected that calendar year.





Eligibility Exception reportsTwo types of reports

The **Members Approaching Qualifying Hours** report shows members who:

- Have been reported with a non-qualifying wage code
- Or have three or more qualifying wage codes without contributions during the selected year
- And their net hours are exceeding 550.

The Members with Contributions Who may not Qualify report shows members who:

- Have fewer than 600 hours with all employers in the specified year.
- Have been reported with a qualifying wage code with contributions during the selected year.



Eligibility Exception reports

Who runs them and when

Employer reporters

and

Employer Service Center (ESC) account representatives have the ability to run both reports.

Members Approaching Qualifying Hours report

ESC representatives — every month.

Employer reporters — every month is great. *Most important to start in July and each month through the end of the year.

*Proactively June is even better, if able.



Eligibility Exception reports

Who runs them and when

Error message

If you do not run these reports and a non-qualifying employee is getting close to 600 hours, the wage record that puts them at or over 600 hours may show as suspended with this error message:

Type of error Example message explaining the error

S: Suspended S - Employee has 600 or more hours of service reported in the plan year; wage

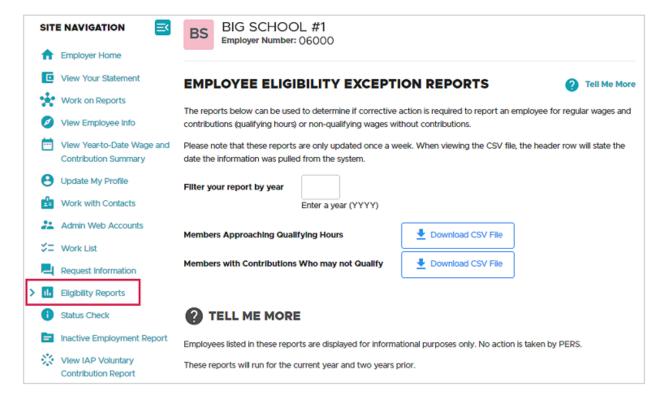
code '02 - Regular/Non-Qualifying' may not be used.



Eligibility Exception reports How to run the two types of reports

Instructions

- **1** Select Eligibility Reports from the main menu.
- 2 Enter the current year in the Filter your report by year box.
- **3** Choose **Download CSV File** for the report type or types that you want.





Interpreting the results

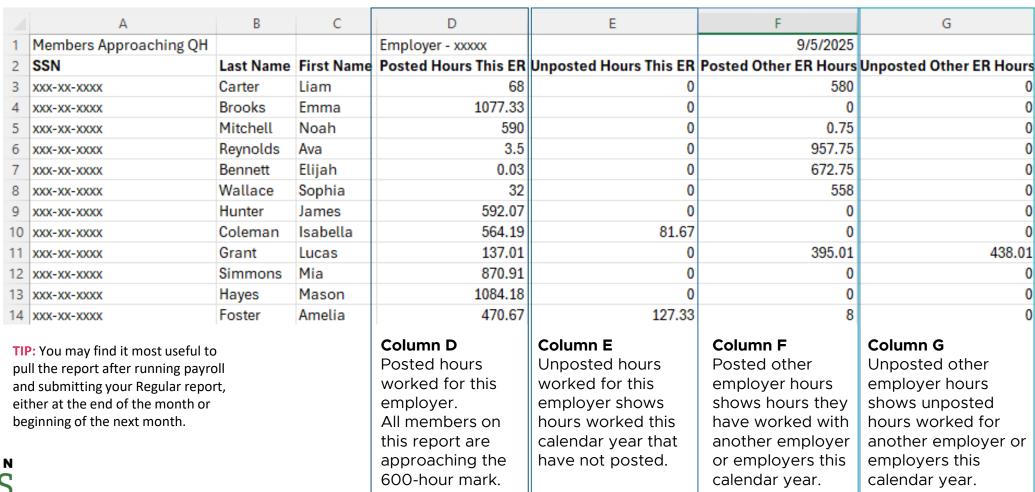
- How to read the report
- Exceeded hours
- Insufficient hours

- Partial-year rules
- Let ESC help



Interpreting the results How to read the report

Members Approaching Qualifying Hours



Fictitious example, not real employees.

Interpreting the results

Exceeded hours

Example 1 — exceeding hours with two employers, posted + unposted hours

The Members Approaching Qualifying Hours report shows that for this year, employee Amelia has:

127.33 unposted hours with her employer (ER).

470.67 posted hours with her ER.

8 posted hours with another ER.

TOTAL: 606

Her total exceeds 600 hours. Amelia is non-qualifying, so her position needs to be changed.

	A	В	С	D	E	F	G
1	Members Approaching QH			Employer - xxxxx		9/5/2025	
2	SSN	Last Name	First Name	Posted Hours This ER	Unposted Hours This ER	Posted Other ER Hours	Unposted Other ER Hours
14	XXX-XX-XXXX	Foster	Amelia	470.67	127.33	8	0



Example 2 — exceeding hours with two employers, no unposted hours but action may still need to be taken.

Employee Liam was hired into a non-qualifying position with one employer (Employer X) to start the year. He worked **68** hours (column D).

Next, Liam was hired by a second employer (Employer Z) into a qualifying position.

Liam had a prior CSD (Contribution Start Date) of 7/1/24 (prior employer)

He worked **580** hours (column F).

TOTAL: 648

The Members Approaching Qualifying Hours report shows that Liam is over the 600 hours, but those hours do not appear in the Unposted Hours This ER column because, in this example, the second employer hired Liam into a qualifying position.

