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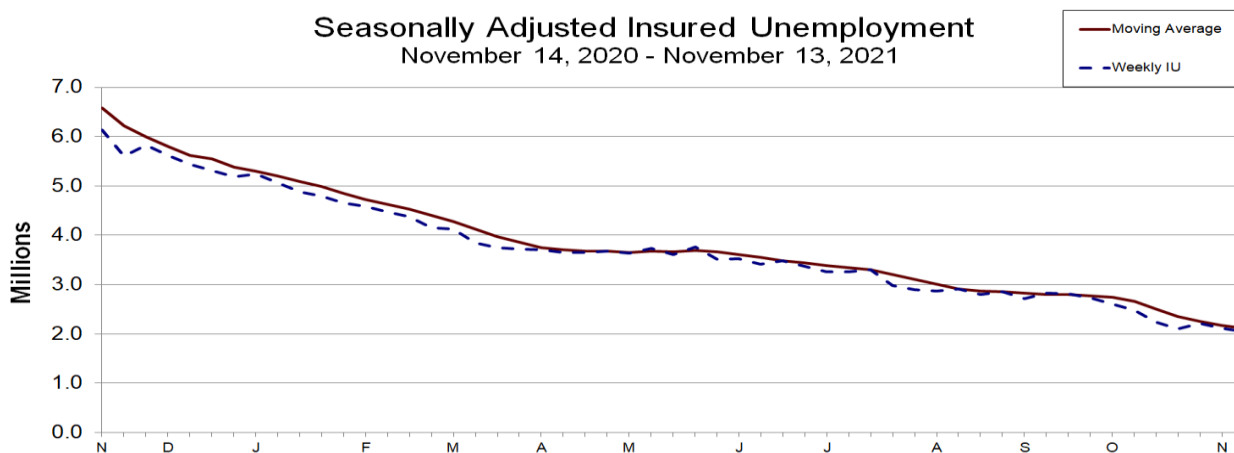
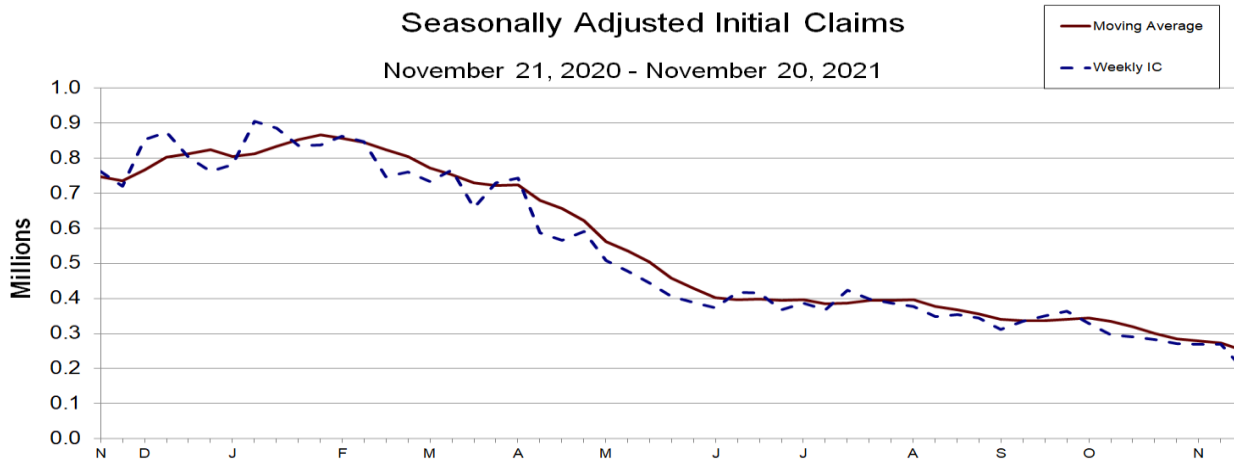
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## UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS

### SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

In the week ending November 20, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 199,000, a decrease of 71,000 from the previous week's revised level. This is the lowest level for initial claims since November 15, 1969 when it was 197,000. The previous week's level was revised up by 2,000 from 268,000 to 270,000. The 4-week moving average was 252,250, a decrease of 21,000 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 272,750 to 273,250.

