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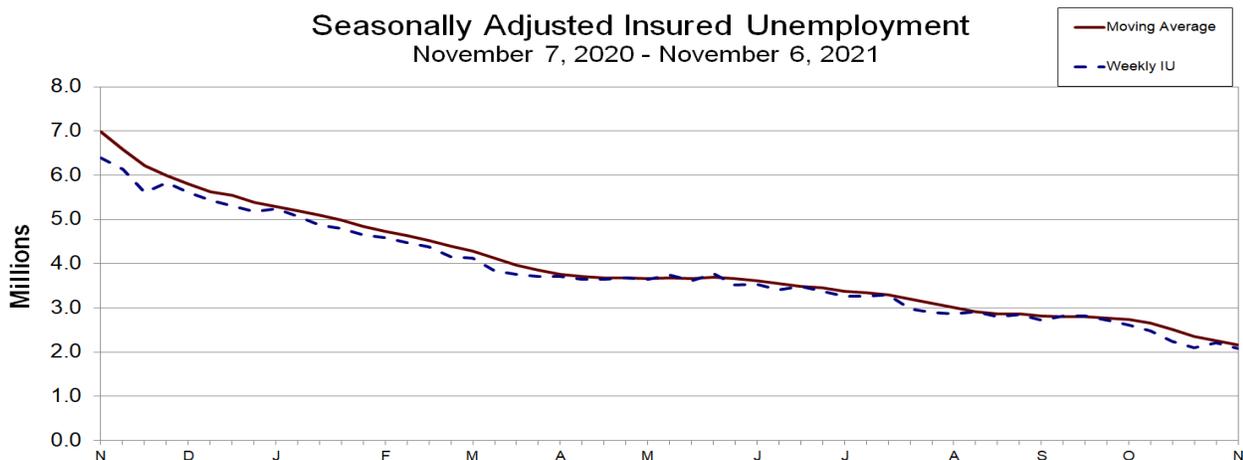
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## UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS

### SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

In the week ending November 13, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 268,000, a decrease of 1,000 from the previous week's revised level. This is the lowest level for initial claims since March 14, 2020 when it was 256,000. The previous week's level was revised up by 2,000 from 267,000 to 269,000. The 4-week moving average was 272,750, a decrease of 5,750 from the previous week's revised average. This is the lowest level for this average since March 14, 2020 when it was 225,500. The previous week's average was revised up by 500 from 278,000 to 278,500.

