

Times are tough.

Around the region in fiscal year 2009.

Compiled by the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials

	Alaska	Idaho	Montana*	Oregon	Washington	Wyoming
Cut Budgets		✓		✓	✓	
Laid off Workers		✓			✓	
Lost Staff to Attrition	15	4			30	8
Eliminated Programs	✓	✓			✓	
Reduced Services	✓	✓		✓	✓	
Furloughs		✓		✓		
Hiring Freeze	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Delayed Hires	✓	✓	✓		✓	
Travel Restrictions	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
FY10 Budget	Same	Less	Greater	Less	Less	Less

*These responses apply to the Public Health & Safety Division of the Montana Department of Public Health & Human Services, rather than the entire agency. The Public Health & Safety Division includes the state's major public health programs, and is one of 11 Divisions within the agency.

Alaska

Had to eliminate its arthritis program, reduce public health nursing services such as family planning and community outreach, and reduce the frequency of other services.

Idaho

Had to eliminate the chemistry radiation program at state laboratories, eliminate the STD media campaign, and suspend adult cystic fibrosis services after 9 months.

Oregon

Had to reduce services in tobacco prevention and education, and reduce frequency of some other services.

Washington

Had to eliminate the development of an electronic prescription monitoring program and a healthcare adverse event reporting program, as well as reduce technical assistance in the drinking water program; reduce surveillance activities in zoonotic diseases; reduce monitoring of shellfish for *Vibrio parahaemolyticus*; reduce capacity to assess the impact on the public of noninfectious conditions such as cancer, heart disease, and diabetes; and reduce tobacco prevention activities. Most of these reductions were done through reducing frequency or limiting scope.