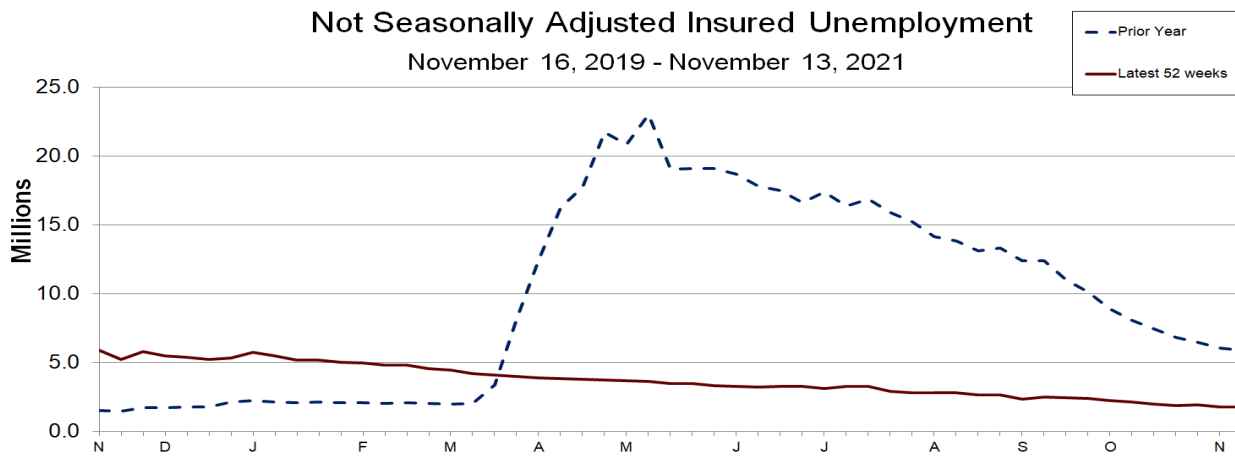
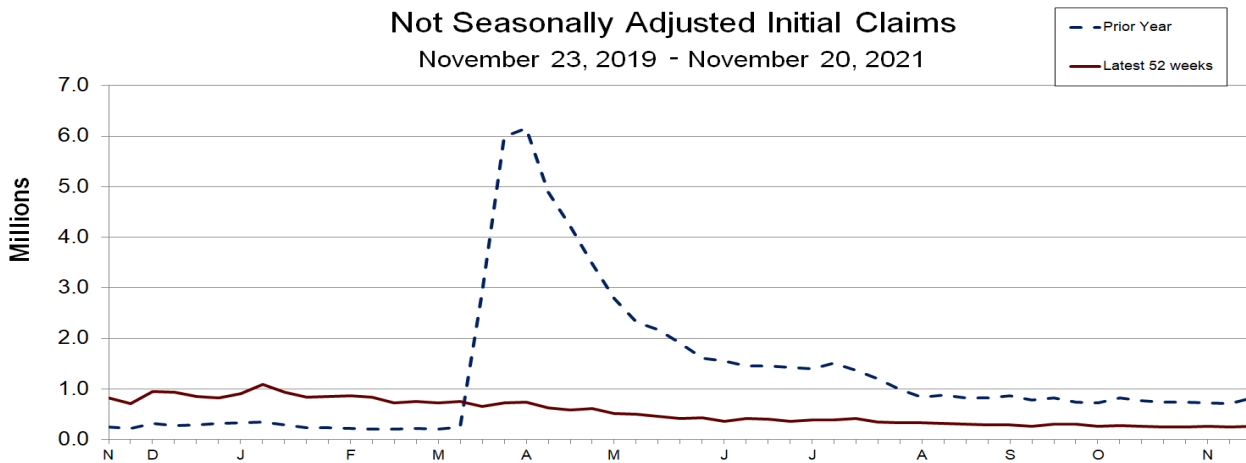
The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 1.5 percent for the week ending November 13, a decrease of 0.1 percentage point from the previous week's revised rate. The previous week's rate was revised up by 0.1 from 1.5 to 1.6 percent. The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending November 13 was 2,049,000, a decrease of 60,000 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 29,000 from 2,080,000 to 2,109,000. The 4-week moving average was 2,117,000, a decrease of 47,500 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 7,250 from 2,157,250 to 2,164,500.