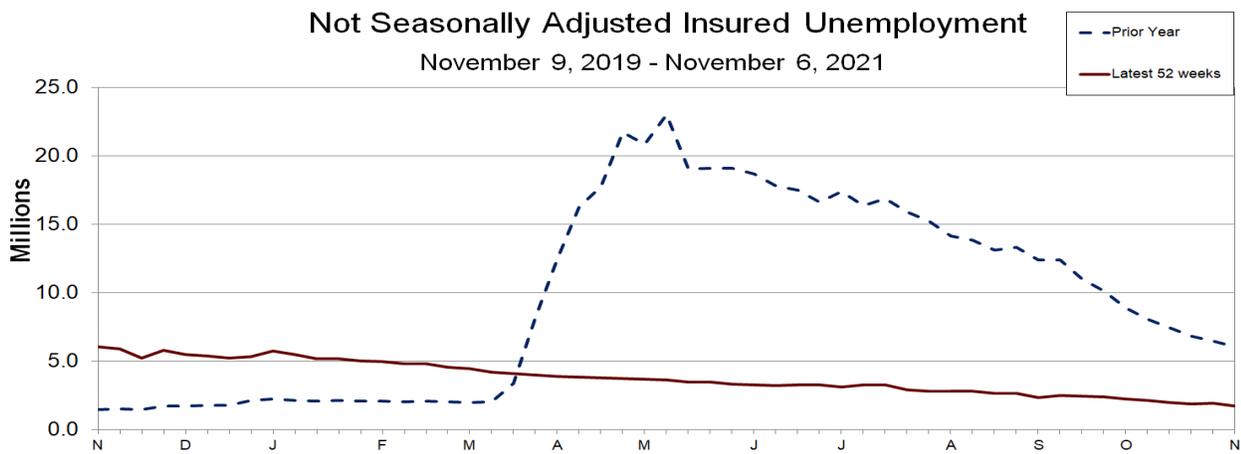
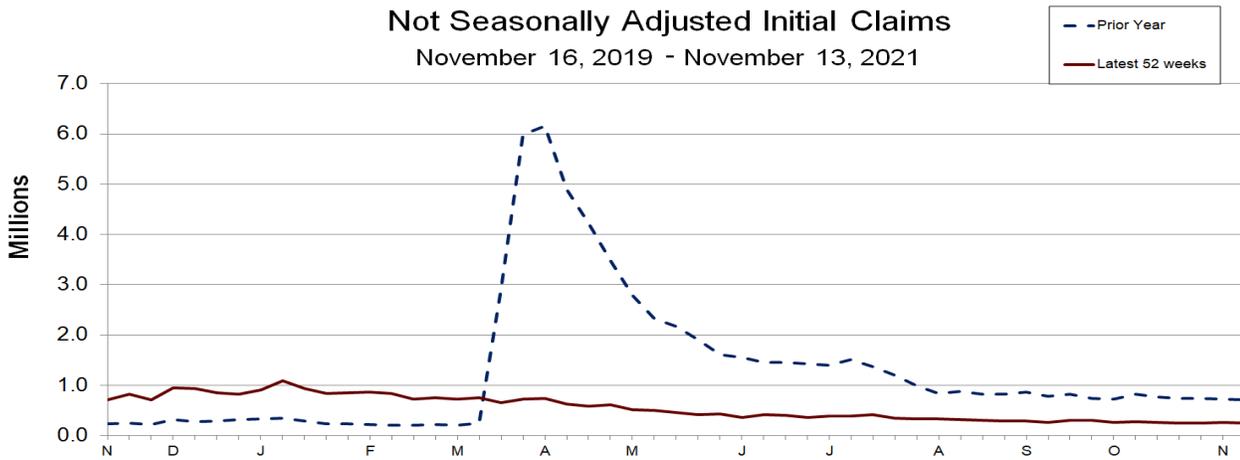
The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 1.5 percent for the week ending November 6, a decrease of 0.1 percentage point from the previous week's unrevised rate. The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending November 6 was 2,080,000, a decrease of 129,000 from the previous week's revised level. This is the lowest level for insured unemployment since March 14, 2020 when it was 1,770,000. The previous week's level was revised up 49,000 from 2,160,000 to 2,209,000. The 4-week moving average was 2,157,250, a decrease of 100,000 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 12,250 from 2,245,000 to 2,257,250.



**UNADJUSTED DATA**

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 238,850 in the week ending November 13, a decrease of 18,183 (or -7.1 percent) from the previous week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 17,068 (or -6.6 percent) from the previous week. There were 709,426 initial claims in the comparable week in 2020. In addition, for the week ending November 13, 36 states reported 1,387 initial claims for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 1.3 percent during the week ending November 6, a decrease of 0.1 percentage point from the prior week. The advance unadjusted level of insured unemployment in state programs totaled 1,754,190, a decrease of 198,717 (or -10.2 percent) from the preceding week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 70,053 (or -3.6 percent) from the previous week. A year earlier the rate was 4.1 percent and the volume was 6,061,961.



The total number of continued weeks claimed for benefits in all programs for the week ending October 30 was 3,184,657, an increase of 618,804 from the previous week. There were 20,815,977 weekly claims filed for benefits in all programs in the comparable week in 2020.

During the week ending October 30, Extended Benefits were available in the following 4 states: Alaska, Connecticut, New Jersey, and New Mexico.

