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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

In the week ending July 24, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 400,000, a decrease of 24,000 from the previous week's revised level. The previous week's level was revised up by 5,000 from 419,000 to 424,000. The 4-week moving average was 394,500, an increase of 8,000 from the previous week's revised average. The previous week's average was revised up by 1,250 from 385,250 to 386,500.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 2.4 percent for the week ending July 17, unchanged from the previous week's unrevised rate. The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending July 17 was 3,269,000, an increase of 7,000 from the previous week's revised level. The previous week's level was revised up 26,000 from 3,236,000 to 3,262,000. The 4-week moving average was 3,290,750, a decrease of 53,750 from the previous week's revised average. This is the lowest level for this average since March 21, 2020 when it was 2,071,750. The previous week's average was revised up by 6,500 from 3,338,000 to 3,344,500.

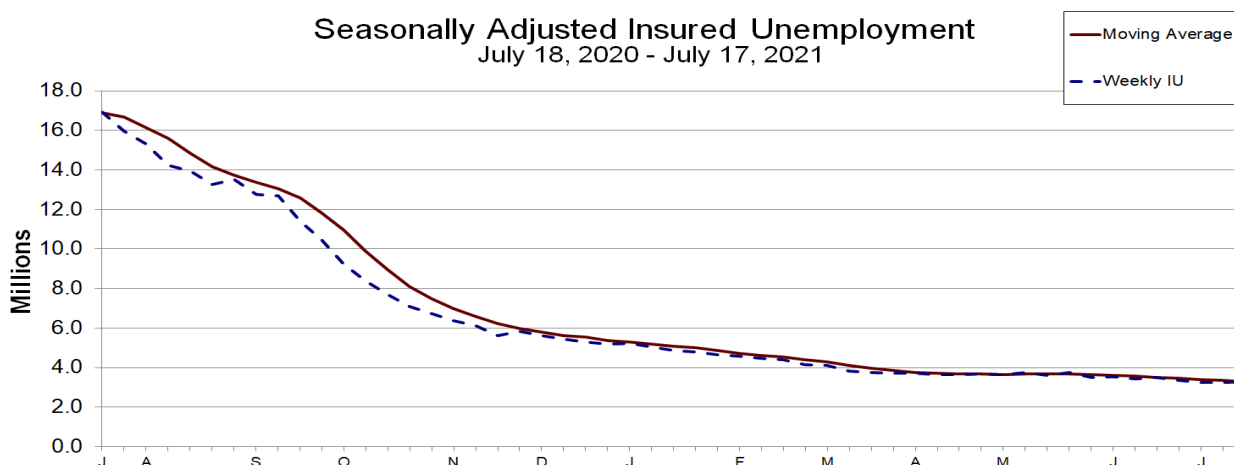
Seasonally Adjusted Initial Claims

July 25, 2020 - July 24, 2021



Seasonally Adjusted Insured Unemployment

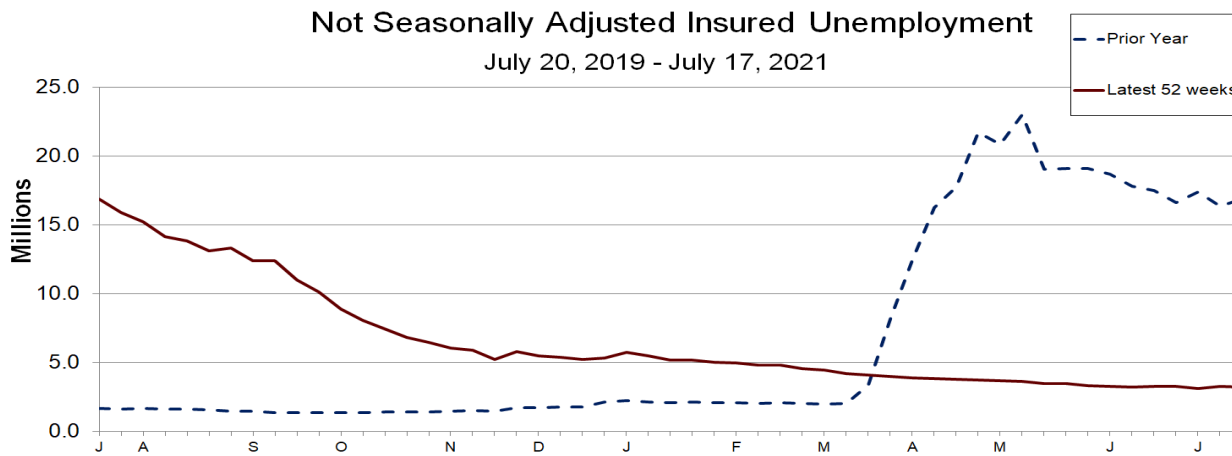
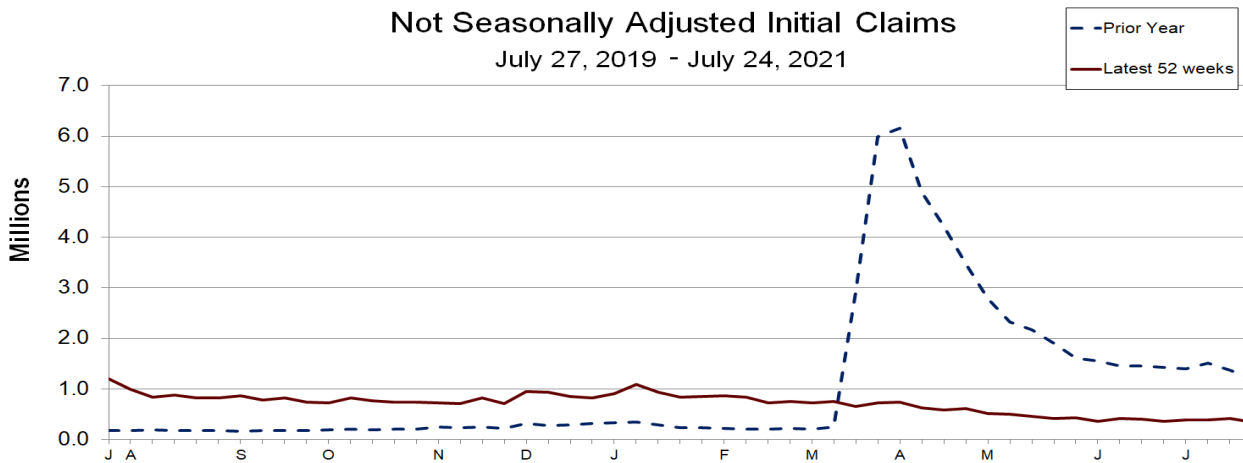
July 18, 2020 - July 17, 2021