**UNADJUSTED DATA**

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 258,622 in the week ending November 20, an increase of 18,187 (or 7.6 percent) from the previous week. The seasonal factors had expected an increase of 88,572 (or 36.8 percent) from the previous week. There were 828,099 initial claims in the comparable week in 2020. In addition, for the week ending November 20, 32 states reported 1,616 initial claims for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 1.3 percent during the week ending November 13, unchanged from the prior week. The advance unadjusted level of insured unemployment in state programs totaled 1,814,354, an increase of 31,049 (or 1.7 percent) from the preceding week. The seasonal factors had expected an increase of 91,124 (or 5.1 percent) from the previous week. A year earlier the rate was 4.0 percent and the volume was 5,917,233.



The total number of continued weeks claimed for benefits in all programs for the week ending November 6 was 2,432,281, a decrease of 752,390 from the previous week. There were 21,111,266 weekly claims filed for benefits in all programs in the comparable week in 2020.

During the week ending November 6, 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 1,010 in the week ending November 13, an increase of 42 from the prior week. There were 393 initial claims filed by newly discharged veterans, a decrease of 42 from the preceding week.

There were 7,854 continued weeks claimed filed by former Federal civilian employees the week ending November 6, a decrease of 169 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 4,837, a decrease of 164 from the prior week.

During the week ending November 6, 40 states reported 334,750 continued weekly claims for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance benefits and 41 states reported 151,556 continued claims for Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation benefits.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending November 6 were in the Virgin Islands (3.0), Alaska (2.7), District of Columbia (2.7), Puerto Rico (2.7), California (2.6), New Jersey (2.5), Hawaii (2.1), Nevada (2.1), Illinois (1.9), and New York (1.8).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending November 13 were in California (+4,690), Massachusetts (+2,269), Pennsylvania (+1,994), Minnesota (+1,202), and Wisconsin (+907), while the largest decreases were in Kentucky (-8,712), Tennessee (-4,001), Ohio (-3,315), Michigan (-3,230), and Illinois (-1,184).

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**UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS**


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<b>WEEK ENDING</b>	<b>November 20</b>	<b>November 13</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>November 6</b>	<b>Prior Year<sup>1</sup></b>
Initial Claims (SA)	199,000	270,000	-71,000	269,000	762,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	258,622	240,435	+18,187	257,033	828,099
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	252,250	273,250	-21,000	278,500	746,750

<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>
Insured Unemployment (SA)	2,049,000	2,109,000	-60,000	2,209,000	6,138,000
Insured Unemployment (NSA)	1,814,354	1,783,305	+31,049	1,952,921	5,917,233
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	2,117,000	2,164,500	-47,500	2,257,250	6,581,750
Insured Unemployment Rate (SA) <sup>2</sup>	1.5%	1.6%	-0.1	1.6%	4.2%
Insured Unemployment Rate (NSA) <sup>2</sup>	1.3%	1.3%	0.0	1.4%	4.0%

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**INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)**


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<b>WEEK ENDING</b>	<b>November 20</b>	<b>November 13</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>November 6</b>	<b>Prior Year<sup>1</sup></b>
Pandemic Unemployment Assistance	1,616	1,380	+236	1,863	315,423

<b>WEEK ENDING</b>	<b>November 13</b>	<b>November 6</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Prior Year<sup>1</sup></b>
Federal Employees (UCFE)	1,010	968	+42	2,438
Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX)	393	435	-42	761