Initial claims for UI benefits filed by former Federal civilian employees totaled 968 in the week ending November 6, a decrease of 122 from the prior week. There were 435 initial claims filed by newly discharged veterans, an increase of 20 from the preceding week.

There were 8,023 continued weeks claimed filed by former Federal civilian employees the week ending October 30, an increase of 96 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 5,001, a decrease of 46 from the prior week.

During the week ending October 30, 41 states reported 791,060 continued weekly claims for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance benefits and 43 states reported 272,974 continued claims for Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation benefits.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending October 30 were in District of Columbia (3.5), Puerto Rico (3.5), California (3.0), Alaska (2.5), Hawaii (2.5), Illinois (2.5), New Jersey (2.4), Nevada (2.2), the Virgin Islands (2.2), and Oregon (1.9).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending November 6 were in Kentucky (+6,716), Ohio (+3,846), Tennessee (+2,411), Illinois (+1,893), and Michigan (+1,564), while the largest decreases were in California (-4,222), District of Columbia (-1,794), and Louisiana (-1,028).

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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

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<b>WEEK ENDING</b>	<b>November 13</b>	<b>November 6</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>October 30</b>	<b>Prior Year<sup>1</sup></b>
Initial Claims (SA)	268,000	269,000	-1,000	271,000	732,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	238,850	257,033	-18,183	241,719	709,426
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	272,750	278,500	-5,750	285,250	748,250

<b>WEEK ENDING</b>	<b>November 6</b>	<b>October 30</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>October 23</b>	<b>Prior Year<sup>1</sup></b>
Insured Unemployment (SA)	2,080,000	2,209,000	-129,000	2,101,000	6,389,000
Insured Unemployment (NSA)	1,754,190	1,952,907	-198,717	1,884,992	6,061,961
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	2,157,250	2,257,250	-100,000	2,355,750	6,972,000
Insured Unemployment Rate (SA) <sup>2</sup>	1.5%	1.6%	-0.1	1.6%	4.4%
Insured Unemployment Rate (NSA) <sup>2</sup>	1.3%	1.4%	-0.1	1.4%	4.1%

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INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

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<b>WEEK ENDING</b>	<b>November 13</b>	<b>November 6</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>October 30</b>	<b>Prior Year<sup>1</sup></b>
Pandemic Unemployment Assistance	1,387	1,863	-476	2,200	292,438

<b>WEEK ENDING</b>	<b>November 6</b>	<b>October 30</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Prior Year<sup>1</sup></b>
Federal Employees (UCFE)	968	1,090	-122	2,558
Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX)	435	415	+20	902

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

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<b>WEEK ENDING</b>	<b>October 30</b>	<b>October 23</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Prior Year<sup>1</sup></b>
Regular State	1,946,287	1,878,195	+68,092	6,417,421
Federal Employees	8,023	7,927	+96	13,514
Newly Discharged Veterans	5,001	5,047	-46	11,879
Pandemic Unemployment Assistance <sup>3</sup>	791,060	253,593	+537,467	8,882,741
Pandemic Emergency UC <sup>4</sup>	272,974	256,496	+16,478	4,707,851
Extended Benefits <sup>5</sup>	136,208	140,150	-3,942	635,470
State Additional Benefits <sup>6</sup>	3,172	2,444	+728	2,706
STC / Workshare <sup>7</sup>	21,932	22,001	-69	144,395
<b>TOTAL<sup>8</sup></b>	<b>3,184,657</b>	<b>2,565,853</b>	<b>+618,804</b>	<b>20,815,977</b>

