

Overview and general explanation of this file

The data contained in this file is for fiscal year 2012, July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2012. Please note that in fiscal year 2012, the State of Minnesota had 27 pay periods vs. the usual 26.

The data is split into three spreadsheets: HR, Earnings, and metadata. Earnings represent the total expenditures on behalf of each individual for all positions from the previous fiscal year. While the Earnings data is summed up by individual, the HR data represents all currently active positions the individual held as of June 30, 2012.

The relationship between HR and Earnings is not always direct, especially when the individual had held or currently hold multiple positions in state service. An individual may have earned their previous year's earnings in a completely different position or set of positions sometimes crossing multiple agencies. Please keep in mind that any number representing earnings is total earnings for all positions from all agencies for the previous year and not

Within the Earnings tab of the file, the dollars included in the salary column represents the total amount expended on behalf of the individual for regular work, vacation, sick, holiday etc. for full time, part time, seasonal and other service for the period between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2012.

This amount does not represent what would appear on their W2 as various types of earnings are taxable and others are not. Plus, the information on their W2 is calendar year data and this file contains fiscal year data. The figure does not necessarily reflect the employee's current or annualized salary.

The metadata sheet explains the fields in the other two spreadsheets.