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


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<b>WEEK ENDING</b>	<b>November 6</b>	<b>October 30</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Prior Year<sup>1</sup></b>
Regular State	1,778,048	1,946,301	-168,253	6,020,069
Federal Employees	7,854	8,023	-169	13,539
Newly Discharged Veterans	4,837	5,001	-164	11,201
Pandemic Unemployment Assistance <sup>3</sup>	334,750	791,060	-456,310	9,449,358
Pandemic Emergency UC <sup>4</sup>	151,556	272,974	-121,418	4,884,324
Extended Benefits <sup>5</sup>	134,116	136,208	-2,092	601,396
State Additional Benefits <sup>6</sup>	2,985	3,172	-187	2,560
STC / Workshare <sup>7</sup>	18,135	21,932	-3,797	128,819
<b>TOTAL<sup>8</sup></b>	<b>2,432,281</b>	<b>3,184,671</b>	<b>-752,390</b>	<b>21,111,266</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 20			Insured Unemployment For Week Ended November 13		
	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Advance	Prior Wk	Change
Alabama	3,706	3,225	481	4,435	6,060	-1,625
Alaska	1,669	1,423	246	7,628	7,361	267
Arizona	2,593	2,588	5	14,176	16,644	-2,468
Arkansas	1,198	1,050	148	9,584	11,143	-1,559
California	53,165	59,723	-6,558	443,075	404,021	39,054
Colorado	2,118	2,175	-57	20,976	22,503	-1,527
Connecticut	2,693	2,567	126	22,767	22,492	275
Delaware	620	397	223	4,387	3,912	475
District of Columbia	1,420	3,079	-1,659	17,744	13,680	4,064
Florida	5,343	6,116	-773	45,882	55,053	-9,171
Georgia	3,909	4,203	-294	31,931	34,758	-2,827
Hawaii	1,550	1,549	1	11,429	10,319	1,110
Idaho	1,274	1,179	95	3,412	3,342	70
Illinois	13,766	9,181	4,585	123,808	105,013	18,795
Indiana	3,795	3,798	-3	26,984	28,405	-1,421
Iowa	3,078	1,811	1,267	9,629	9,197	432
Kansas	899	1,014	-115	5,099	5,301	-202
Kentucky	1,335	5,259	-3,924	13,483	18,516	-5,033
Louisiana	1,628	1,682	-54	18,972	21,926	-2,954
Maine	918	870	48	4,861	4,846	15
Maryland	2,020	2,250	-230	24,405	26,243	-1,838
Massachusetts	7,176	8,798	-1,622	55,376	54,891	485
Michigan	11,880	9,728	2,152	47,175	47,584	-409
Minnesota	8,662	6,701	1,961	50,398	43,847	6,551
Mississippi	937	1,158	-221	5,014	6,249	-1,235
Missouri	2,990	4,627	-1,637	15,949	17,249	-1,300
Montana	1,343	1,247	96	4,853	4,199	654
Nebraska	837	721	116	3,143	3,019	124
Nevada	2,356	2,477	-121	22,065	25,239	-3,174
New Hampshire	430	440	-10	2,356	2,677	-321
New Jersey	8,617	6,933	1,684	89,210	90,179	-969
New Mexico	1,723	1,585	138	11,157	11,653	-496
New York	14,659	14,172	487	144,667	147,802	-3,135
North Carolina	5,607	4,379	1,228	21,589	23,355	-1,766
North Dakota	766	554	212	1,762	1,499	263
Ohio	7,154	7,923	-769	37,754	40,505	-2,751
Oklahoma	2,967	1,828	1,139	13,379	14,478	-1,099
Oregon	4,386	4,210	176	34,188	32,659	1,529
Pennsylvania	10,522	9,419	1,103	106,753	96,762	9,991
Puerto Rico	646	781	-135	20,625	21,802	-1,177
Rhode Island	745	549	196	7,347	7,563	-216
South Carolina	1,260	1,241	19	12,294	12,598	-304
South Dakota	258	222	36	888	899	-11
Tennessee	4,058	3,994	64	19,110	22,743	-3,633
Texas	15,151	15,488	-337	115,968	119,443	-3,475
Utah	1,398	1,479	-81	5,931	5,938	-7
Vermont	526	447	79	2,615	2,270	345
Virgin Islands	21	59	-38	1,192	1,040	152
Virginia	18,123	391	17,732	8,359	13,407	-5,048
Washington	5,794	5,290	504	52,064	45,512	6,552
West Virginia	849	859	-10	7,067	6,748	319
Wisconsin	7,554	7,047	507	27,328	26,995	333
Wyoming	530	549	-19	2,111	1,766	345
US Total	258,622	240,435	18,187	1,814,354	1,783,305	31,049