**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 135,015,266 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 November 13			Insured Unemployment For Week Ended November 6		
	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Advance	Prior Wk	Change
Alabama	3,011	3,451	-440	4,221	7,104	-2,883
Alaska	1,708	1,438	270	7,115	7,050	65
Arizona	2,476	2,748	-272	14,568	18,870	-4,302
Arkansas	827	1,450	-623	9,255	13,154	-3,899
California	61,464	55,033	6,431	413,976	481,520	-67,544
Colorado	2,185	2,056	129	22,522	22,365	157
Connecticut	2,562	2,642	-80	22,530	23,788	-1,258
Delaware	635	388	247	4,243	4,112	131
District of Columbia	2,781	3,863	-1,082	13,024	17,963	-4,939
Florida	5,654	6,217	-563	47,907	52,770	-4,863
Georgia	3,835	4,341	-506	32,007	39,798	-7,791
Hawaii	1,556	1,654	-98	10,464	12,537	-2,073
Idaho	1,134	1,120	14	3,049	3,217	-168
Illinois	10,126	10,365	-239	104,874	132,796	-27,922
Indiana	3,881	3,574	307	27,604	28,785	-1,181
Iowa	1,943	2,162	-219	9,113	9,826	-713
Kansas	942	1,053	-111	4,926	5,696	-770
Kentucky	5,243	13,971	-8,728	18,353	13,620	4,733
Louisiana	1,393	1,981	-588	20,309	24,227	-3,918
Maine	862	1,000	-138	4,743	4,888	-145
Maryland	1,931	2,883	-952	25,187	28,701	-3,514
Massachusetts	8,675	6,529	2,146	53,705	55,577	-1,872
Michigan	9,645	12,958	-3,313	43,124	50,760	-7,636
Minnesota	7,203	5,499	1,704	45,561	42,295	3,266
Mississippi	950	1,241	-291	5,190	7,267	-2,077
Missouri	4,340	3,988	352	16,077	19,090	-3,013
Montana	1,181	1,312	-131	4,166	4,249	-83
Nebraska	720	1,309	-589	3,018	3,131	-113
Nevada	2,587	2,327	260	23,601	26,319	-2,718
New Hampshire	390	523	-133	2,348	2,807	-459
New Jersey	6,777	7,344	-567	90,567	88,044	2,523
New Mexico	1,607	1,775	-168	11,392	12,255	-863
New York	13,924	14,476	-552	146,287	151,955	-5,668
North Carolina	4,248	4,127	121	21,616	25,192	-3,576
North Dakota	620	404	216	1,495	1,405	90
Ohio	7,703	11,238	-3,535	38,541	42,454	-3,913
Oklahoma	1,533	2,020	-487	13,124	15,357	-2,233
Oregon	3,906	4,546	-640	33,728	32,851	877
Pennsylvania	9,331	7,425	1,906	94,671	98,866	-4,195
Puerto Rico	678	879	-201	21,267	27,851	-6,584
Rhode Island	546	865	-319	7,528	7,863	-335
South Carolina	1,234	1,311	-77	12,980	13,435	-455
South Dakota	180	242	-62	807	1,015	-208
Tennessee	3,847	7,995	-4,148	20,780	23,347	-2,567
Texas	14,790	16,125	-1,335	114,437	128,851	-14,414
Utah	1,479	1,421	58	5,905	5,783	122
Vermont	430	522	-92	2,370	2,181	189
Virgin Islands	37	86	-49	1,076	756	320
Virginia	430	1,290	-860	14,687	24,922	-10,235
Washington	5,313	6,128	-815	48,821	49,177	-356
West Virginia	793	985	-192	6,951	6,468	483
Wisconsin	7,089	6,140	949	26,496	26,979	-483
Wyoming	515	613	-98	1,884	1,618	266
US Total	238,850	257,033	-18,183	1,754,190	1,952,907	-198,717

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.