UNADJUSTED DATA

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 344,653 in the week ending July 24, a decrease of 66,591 (or -16.2 percent) from the previous week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 41,806 (or -10.2 percent) from the previous week. There were 1,202,278 initial claims in the comparable week in 2020. In addition, for the week ending July 24, 45 states reported 95,166 initial claims for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 2.4 percent during the week ending July 17, unchanged from the prior week. The advance unadjusted level of insured unemployment in state programs totaled 3,247,071, a decrease of 28,428 (or -0.9 percent) from the preceding week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 35,837 (or -1.1 percent) from the previous week. A year earlier the rate was 11.6 percent and the volume was 16,882,632.



The total number of continued weeks claimed for benefits in all programs for the week ending July 10 was 13,156,252, an increase of 582,403 from the previous week. There were 31,898,353 weekly claims filed for benefits in all programs in the comparable week in 2020.

During the week ending July 10, Extended Benefits were available in the following 12 states: Alaska, California, Connecticut, District of Columbia, Illinois, Massachusetts, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Rhode Island, and Texas.

Initial claims for UI benefits filed by former Federal civilian employees totaled 1,080 in the week ending July 17, an increase of 207 from the prior week. There were 661 initial claims filed by newly discharged veterans, an increase of 90 from the preceding week.

There were 10,568 continued weeks claimed filed by former Federal civilian employees the week ending July 10, an increase of 681 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 6,758, an increase of 855 from the prior week.

During the week ending July 10, 47 states reported 5,246,162 continued weekly claims for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance benefits and 46 states reported 4,233,883 continued claims for Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation benefits.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending July 10 were in Puerto Rico (5.2), California (4.4), Nevada (4.3), New Jersey (3.8), Rhode Island (3.8), Illinois (3.7), New York (3.5), Pennsylvania (3.5), Connecticut (3.4), and District of Columbia (3.2).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending July 17 were in Michigan (+13,547), Texas (+10,730), Kentucky (+8,945), Missouri (+6,056), and Illinois (+3,915), while the largest decreases were in New York (-10,727), Puerto Rico (-3,904), Tennessee (-3,510), Oklahoma (-3,393), and Georgia (-1,870).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

WEEK ENDING	July 24	July 17	Change	July 10	Prior Year¹
Initial Claims (SA)	400,000	424,000	-24,000	368,000	1,262,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	344,653	411,244	-66,591	391,574	1,202,278
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	394,500	386,500	+8,000	384,500	1,384,250

WEEK ENDING	July 17	July 10	Change	July 3	Prior Year¹
Insured Unemployment (SA)	3,269,000	3,262,000	+7,000	3,265,000	16,913,000
Insured Unemployment (NSA)	3,247,071	3,275,499	-28,428	3,143,720	16,882,632
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	3,290,750	3,344,500	-53,750	3,382,000	16,872,750
Insured Unemployment Rate (SA) ²	2.4%	2.4%	0.0	2.4%	11.6%
Insured Unemployment Rate (NSA) ²	2.4%	2.4%	0.0	2.3%	11.6%

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	July 24	July 17	Change	July 10	Prior Year¹
Pandemic Unemployment Assistance	95,166	109,868	-14,702	96,287	899,921

WEEK ENDING	July 17	July 10	Change	Prior Year¹
Federal Employees (UCFE)	1,080	873	+207	1,401
Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX)	661	571	+90	1,135