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				Employer X		Employer Z	
	A	В	С	D	E	F	G
1	Members Approaching QH			Employer - xxxxx		9/5/2025	
2	SSN	Last Name	First Name	Posted Hours This ER	Unposted Hours This ER	Posted Other ER Hours	Unposted Other ER Hours
3	XXX-XX-XXXX	Carter	Liam	68	0	580	0



Example 2 continued

Because Liam's CSD was 7/1/24 and he worked 600 hours in the calendar year, Employer X would likely owe contributions retroactively for the year.

If his CSD were not in the past, then Employer X, would not owe contributions retroactively.

ACTION: The first employer will likely owe contributions retroactively if there is a prior CSD which we are using for this example of 7/1/24, and position type would need to be switched to ACTIVE.

NOTE: Remember that when you look at these reports, hours listed can reflect many different scenarios. **These are examples, and each situation is different.**

				Employer X	Employer Z			
	А	В	С	D	Е	F	G	
1	Members Approaching QH			Employer - xxxxx		9/5/2025		
2	SSN	Last Name	First Name	Posted Hours This ER	Unposted Hours This ER	Posted Other ER Hours	Unposted Other ER Hours	
3	XXX-XX-XXXX	Carter	Liam	68	0	580	0	



Example 3 — exceeding hours with one employer

The Members Approaching Qualifying Hours report shows that non-qualifying employee Emma is over the 600-hour threshold.

Contributions may be due on her salary back to her start date or the beginning of the calendar year, whichever is later.

Results might be because of multiple employment segments; for example, being hired non-qualifying, terminated, then hired again as qualifying. System would have allowed wages to post going forward because it is an active segment.

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	А	В	С	D	Е	F	G
1	Members Approaching QH			Employer - xxxxx		9/5/2025	
2	SSN	Last Name	First Name	Posted Hours This ER	Unposted Hours This ER	Posted Other ER Hours	Unposted Other ER Hours
3	xxx-xx-xxxx	Carter	Liam	68	0	580	0
4	XXX-XX-XXXX	Brooks	Emma	1077.33	0	0	0



Example 3 continued

The non-qualifying segment is likely still showing as non-qualifying for the calendar year and needs to be switched to active service.

This could result in a CSD (Contribution Start Date) change (most likely to 07/01/2025) and charges for retroactive contributions.

NOTE: Remember that this is an example of a specific situation; situations vary.

	А	В	С	D	Е	F	G
1	Members Approaching QH			Employer - xxxxx		9/5/2025	
2	SSN	Last Name	First Name	Posted Hours This ER	Unposted Hours This ER	Posted Other ER Hours	Unposted Other ER Hours
3	XXX-XX-XXXX	Carter	Liam	68	0	580	0
4	XXX-XX-XXXX	Brooks	Emma	1077.33	0	0	0



Interpreting the results Insufficient hours

Example 4 — Members with contributions who may not qualify for benefits

The employees listed on this report may not meet the required 600 hours this calendar year.

NOTES: Be aware that some may not reach 600 because of working a **partial year** (covered on next slide). Do not change the position type of these employees.

If any employees do not reach 600 hours for another reason, their position type would be changed to non-qualifying service, and your organization would be repaid the contributions you paid on their wages.

	A	В	С	D	Е	F	G
1	Members with Contributions who may not Qualify Report			Employer - xxxxx		9/5/2025	
2	SSN	Last Name	First Name	Posted Hours This ER	Unposted Hours This ER	Posted Other ER Hours	Unposted Other ER Hours
3	xxx-xx-xxxx	Sam	Smith	503.94	0	0	0
4	XXX-XX-XXXX	April	Blanch	378.5	0	0	0
5	XXX-XX-XXXX	Ester	Wiggins	475.43	0	0	0
6	xxx-xx-xxxx	Blair	Capstone	340.2	0	0	0
7	XXX-XX-XXXX	Dean	Flagstaff	203.51	0	67.48	0
8	XXX-XX-XXXX	Silvia	Gentry	191.39	0	0	0



Interpreting the resultsPartial-year rules

Employees who do not reach 600 hours because of working a partial year

A partial year is one in which an employee works **less than a full year** because of getting hired after the first of the calendar year or terminating before the end of the year. If an employee in a qualifying position does not reach 600 hours because of working a partial year, they are still qualifying that year.

Qualifying employees in this situation will appear on a **Members**With Contributions Who May Not Qualify report.

Therefore, you must verify the situation of each employee on the report to ensure you do not mistakenly change someone's qualification status to non-qualifying service.







Interpreting the results Let ESC help

TIPS

Do not hesitate to reach out and **work together** with ESC (Employer Service Center) on any aspect of these reports.

Ask if you can send all your status changes in **one file** so that you don't have to submit each one individually in a DCR.

Your account representative is here to help. **Request help** by email or phone. For in-depth help, set up a working session.



Changing position type

Submit a Demographic
 Correction Request (DCR)



Changing position typeSubmit a DCR

Only PERS can change an employee's position type.

If a report shows that an employee needs their position type changed to active service or non-qualifying service based on hours worked in the calendar year, **submit a Demographic**Correction Request (DCR) asking PERS to make this change.

If you have a large list, work with your account representative to change several at once.

For DCR instructions, go to <u>employer guide 20</u>, <u>Creating a</u> <u>Demographic Correction Request</u>.





Question-and-answer (Q&A) time



Q&A

How to ask a question

Two options:

- 1. Use the raise-your-hand feature and wait to be called on (preferred).
- 2. Enter your question in the chat.

Employer Service Center representatives are on hand to answer questions.

Important: Do not use employee names or mention any personally identifiable information.



After the webinar: Send questions to your ESC representative or call the ESC Call Center.





Thank you

Employer Service Center contact information