## 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	
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	3,296	34	3,297.50	2.4
July 24, 2021	399	-25	394.25	2,980	-316	3,200.75	2.2
July 31, 2021	387	-12	394.50	2,899	-81	3,109.25	2.1
August 7, 2021	377	-10	396.75	2,865	-34	3,010.00	2.1
August 14, 2021	349	-28	378.00	2,908	43	2,913.00	2.1
August 21, 2021	354	5	366.75	2,805	-103	2,869.25	2.0
August 28, 2021	345	-9	356.25	2,852	47	2,857.50	2.1
September 4, 2021	312	-33	340.00	2,715	-137	2,820.00	2.0
September 11, 2021	335	23	336.50	2,820	105	2,798.00	2.1
September 18, 2021	351	16	335.75	2,811	-9	2,799.50	2.1
September 25, 2021	364	13	340.50	2,727	-84	2,768.25	2.0
October 2, 2021	329	-35	344.75	2,603	-124	2,740.25	1.9
October 9, 2021	296	-33	335.00	2,480	-123	2,655.25	1.8
October 16, 2021	291	-5	320.00	2,239	-241	2,512.25	1.7
October 23, 2021	283	-8	299.75	2,101	-138	2,355.75	1.6
October 30, 2021	271	-12	285.25	2,209	108	2,257.25	1.6
November 6, 2021	269	-2	278.50	2,080	-129	2,157.25	1.5
November 13, 2021	268	-1	272.75				

## Pandemic Unemployment Assistance Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

STATE	PUA Initial Claims Filed During Week Ended November 13			PUA Continued Claims For Week Ended Oct 30		
	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Oct 30	Oct 23	Change
Alabama	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alaska	0	0	0	0	6	-6
Arizona	0	1	-1	1,606	2,004	-398
Arkansas	1	3	-2	179	348	-169
California	101	126	-25	706,092	138,085	568,007
Colorado	0	1	-1	482	333	149
Connecticut	19	22	-3	158	249	-91
Delaware	2	0	2	69	106	-37
District of Columbia	12	25	-13	1,996	1,905	91
Florida	0	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	103	138	-35	4,719	5,172	-453
Hawaii	4	0	4	1,267	705	562
Idaho	8	14	-6	11	51	-40
Illinois	2	1	1	0	117	-117
Indiana	168	257	-89	8,146	3,794	4,352
Iowa	28	34	-6	38	33	5
Kansas	0	1	-1	244	367	-123
Kentucky	455	337	118	3,150	3,348	-198
Louisiana	2	7	-5	2	44	-42
Maine	24	27	-3	57	32	25
Maryland	8	16	-8	6,636	6,479	157
Massachusetts	1	0	1	380	4,251	-3,871
Michigan	70	44	26	922	1,106	-184
Minnesota	0	0	0	147	163	-16
Mississippi	0	0	0	3	0	3
Missouri	11	19	-8	1,370	1,489	-119
Montana	5	1	4	71	8	63
Nebraska	0	1	-1	19	5	14
Nevada	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Hampshire	47	77	-30	11	0	11
New Jersey	54	45	9	14,246	16,101	-1,855
New Mexico	1	5	-4	141	235	-94
New York	15	36	-21	6,956	22,508	-15,552
North Carolina	8	3	5	935	1,112	-177
North Dakota	3	0	3	30	28	2
Ohio	10	15	-5	21,513	25,324	-3,811
Oklahoma	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oregon	51	57	-6	1,560	1,323	237
Pennsylvania	3	3	0	3,778	4,671	-893
Puerto Rico	5	3	2	2,111	7,183	-5,072
Rhode Island	7	22	-15	41	215	-174
South Carolina	0	1	-1	37	112	-75
South Dakota	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tennessee	13	41	-28	36	42	-6
Texas	39	36	3	581	656	-75
Utah	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vermont	0	1	-1	0	0	0
Virgin Islands	2	2	0	0	0	0
Virginia	0	173	-173	0	0	0
Washington	99	255	-156	190	1,833	-1,643
West Virginia	0	0	0	34	77	-43
Wisconsin	5	13	-8	1,096	1,971	-875
Wyoming	1	0	1	0	2	-2
US Total	1,387	1,863	-476	791,060	253,593	537,467