CONTINUED WEEKS CLAIMED FILED FOR UI BENEFITS IN ALL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	July 10	July 3	Change	Prior Year¹
Regular State	3,259,053	3,125,857	+133,196	16,272,966
Federal Employees	10,568	9,887	+681	14,370
Newly Discharged Veterans	6,758	5,903	+855	13,639
Pandemic Unemployment Assistance ³	5,246,162	5,133,938	+112,224	13,995,369
Pandemic Emergency UC ⁴	4,233,883	4,134,716	+99,167	1,092,153
Extended Benefits ⁵	343,475	98,447	+245,028	108,140
State Additional Benefits ⁶	1,199	1,022	+177	2,808
STC / Workshare ⁷	55,154	64,079	-8,925	398,908
TOTAL⁸	13,156,252	12,573,849	+582,403	31,898,353

FOOTNOTES

SA - Seasonally Adjusted Data, NSA - Not Seasonally Adjusted Data Continued weeks claimed represent all weeks of benefits claimed during the week being reported, and do not represent weeks claimed by unique individuals.

1. Prior year is comparable to most recent data.
2. Most recent week used covered employment of 137,027,194 as denominator.
3. Information on the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) program can be found in UIPL 16-20: [PUA Program information](#)
4. Information on the Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) program can be found in Unemployment Insurance Program Letter (UIPL) 17-20: [PEUC Program information](#)
5. Information on the EB program can be found here: [EB Program information](#)
6. Some states maintain additional benefit programs for those claimants who exhaust regular benefits, and when applicable, extended benefits. Information on states that participate, and the extent of benefits paid, can be found starting on page 4-4 of this link: [Extensions and Special Programs PDF](#)
7. Information on STC/Worksharing can be found starting on page 9-10 of the following link: [Extensions and Special Programs PDF](#)
8. Totals include PUA Unemployment for the appropriate corresponding week.

Advance State Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

STATE	Initial Claims Filed During Week Ended July 24			Insured Unemployment For Week Ended July 17		
	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Advance	Prior Wk	Change
Alabama	3,651	4,254	-603	17,307	24,617	-7,310
Alaska	1,642	1,631	11	6,830	7,348	-518
Arizona	3,010	3,578	-568	37,928	42,197	-4,269
Arkansas	1,289	1,917	-628	17,686	19,551	-1,865
California	67,418	56,481	10,937	851,079	716,486	134,593
Colorado	3,955	4,456	-501	37,015	36,692	323
Connecticut	3,248	3,717	-469	51,049	52,611	-1,562
Delaware	589	866	-277	10,838	11,217	-379
District of Columbia	2,305	2,730	-425	16,289	16,967	-678
Florida	9,082	9,970	-888	71,866	95,430	-23,564
Georgia	11,213	12,605	-1,392	94,507	100,259	-5,752
Hawaii	2,801	2,738	63	14,573	13,931	642
Idaho	963	1,163	-200	4,570	5,210	-640
Illinois	18,059	25,919	-7,860	201,950	204,032	-2,082
Indiana	6,764	6,370	394	44,794	54,149	-9,355
Iowa	1,647	1,671	-24	17,888	18,751	-863
Kansas	1,403	1,563	-160	9,837	9,051	786
Kentucky	4,211	11,443	-7,232	23,771	17,753	6,018
Louisiana	3,130	5,492	-2,362	45,103	48,045	-2,942
Maine	984	1,201	-217	8,032	9,449	-1,417
Maryland	4,172	5,532	-1,360	34,588	42,887	-8,299
Massachusetts	6,319	7,186	-867	65,607	72,732	-7,125
Michigan	21,194	21,012	182	74,455	75,267	-812
Minnesota	3,400	4,339	-939	58,479	60,008	-1,529
Mississippi	1,947	2,594	-647	18,824	22,733	-3,909
Missouri	6,007	11,807	-5,800	40,888	43,428	-2,540
Montana	670	775	-105	6,189	6,815	-626
Nebraska	1,431	1,362	69	6,895	8,151	-1,256
Nevada	6,047	3,613	2,434	48,803	53,874	-5,071
New Hampshire	489	616	-127	7,342	8,951	-1,609
New Jersey	11,223	11,109	114	135,205	140,065	-4,860
New Mexico	3,497	4,450	-953	18,374	19,370	-996
New York	18,525	22,546	-4,021	279,230	292,181	-12,951
North Carolina	4,640	5,169	-529	36,296	39,963	-3,667
North Dakota	284	332	-48	2,923	3,203	-280
Ohio	10,172	12,642	-2,470	65,798	69,940	-4,142
Oklahoma	3,074	4,394	-1,320	29,601	37,285	-7,684
Oregon	4,153	4,727	-574	43,816	44,702	-886
Pennsylvania	17,086	38,591	-21,505	160,587	186,335	-25,748
Puerto Rico *	6,916	7,010	-94	41,518	41,952	-434
Rhode Island	2,400	3,971	-1,571	17,103	16,358	745
South Carolina	1,479	2,496	-1,017	35,886	42,714	-6,828
South Dakota	150	195	-45	1,287	1,595	-308
Tennessee	7,586	6,147	1,439	50,944	48,362	2,582
Texas	33,151	45,037	-11,886	190,365	199,928	-9,563
Utah	1,410	1,512	-102	9,142	9,855	-713
Vermont	280	319	-39	5,385	5,470	-85
Virgin Islands	134	182	-48	1,086	618	468
Virginia	6,758	6,304	454	33,977	35,202	-1,225
Washington	4,849	5,356	-507	77,353	71,139	6,214
West Virginia	768	981	-213	11,370	12,213	-843
Wisconsin	6,802	8,843	-2,041	52,577	56,238	-3,661
Wyoming	276	330	-54	2,266	2,219	47
US Total	344,653	411,244	-66,591	3,247,071	3,275,499	-28,428

