

National Payroll Week is Coming Soon

The payroll industry celebrates its annual National Payroll Week (NPW) September 1-5, 2003. Founded by the American Payroll Association in 1996, NPW coincides with Labor Day and commemorates the work of the professionals in the payroll industry who ensure that workers are paid accurately and on time every payday. Furthermore, these same professionals are responsible for ensuring that companies remain in compliance and stay up-to-date with the myriad laws and regulations governing the withholding system. The NPW theme, "America works because we're working for America," highlights the contributions of the payroll industry to the nation's economics: Through the payroll withholding system, payroll professionals collect, report and deposit nearly 70 percent of the dollars flowing into the U.S. Treasury. As part of National Payroll Week 2003, the American Payroll Association and its industry partners are asking workers for their input on issues surrounding "Getting Paid In America." What do workers know and understand about paperless payroll options? Do they know that adequate contingency plans are in place to compensate for unforeseen circumstances? Do workers consider biometric technology used for time and attendance an invasion of their privacy? Do workers feel that the personal information stored in employer computer networks is safe and adequately protected? The results of this survey will provide the payroll industry with valuable feedback, a benchmark as to what challenges lie ahead as employers strive to cut costs, increase efficiency, and prepare for all contingencies. Information gleaned from this survey will help the payroll industry find solutions to those challenges. For more information, see www.nationalpayrollweek.com.