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:				
	October 30	October 23	Change	October 16	October 9
Alabama	0	0	0	0	0
Alaska	169	73	96	53	23
Arizona	179	178	1	127	138
Arkansas	257	296	-39	186	201
California	77,331	69,390	7,941	76,286	98,070
Colorado	697	933	-236	1,060	505
Connecticut	187	281	-94	395	365
Delaware	524	376	148	485	441
District of Columbia	30	81	-51	38	88
Florida	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	0	0	0	0	0
Hawaii	680	419	261	486	658
Idaho	0	0	0	4	2
Illinois	958	910	48	1,190	927
Indiana	1,019	418	601	113	209
Iowa	606	599	7	531	624
Kansas	778	676	102	1,485	1,248
Kentucky	1,448	1,456	-8	1,843	1,752
Louisiana	20	82	-62	16	29
Maine	5	42	-37	7	48
Maryland	4,229	3,823	406	4,005	3,994
Massachusetts	381	506	-125	491	459
Michigan	134	140	-6	246	681
Minnesota	365	373	-8	510	563
Mississippi	0	0	0	0	0
Missouri	535	508	27	308	380
Montana	43	6	37	21	14
Nebraska	14	37	-23	8	22
Nevada	0	0	0	0	0
New Hampshire	18	11	7	28	11
New Jersey	21,668	26,111	-4,443	28,797	26,436
New Mexico	35	39	-4	36	18
New York	55,552	60,088	-4,536	63,890	63,601
North Carolina	365	250	115	329	506
North Dakota	0	0	0	26	1
Ohio	1,398	1,510	-112	1,631	1,079
Oklahoma	0	0	0	0	0
Oregon	675	695	-20	689	1,079
Pennsylvania	4,256	5,066	-810	4,906	4,494
Puerto Rico	5,725	6,776	-1,051	7,172	5,534
Rhode Island	90	95	-5	35	78
South Carolina	4	51	-47	23	17
South Dakota	0	0	0	0	0
Tennessee	85	46	39	44	100
Texas	667	797	-130	754	645
Utah	0	0	0	0	0
Vermont	144	290	-146	161	132
Virgin Islands	11	10	1	25	11
Virginia	89,618	71,335	18,283	33,087	26,744
Washington	537	301	236	342	54
West Virginia	216	18	198	55	8
Wisconsin	1,317	1,403	-86	1,747	2,382
Wyoming	4	1	3	13	8
US Total	272,974	256,496	16,478	233,684	244,379

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:		
	October 30	October 23	Change
Alabama	0	0	0
Alaska	2,113	2,161	-48
Arizona	9	11	-2
Arkansas	6	5	1
California	9,100	10,225	-1,125
Colorado	6	7	-1
Connecticut	21,422	21,653	-231
Delaware	4	0	4
District of Columbia	2	2	0
Florida	230	245	-15
Georgia	0	0	0
Hawaii	2	2	0
Idaho	3	4	-1
Illinois	225	267	-42
Indiana	1	1	0
Iowa	3	2	1
Kansas	35	20	15
Kentucky	0	0	0
Louisiana	18	15	3
Maine	6	5	1
Maryland	36	56	-20
Massachusetts	1	1	0
Michigan	9	17	-8
Minnesota	0	0	0
Mississippi	4	7	-3
Missouri	5	0	5
Montana	1	1	0
Nebraska	0	0	0
Nevada	24	24	0
New Hampshire	9	7	2
New Jersey	92,964	95,513	-2,549
New Mexico	7,106	7,006	100
New York	137	149	-12
North Carolina	62	56	6
North Dakota	0	0	0
Ohio	194	165	29
Oklahoma	0	0	0
Oregon	20	13	7
Pennsylvania	201	265	-64
Puerto Rico	255	329	-74
Rhode Island	7	9	-2
South Carolina	0	34	-34
South Dakota	0	0	0
Tennessee	12	15	-3
Texas	1,111	1,030	81
Utah	0	0	0
Vermont	3	3	0
Virgin Islands	1	0	1
Virginia	796	746	50
Washington	3	14	-11
West Virginia	4	4	0
Wisconsin	48	60	-12
Wyoming	10	1	9
US Total	136,208	140,150	-3,942