Note: Advance claims are not directly comparable to claims reported in prior weeks. Advance claims are reported by the state liable for paying the unemployment compensation, whereas previous weeks reported claims reflect claimants by state of residence. In addition, claims reported as "workshare equivalent" in the previous week are added to the advance claims as a proxy for the current week's "workshare equivalent" activity.

*Denotes OUI estimate.

Seasonally Adjusted US Weekly UI Claims (in thousands)

Week Ending	Initial Claims	Change from		Insured Unemployment	Change from		IUR
		Prior Week	4-Week Average		Prior Week	4-Week Average	
July 18, 2020	1,398	-81	1,427.75	16,913	528	16,872.75	11.6
July 25, 2020	1,262	-136	1,384.25	15,964	-949	16,668.75	10.9
August 1, 2020	1,043	-219	1,295.50	15,303	-661	16,141.25	10.5
August 8, 2020	883	-160	1,146.50	14,217	-1,086	15,599.25	9.7
August 15, 2020	920	37	1,027.00	13,948	-269	14,858.00	9.5
August 22, 2020	872	-48	929.50	13,246	-702	14,178.50	9.1
August 29, 2020	875	3	887.50	13,528	282	13,734.75	9.3
September 5, 2020	881	6	887.00	12,755	-773	13,369.25	8.7
September 12, 2020	860	-21	872.00	12,706	-49	13,058.75	8.7
September 19, 2020	860	0	869.00	11,381	-1,325	12,592.50	7.8
September 26, 2020	803	-57	851.00	10,477	-904	11,829.75	7.2
October 3, 2020	782	-21	826.25	9,259	-1,218	10,955.75	6.3
October 10, 2020	833	51	819.50	8,384	-875	9,875.25	5.7
October 17, 2020	798	-35	804.00	7,699	-685	8,954.75	5.3
October 24, 2020	768	-30	795.25	7,076	-623	8,104.50	4.8
October 31, 2020	765	-3	791.00	6,724	-352	7,470.75	4.6
November 7, 2020	728	-37	764.75	6,389	-335	6,972.00	4.4
November 14, 2020	732	4	748.25	6,138	-251	6,581.75	4.2
November 21, 2020	762	30	746.75	5,606	-532	6,214.25	3.8
November 28, 2020	719	-43	735.25	5,829	223	5,990.50	4.0
December 5, 2020	853	134	766.50	5,614	-215	5,796.75	3.8
December 12, 2020	873	20	801.75	5,433	-181	5,620.50	3.7
December 19, 2020	803	-70	812.00	5,311	-122	5,546.75	3.6
December 26, 2020	763	-40	823.00	5,180	-131	5,384.50	3.5
January 2, 2021	781	18	805.00	5,240	60	5,291.00	3.7
January 9, 2021	904	123	812.75	5,061	-179	5,198.00	3.6
January 16, 2021	886	-18	833.50	4,878	-183	5,089.75	3.4
January 23, 2021	836	-50	851.75	4,791	-87	4,992.50	3.4
January 30, 2021	837	1	865.75	4,655	-136	4,846.25	3.3
February 6, 2021	863	26	855.50	4,592	-63	4,729.00	3.2
February 13, 2021	847	-16	845.75	4,469	-123	4,626.75	3.1
February 20, 2021	747	-100	823.50	4,383	-86	4,524.75	3.1
February 27, 2021	761	14	804.50	4,157	-226	4,400.25	2.9
March 6, 2021	734	-27	772.25	4,123	-34	4,283.00	2.9
March 13, 2021	765	31	751.75	3,841	-282	4,126.00	2.7
March 20, 2021	658	-107	729.50	3,753	-88	3,968.50	2.6
March 27, 2021	729	71	721.50	3,717	-36	3,858.50	2.6
April 3, 2021	742	13	723.50	3,708	-9	3,754.75	2.7
April 10, 2021	586	-156	678.75	3,652	-56	3,707.50	2.6
April 17, 2021	566	-20	655.75	3,653	1	3,682.50	2.6
April 24, 2021	590	24	621.00	3,680	27	3,673.25	2.6
May 1, 2021	507	-83	562.25	3,640	-40	3,656.25	2.6
May 8, 2021	478	-29	535.25	3,738	98	3,677.75	2.7
May 15, 2021	444	-34	504.75	3,611	-127	3,667.25	2.6
May 22, 2021	405	-39	458.50	3,769	158	3,689.50	2.7
May 29, 2021	388	-17	428.75	3,517	-252	3,658.75	2.5
June 5, 2021	374	-14	402.75	3,528	11	3,606.25	2.5
June 12, 2021	418	44	396.25	3,412	-116	3,556.50	2.5
June 19, 2021	416	-2	399.00	3,484	72	3,485.25	2.5
June 26, 2021	368	-48	394.00	3,367	-117	3,447.75	2.4
July 3, 2021	386	18	397.00	3,265	-102	3,382.00	2.4
July 10, 2021	368	-18	384.50	3,262	-3	3,344.50	2.4
July 17, 2021	424	56	386.50	3,269	7	3,290.75	2.4

