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QCEW Field Layouts for NAICS-Based, Quarterly CSV Files

This table describes the file layout for NAICS-based, quarterly CSV files. There are four types of quarterly CSV files. There are by-area, by-industry, singlefile, and size files. These files are available from the historical NAICS-Based Data Files Table. The quarterly CSV files have several title fields. These fields, fields #9 through #13, are excluded from the singlefiles.

The table below is available as an Excel workbook (.xlsx), a comma separated values file (.csv), and as a flat, text file (.txt). Click the links below to download.

Related Documentation: QCEW Data Guide; Documentation Guide;

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QCEW CSV Quarterly Files Field Table

Field Number	Field Name	Data Type	Maximum Length	Field Description
1	area_fips	Text	5	5-character FIPS code
2	own_code	Text	1	1-character ownership code
3	industry_code	Text	6	6-character Industry Code (NAICS, SuperSector)
4	agglvl_code	Text	2	2-character aggregation level code
5	size_code	Text	1	1-character size code
6	year	Text	4	4-character year
7	qtr	Text	1	1-character quarter (always A for annual)
8	disclosure_code	Text	1	1-character disclosure code (either ' '(blank) or 'N' not disclosed)
9	area_title	Text	80	Multi-character area title associated with the area's FIPS (Excluded from singlefile)
10	own_title	Text	80	Multi-character ownership title associated with the ownership code (Excluded from singlefile)
11	industry_title	Text	80	Multi-character industry title associated with the industry code (Excluded from singlefile)
12	agglvl_title	Text	80	Multi-character aggregation title associated with the agglvl code (Excluded from singlefile)
13	size_title	Text	80	Multi-character size title associated with the size code (Excluded from singlefile)
14	qtrly_estabs_count	Numeric	8	Count of establishments for a given quarter
15	month1_emplvl	Numeric	9	Employment level for the first month of a given quarter
16	month2_emplvl	Numeric	9	Employment level for the second month of a given quarter
17	month3_emplvl	Numeric	9	Employment level for the third month of a given quarter
18	total_qtrly_wages	Numeric	15	Total wages for a given quarter
19	taxable_qtrly_wages	Numeric	15	Taxable wages for a given quarter
20	qtrly_contributions	Numeric	13	Quarterly contributions for a given quarter
21	avg_wkly_wage	Numeric	8	Average weekly wage for a given quarter
22	lq_disclosure_code	Text	1	1-character location-quotient disclosure code (either ' '(blank) or 'N' not disclosed
23	lq_qtrly_estabs_count	Numeric	8	Location quotient of the quarterly establishment count relative to the U.S. (Rounded to the hundredths place)
24	lq_month1_emplvl	Numeric	8	Location quotient of the emloyment level for the first month of a given quarter relative to the U.S. (Rounded to the hundredths place)
25	lq_month2_emplvl	Numeric	8	Location quotient of the emloyment level for the second month of a given quarter relative to the U.S. (Rounded to the hundredths place)

Field Number	Field Name	Data Type	Maximum Length	Field Description
26	lq_month3_emplvl	Numeric	8	Location quotient of the emloyment level for the third month of a given quarter relative to the U.S. (Rounded to the hundredths place)
27	lq_total_qtrly_wages	Numeric	8	Location quotient of the total wages for a given quarter relative to the U.S. (Rounded to the hundredths place)
28	lq_taxable_qtrly_wages	Numeric	8	Location quotient of the total taxable wages for a given quarter relative to the U.S. (Rounded to the hundredths place)
29	lq_qtrly_contributions	Numeric	8	Location quotient of the total contributions for a given quarter relative to the U.S. (Rounded to the hundredths place)
30	lq_avg_wkly_wage	Numeric	8	Location quotient of the average weekly wage for a given quarter relative to the U.S. (Rounded to the hundredths place)

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