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

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED DURING WEEK ENDED  
NOVEMBER 6

INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT FOR WEEK ENDED  
OCTOBER 30

STATE NAME	STATE	CHANGE FROM				STATE (%) <sup>2</sup>	CHANGE FROM				ALL PROGRAMS EXCLUDING RAILROAD RETIREMENT	
		LAST WEEK	YEAR AGO	UCFE <sup>1</sup>	UCX <sup>1</sup>		LAST WEEK	YEAR AGO	UCFE <sup>1</sup>	UCX <sup>1</sup>		
Alabama	3,451	-298	-5,313	14	2	7,104	0.4	1,599	-21,318	27	22	7,153
Alaska	1,438	59	-3,107	11	3	7,050	2.5	469	-12,033	118	13	7,181
Arizona	2,748	34	-3,662	12	0	18,870	0.7	35	-84,373	98	37	19,005
Arkansas	1,450	171	-2,222	4	3	13,154	1.1	2,237	-10,895	63	36	13,253
California	55,033	-4,222	-102,740	240	89	481,520	3.0	31,288	-964,816	1,679	1,078	484,277
Colorado	2,056	101	-5,460	10	8	22,365	0.9	-606	-70,002	189	90	22,644
Connecticut	2,642	213	-2,484	11	6	23,788	1.6	378	-66,553	82	37	23,907
Delaware	388	46	-1,134	3	5	4,112	1.0	16	-10,279	11	7	4,130
District of Columbia	3,863	-1,794	2,522	7	0	17,963	3.5	5,245	-17,028	137	2	18,102
Florida	6,217	-285	-25,186	29	26	52,770	0.6	-3,306	-153,030	235	175	53,180
Georgia	4,341	39	-19,486	25	15	39,798	1.0	1,843	-246,000	308	126	40,232
Hawaii	1,654	-47	-2,591	6	8	12,537	2.5	753	-38,847	94	96	12,727
Idaho	1,120	84	-3,910	22	0	3,217	0.4	189	-4,743	55	6	3,278
Illinois	10,365	1,893	-57,016	4	6	132,796	2.5	11,614	-202,166	511	157	133,464
Indiana	3,574	344	-10,537	22	4	28,785	1.0	840	-58,689	117	73	28,975
Iowa	2,162	88	-3,055	10	1	9,826	0.7	972	-25,387	46	16	9,888
Kansas	1,053	2	-9,534	0	0	5,696	0.4	720	-27,435	37	17	5,750
Kentucky	13,971	6,716	9,608	2	2	13,620	0.8	919	-37,158	103	59	13,782
Louisiana	1,981	-1,028	-8,064	3	3	24,227	1.4	-564	-74,708	50	12	24,289
Maine	1,000	194	-1,264	2	1	4,888	0.9	322	-8,029	18	7	4,913
Maryland	2,883	-170	-8,449	13	6	28,701	1.2	-193	-51,400	210	70	28,981
Massachusetts	6,529	628	-36,271	12	6	55,577	1.7	1,350	-167,990	152	70	55,799
Michigan	12,958	1,564	-2,362	7	8	50,760	1.3	5,252	-136,888	49	43	50,852
Minnesota	5,499	705	-6,321	7	1	42,295	1.6	199	-63,489	135	81	42,511
Mississippi	1,241	32	-2,449	2	0	7,267	0.7	405	-31,500	41	11	7,319
Missouri	3,988	720	-3,647	6	1	19,090	0.7	4,063	-31,070	87	24	19,201
Montana	1,312	196	-1,223	74	2	4,249	1.0	645	-10,681	158	7	4,414
Nebraska	1,309	563	-317	2	0	3,131	0.3	-400	-9,361	17	6	3,154
Nevada	2,327	105	-5,229	11	3	26,319	2.2	-197	-79,632	72	51	26,442
New Hampshire	523	69	-1,648	3	0	2,807	0.5	192	-20,640	3	5	2,815
New Jersey	7,344	-660	-13,634	23	11	88,044	2.4	-2,365	-80,795	300	208	88,552
New Mexico	1,775	-441	-2,073	13	1	12,255	1.7	779	-34,058	201	58	12,514
New York	14,476	884	-29,400	26	16	151,955	1.8	608	-331,845	218	283	152,456
North Carolina	4,127	409	-4,164	3	3	25,192	0.6	539	-63,096	70	80	25,342