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Pandemic Unemployment Assistance Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

STATE	PUA Initial Claims Filed During Week Ended July 24			PUA Continued Claims For Week Ended Jul 10		
	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Jul 10	Jul 3	Change
Alabama	0	0	0	0	32	-32
Alaska	84	71	13	4,681	5,483	-802
Arizona	610	1,189	-579	68,761	71,285	-2,524
Arkansas	1	1	0	2,355	3,249	-894
California	40,161	41,054	-893	1,482,705	1,226,862	255,843
Colorado	1,119	1,369	-250	23,328	18,466	4,862
Connecticut	146	132	14	25,556	28,795	-3,239
Delaware	20	39	-19	3,231	3,075	156
District of Columbia	28	20	8	14,272	12,984	1,288
Florida	291	291	0	0	0	0
Georgia	319	360	-41	15,554	25,111	-9,557
Hawaii	506	502	4	31,570	32,194	-624
Idaho	7	17	-10	77	135	-58
Illinois	1,048	1,887	-839	225,798	229,821	-4,023
Indiana	2,844	7,598	-4,754	105,810	1,470	104,340
Iowa	79	83	-4	165	156	9
Kansas	166	163	3	7,419	5,652	1,767
Kentucky	914	1,557	-643	13,651	13,847	-196
Louisiana	609	806	-197	93,019	94,219	-1,200
Maine	984	143	841	9,976	9,566	410
Maryland	3,580	3,703	-123	90,227	89,226	1,001
Massachusetts	1,618	1,510	108	199,890	199,780	110
Michigan	1,691	1,859	-168	201,583	373,179	-171,596
Minnesota	0	1	-1	34,704	33,592	1,112
Mississippi	0	0	0	0	0	0
Missouri	0	34	-34	2,593	2,288	305
Montana	156	138	18	2,316	2,538	-222
Nebraska	2	0	2	89	71	18
Nevada	435	369	66	44,098	43,695	403
New Hampshire	30	67	-37	51	30	21
New Jersey	1,083	1,226	-143	310,455	299,749	10,706
New Mexico	14,048	17,697	-3,649	33,823	26,752	7,071
New York	1,092	1,426	-334	952,233	945,395	6,838
North Carolina	1,315	1,315	0	57,273	56,797	476
North Dakota	1	1	0	265	191	74
Ohio	4,204	3,897	307	246,202	219,632	26,570
Oklahoma	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oregon	981	886	95	60,093	62,522	-2,429
Pennsylvania	7,121	10,375	-3,254	463,978	461,864	2,114
Puerto Rico	0	1,216	-1,216	159,957	163,434	-3,477
Rhode Island	4,713	3,222	1,491	31,340	31,173	167
South Carolina	20	21	-1	542	1,358	-816
South Dakota	2	3	-1	37	59	-22
Tennessee	26	23	3	15,766	16,428	-662
Texas	151	177	-26	52,154	131,101	-78,947
Utah	82	103	-21	0	0	0
Vermont	8	6	2	5,963	5,931	32
Virgin Islands	11	16	-5	0	0	0
Virginia	803	929	-126	47,139	49,544	-2,405
Washington	1,371	1,606	-235	86,828	117,477	-30,649
West Virginia	0	0	0	152	242	-90
Wisconsin	686	760	-74	18,470	17,459	1,011
Wyoming	0	0	0	13	29	-16
US Total	95,166	109,868	-14,702	5,246,162	5,133,938	112,224

Note: Information on the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) program can be found in UIPL 16-20: [PUA Program information](#). Backdated claims may be included in these figures.

Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation Continued Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

STATE	PEUC Claims Filed During Weeks Ended:				
	July 10	July 3	Change	June 26	June 19
Alabama	0	111	-111	334	40,655
Alaska	11,379	11,849	-470	12,640	13,588
Arizona	19,691	20,336	-645	22,595	23,531
Arkansas	1,626	2,261	-635	19,755	20,325
California	1,293,511	1,076,363	217,148	1,064,258	1,115,542
Colorado	70,810	67,100	3,710	77,602	73,605
Connecticut	63,715	64,762	-1,047	74,445	75,113
Delaware	7,693	7,534	159	11,455	12,256
District of Columbia	3,246	3,285	-39	3,343	3,552
Florida	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	0	0	0	0	0
Hawaii	22,570	26,673	-4,103	26,620	29,459
Idaho	245	256	-11	373	4,358
Illinois	271,383	267,821	3,562	279,440	276,185
Indiana	83,820	674	83,146	584	59,746
Iowa	5,870	6,910	-1,040	9,887	13,431
Kansas	12,420	12,669	-249	14,948	15,261
Kentucky	30,764	25,392	5,372	27,108	27,651
Louisiana	66,668	66,469	199	66,841	67,225
Maine	14,621	14,499	122	15,024	15,261
Maryland	52,319	51,409	910	57,061	53,456
Massachusetts	188,819	187,765	1,054	192,915	194,588
Michigan	193,431	210,348	-16,917	202,219	219,110
Minnesota	112,938	111,967	971	112,459	187,112
Mississippi	0	0	0	0	0
Missouri	3,012	1,114	1,898	3,011	3,732
Montana	302	608	-306	5,731	6,199
Nebraska	97	148	-51	254	4,737
Nevada	88,306	88,975	-669	91,532	92,647
New Hampshire	822	858	-36	888	3,841
New Jersey	232,577	225,677	6,900	226,282	233,634
New Mexico	29,805	28,904	901	34,235	33,984
New York	723,405	723,533	-128	727,216	735,792
North Carolina	126,921	126,494	427	134,523	136,563
North Dakota	52	87	-35	221	4,759
Ohio	91,095	92,395	-1,300	98,475	102,357
Oklahoma	0	0	0	0	26,653
Oregon	73,812	75,179	-1,367	80,096	81,127
Pennsylvania	230,056	212,236	17,820	243,131	228,800
Puerto Rico	43,755	41,882	1,873	44,451	44,854
Rhode Island	15,870	15,971	-101	16,165	16,233
South Carolina	701	1,946	-1,245	53,568	61,783
South Dakota	195	265	-70	940	998
Tennessee	2,293	45,716	-43,423	49,393	49,581
Texas	11,163	176,213	-165,050	552,877	426,406
Utah	0	0	0	11,735	10,710
Vermont	4,056	4,212	-156	4,891	5,225
Virgin Islands	19	20	-1	26	9
Virginia	6,930	6,772	158	7,165	7,723
Washington	543	463	80	449	1,229
West Virginia	694	860	-166	2,381	15,079
Wisconsin	19,863	27,691	-7,828	28,609	28,632
Wyoming	0	44	-44	208	3,810
US Total	4,233,883	4,134,716	99,167	4,710,359	4,908,107

Note: Information on the Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) program can be found in Unemployment Insurance Program Letter (UIPL) 17-20: [PEUC Program information](#)

Extended Benefits (EB) Continued Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

STATE	EB Claims Filed During Weeks Ended:		
	July 10	July 3	Change
Alabama	0	0	0
Alaska	1	12	-11
Arizona	33	49	-16
Arkansas	15	0	15
California	111,654	44,531	67,123
Colorado	2	4	-2
Connecticut	162	171	-9
Delaware	0	0	0
District of Columbia	4	4	0
Florida	23	50	-27
Georgia	0	0	0
Hawaii	3	2	1
Idaho	0	2	-2
Illinois	5,680	5,675	5
Indiana	15	0	15
Iowa	21	8	13
Kansas	82	45	37
Kentucky	0	0	0
Louisiana	12	1	11
Maine	0	2	-2
Maryland	96	60	36
Massachusetts	1,275	2,887	-1,612
Michigan	4	21	-17
Minnesota	79	7	72
Mississippi	8	4	4
Missouri	17	8	9
Montana	0	0	0
Nebraska	2	3	-1
Nevada	448	566	-118
New Hampshire	4	15	-11
New Jersey	4,595	4,236	359
New Mexico	7	7	0
New York	36,273	37,104	-831
North Carolina	9	17	-8
North Dakota	0	0	0
Ohio	94	76	18
Oklahoma	0	0	0
Oregon	33	64	-31
Pennsylvania	119	93	26
Puerto Rico	427	323	104
Rhode Island	34	80	-46
South Carolina	1	4	-3
South Dakota	0	0	0
Tennessee	1	10	-9
Texas	181,932	1,937	179,995
Utah	0	0	0
Vermont	2	1	1
Virgin Islands	0	27	-27
Virginia	81	66	15
Washington	8	3	5
West Virginia	0	13	-13
Wisconsin	218	258	-40
Wyoming	1	1	0
US Total	343,475	98,447	245,028

Note: Information on the EB program can be found here: [EB Program information](#)

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED DURING WEEK ENDED
JULY 17

INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT FOR WEEK ENDED
JULY 10

STATE NAME	STATE	CHANGE FROM				STATE (%) ²	CHANGE FROM				ALL PROGRAMS EXCLUDING RAILROAD RETIREMENT	
		LAST WEEK	YEAR AGO	UCFE ¹	UCX ¹		LAST WEEK	YEAR AGO	UCFE ¹	UCX ¹		
Alabama	4,254	-1,181	-19,422	25	6	24,617	1.3	-4,509	-81,027	82	27	24,726
Alaska	1,631	-221	-4,975	3	0	7,348	2.6	-371	-34,337	67	16	7,431
Arizona	3,578	-251	-17,863	6	1	42,197	1.5	-228	-187,155	107	71	42,375
Arkansas	1,917	-214	-14,015	3	0	19,551	1.7	1,146	-80,475	64	38	19,653
California	56,481	-444	-233,113	427	280	716,486	4.4	98,542	-1,988,418	2,424	1,839	720,749
Colorado	4,456	-577	-4,075	4	7	36,692	1.4	347	-202,406	134	124	36,950
Connecticut	3,717	-691	-7,950	7	4	52,611	3.4	-452	-197,121	108	51	52,770
Delaware	866	-609	-1,854	3	1	11,217	2.6	1,310	-30,355	34	22	11,273
District of Columbia	2,730	389	-323	18	0	16,967	3.2	437	-56,148	706	5	17,678
Florida	9,970	2,513	-99,006	26	27	95,430	1.1	-4,738	-652,574	267	213	95,910
Georgia	12,605	-1,870	-109,708	29	9	100,259	2.4	-8,007	-602,894	469	214	100,942
Hawaii	2,738	-228	-4,843	2	12	13,931	2.7	757	-116,838	97	82	14,110
Idaho	1,163	-341	-4,524	2	0	5,210	0.7	-297	-22,412	26	11	5,247
Illinois	25,919	3,915	-10,516	21	10	204,032	3.7	735	-451,919	549	156	204,737
Indiana	6,370	-238	-11,541	11	6	54,149	1.9	2,272	-136,705	183	66	54,398
Iowa	1,671	-371	-7,136	6	2	18,751	1.3	130	-97,179	64	21	18,836
Kansas	1,563	-215	-4,722	6	1	9,051	0.7	-97	-68,477	47	16	9,114
Kentucky	11,443	8,945	-13,045	1	0	17,753	1.0	-2,294	-128,072	145	56	17,954
Louisiana	5,492	934	-26,587	6	3	48,045	2.8	-1,185	-265,072	79	18	48,142
Maine	1,201	29	-1,075	0	0	9,449	1.7	394	-51,165	48	14	9,511
Maryland	5,532	-877	-11,710	14	9	42,887	1.9	527	-189,418	264	69	43,220
Massachusetts	7,186	-427	-11,452	13	11	72,732	2.2	-246	-446,479	172	118	73,022
Michigan	21,012	13,547	-3,584	3	4	75,267	1.9	-1,519	-444,388	61	39	75,367
Minnesota	4,339	303	-13,367	6	3	60,008	2.2	30	-254,929	118	85	60,211
Mississippi	2,594	-342	-9,500	4	6	22,733	2.1	-619	-99,953	110	19	22,862
Missouri	11,807	6,056	-525	6	5	43,428	1.7	-513	-133,722	135	32	43,595
Montana	775	-348	-1,960	5	5	6,815	1.5	-139	-29,900	60	8	6,883
Nebraska	1,362	213	-2,627	1	1	8,151	0.9	745	-45,000	12	7	8,170
Nevada	3,613	-404	-11,935	6	2	53,874	4.3	2,249	-252,203	92	74	54,040
New Hampshire	616	-148	-2,903	2	0	8,951	1.5	-1,679	-62,873	17	6	8,974
New Jersey	11,109	157	-14,823	15	15	140,065	3.8	4,489	-336,474	320	263	140,648
New Mexico	4,450	-588	-2,431	6	1	19,370	2.6	290	-78,242	90	46	19,506
New York	22,546	-10,727	-65,856	22	24	292,181	3.5	-9,599	-1,322,690	294	349	292,824
North Carolina	5,169	-186	-24,035	7	3	39,963	0.9	972	-287,400	131	167	40,261
North Dakota	332	-196	-1,583	7	0	3,203	0.8	-123	-22,771	133	2	3,338
Ohio	12,642	2,671	-17,666	10	15	69,940	1.4	-921	-340,326	98	123	70,161
Oklahoma	4,394	-3,393	-5,485	14	5	37,285	2.5	-3,030	-89,849	115	58	37,458
Oregon	4,727	-886	-5,425	17	6	44,702	2.5	-1,251	-151,713	240	77	45,019
Pennsylvania	38,591	2,336	605	49	24	186,335	3.5	19,143	-484,566	436	167	186,938
Puerto Rico	7,010	-3,904	-7	9	1	41,952	5.2	3,760	-169,406	229	41	42,222
Rhode Island	3,971	-287	713	2	1	16,358	3.8	-706	-46,819	40	24	16,422
South Carolina	2,496	-22	-11,811	10	5	42,714	2.1	-3,293	-157,626	73	88	42,875
South Dakota	195	-69	-577	17	0	1,595	0.4	15	-15,005	230	2	1,827
Tennessee	6,147	-3,510	-19,626	9	0	48,362	1.5	-1,436	-211,647	75	14	48,451
Texas	45,037	10,730	-42,871	148	99	199,928	1.7	42,885	-1,047,341	638	1,179	201,745
Utah	1,512	-71	-2,971	13	4	9,855	0.7	-1,114	-58,242	62	15	9,932
Vermont	319	-54	-1,318	0	0	5,470	2.0	-128	-32,935	1	0	5,471
Virgin Islands	182	-23	72	0	0	618	1.7	-1,088	-4,712	0	2	620
Virginia	6,304	352	-31,642	8	8	35,202	1.0	-1,135	-321,896	187	152	35,541
Washington	5,356	-393	-28,005	13	28	71,139	2.2	-4,193	-304,849	189	423	71,751
West Virginia	981	-46	-2,777	2	0	12,213	2.0	60	-53,467	87	18	12,318
Wisconsin	8,843	1,012	-16,286	33	7	56,238	2.1	5,516	-162,368	152	29	56,419
Wyoming	330	-80	-2,334	3	0	2,219	0.9	-62	-11,278	7	2	2,228
Totals	411,244	19,670	-961,995	1,080	661	3,275,499	2.4	131,779	-13,121,236	10,568	6,758	3,292,825

