§ 14. Offices of the department. The principal office of the department shall be in the city of Albany in rooms designated by the commissioner of general services as provided by law. There shall be a branch office in the city of New York and other branch offices may be established and maintained by the department in such places as the industrial commissioner may determine and for which appropriations are made by the legislature. The industrial commissioner may, with the commissioner of commerce and the commissioner of transportation, develop and institute a procedure for the uniform collection of employment and economic data within the state for use in connection with the scheduling of public works projects.