North Dakota	404	113	-834	1	0	1,405	0.4	130	-5,327	4	0	1,409
Ohio	11,238	3,846	-10,697	12	13	42,454	0.8	3,814	-111,956	90	80	42,624
Oklahoma	2,020	-98	-2,450	12	9	15,357	1.0	-603	-43,900	83	51	15,491
Oregon	4,546	166	101	67	4	32,851	1.9	-1,069	-46,502	340	72	33,263
Pennsylvania	7,425	-918	-15,626	29	10	98,866	1.9	3,825	-270,003	219	72	99,157
Puerto Rico	879	59	28	6	1	27,851	3.5	-2,149	-20,510	201	82	28,134
Rhode Island	865	-249	-1,572	1	3	7,863	1.8	-174	-7,903	74	28	7,965
South Carolina	1,311	185	-2,150	4	5	13,435	0.7	-1,435	-38,881	23	57	13,515
South Dakota	242	30	-326	13	0	1,015	0.3	244	-2,841	14	5	1,034
Tennessee	7,995	2,411	268	9	2	23,347	0.7	1,149	-41,885	52	31	23,430
Texas	16,125	1,019	-17,542	68	112	128,851	1.1	4,161	-399,800	658	1,034	130,543
Utah	1,421	207	-1,179	38	2	5,783	0.4	-24	-9,459	83	13	5,879
Vermont	522	96	-283	0	0	2,181	0.8	37	-9,028	0	0	2,181
Virgin Islands	86	-8	20	0	0	756	2.2	-110	-942	0	0	756
Virginia	1,290	202	-8,619	7	9	24,922	0.7	-6,642	-67,038	132	113	25,167
Washington	6,128	534	-20,418	40	24	49,177	1.6	270	-102,954	224	259	49,660
West Virginia	985	146	-819	1	0	6,468	1.1	215	-14,920	52	18	6,538
Wisconsin	6,140	572	-8,194	9	0	26,979	1.0	346	-67,093	59	19	27,057
Wyoming	613	87	-569	12	1	1,618	0.6	90	-4,015	24	4	1,646
Totals	257,033	15,314	-462,683	968	435	1,952,907	1.4	67,915	-4,510,891	8,023	5,001	1,965,931

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.

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**UNADJUSTED INITIAL CLAIMS FOR WEEK ENDED NOVEMBER 6, 2021**

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**STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000**

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<b>State</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>State Supplied Comment</b>
KY	+6,716	Layoffs in the automobile industry.
OH	+3,846	Layoffs in the automobile industry.
TN	+2,411	Layoffs in the manufacturing, transportation and warehousing, administrative and support and waste management and remediation services, healthcare and social assistance, and retail trade.
IL	+1,893	Layoffs in the construction, other services, and administrative and support and waste management and remediation services industries.
MI	+1,564	Layoffs in the manufacturing industry.
TX	+1,019	Layoff in the healthcare and social assistance industry.

**STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000**

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<b>State</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>State Supplied Comment</b>
CA	-4,222	No comment.
DC	-1,794	No comment.
LA	-1,028	No comment.

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## 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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