Figures appearing in columns showing over-the-week changes reflect all revisions in data for prior week submitted by state agencies.

1. The Unemployment Compensation program for Federal Employees (UCFE) and the Unemployment Compensation for Ex-servicemembers (UCX) exclude claims filed jointly under other programs to avoid duplication.
2. Rate is not seasonally adjusted. The source of U.S. total covered employment is BLS.

UNADJUSTED INITIAL CLAIMS FOR WEEK ENDED JULY 17, 2021

STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
MI	+13,547	Layoffs in the manufacturing and automobile industries.
TX	+10,730	Layoffs in the transportation and warehousing industry.
KY	+8,945	No comment.
MO	+6,056	Layoffs in the automobile industry.
IL	+3,915	Layoffs in the manufacturing, educational services, and wholesale trade industries.
OH	+2,671	Layoffs in the automobile industry.
FL	+2,513	No comment.
PA	+2,336	No comment.
WI	+1,012	No comment.

STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
NY	-10,727	Fewer layoffs in the transportation and warehousing, educational services, and health care and social assistance industries.
PR	-3,904	No comment.
TN	-3,510	No comment.
OK	-3,393	No comment.
GA	-1,870	Fewer layoffs in the trade, administrative and support and waste management and remediation services, health care and social assistance, and accommodation and food services industries.
AL	-1,181	Fewer layoffs in the administrative and support and waste management and remediation services, retail trade, health care and social assistance, and accommodation and food services industries.

TECHNICAL NOTES

This news release presents the weekly unemployment insurance (UI) claims reported by each state's unemployment insurance program offices. These claims may be used for monitoring workload volume, assessing state program operations and for assessing labor market conditions. States initially report claims directly taken by the state liable for the benefit payments, regardless of where the claimant who filed the claim resided. These are the basis for the advance initial claims and continued claims reported each week. These data come from ETA 538, Advance Weekly Initial and Continued Claims Report. The following week initial claims and continued claims are revised based on a second reporting by states that reflect the claimants by state of residence. These data come from the ETA 539, Weekly Claims and Extended Benefits Trigger Data Report.

A. Initial Claims

An initial claim is a claim filed by an unemployed individual after a separation from an employer. The claimant requests a determination of basic eligibility for the UI program. When an initial claim is filed with a state, certain programmatic activities take place and these result in activity counts including the count of initial claims. The count of U.S. initial claims for unemployment insurance is a leading economic indicator because it is an indication of emerging labor market conditions in the country. However, these are weekly administrative data which are difficult to seasonally adjust, making the series subject to some volatility.

B. Continued Weeks Claimed

A person who has already filed an initial claim and who has experienced a week of unemployment then files a continued claim to claim benefits for that week of unemployment. On a weekly basis, continued claims are also referred to as insured unemployment, as continued claims reflect a good approximation of the current number of insured unemployed workers filing for UI benefits. The count of U.S. continued weeks claimed is also a good indicator of labor market conditions. While continued claims are not a leading indicator (they roughly coincide with economic cycles at their peaks and lag at cycle troughs), they provide confirming evidence of the direction of the U.S. economy.

C. Seasonal Adjustments and Annual Revisions

Over the course of a year, the weekly changes in the levels of initial claims and continued claims undergo regularly occurring fluctuations. These fluctuations may result from seasonal changes in weather, major holidays, the opening and closing of schools, or other similar events. Because these seasonal events follow a more or less regular pattern each year, their influence on the level of a series can be tempered by adjusting for regular seasonal variation. These adjustments make trend and cycle developments easier to spot. At the beginning of each calendar year, the Bureau of Labor Statistics provides the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) with a set of seasonal factors to apply to the unadjusted data during that year. Concurrent with the implementation and release of the new seasonal factors, ETA incorporates revisions to the UI claims historical series caused by updates to the unadjusted data.

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