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 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	2,109	-100	2,164.50	1.6
November 13, 2021	270	1	273.25	2,049	-60	2,117.00	1.5
November 20, 2021	199	-71	252.25				

## Pandemic Unemployment Assistance Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

STATE	PUA Initial Claims Filed During Week Ended November 20			PUA Continued Claims For Week Ended Nov 6		
	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Nov 6	Oct 30	Change
Alabama	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alaska	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arizona	0	0	0	2,057	1,606	451
Arkansas	0	1	-1	69	179	-110
California	128	101	27	255,925	706,092	-450,167
Colorado	1	0	1	387	482	-95
Connecticut	19	19	0	122	158	-36
Delaware	2	2	0	146	69	77
District of Columbia	39	12	27	845	1,996	-1,151
Florida	0	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	100	103	-3	3,866	4,719	-853
Hawaii	3	4	-1	998	1,267	-269
Idaho	4	8	-4	8	11	-3
Illinois	0	2	-2	40	0	40
Indiana	98	168	-70	9,561	8,146	1,415
Iowa	20	28	-8	7	38	-31
Kansas	0	0	0	272	244	28
Kentucky	545	445	100	2,697	3,150	-453
Louisiana	7	2	5	26	2	24
Maine	23	24	-1	43	57	-14
Maryland	16	10	6	6,258	6,636	-378
Massachusetts	0	1	-1	404	380	24
Michigan	39	70	-31	962	922	40
Minnesota	0	0	0	137	147	-10
Mississippi	0	0	0	0	3	-3
Missouri	38	11	27	989	1,370	-381
Montana	1	5	-4	28	71	-43
Nebraska	1	0	1	1	19	-18
Nevada	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Hampshire	46	47	-1	0	11	-11
New Jersey	106	54	52	13,992	14,246	-254
New Mexico	1	2	-1	100	141	-41
New York	25	15	10	5,672	6,956	-1,284
North Carolina	17	8	9	1,275	935	340
North Dakota	0	3	-3	51	30	21
Ohio	19	10	9	19,439	21,513	-2,074
Oklahoma	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oregon	114	51	63	844	1,560	-716
Pennsylvania	4	3	1	2,444	3,778	-1,334
Puerto Rico	2	5	-3	1,810	2,111	-301
Rhode Island	12	7	5	57	41	16
South Carolina	0	0	0	85	37	48
South Dakota	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tennessee	34	13	21	27	36	-9
Texas	73	39	34	599	581	18
Utah	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vermont	0	0	0	0	0	0
Virgin Islands	0	2	-2	0	0	0
Virginia	0	0	0	0	0	0
Washington	76	99	-23	1,382	190	1,192
West Virginia	0	0	0	0	34	-34
Wisconsin	3	5	-2	1,122	1,096	26
Wyoming	0	1	-1	3	0	3
US Total	1,616	1,380	236	334,750	791,060	-456,310

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:				
	November 6	October 30	Change	October 23	October 16
Alabama	0	0	0	0	0
Alaska	36	169	-133	73	53
Arizona	98	179	-81	178	127
Arkansas	92	257	-165	296	186
California	55,268	77,331	-22,063	69,390	76,286
Colorado	772	697	75	933	1,060
Connecticut	252	187	65	281	395
Delaware	452	524	-72	376	485
District of Columbia	28	30	-2	81	38
Florida	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	0	0	0	0	0
Hawaii	330	680	-350	419	486
Idaho	0	0	0	0	4
Illinois	705	958	-253	910	1,190
Indiana	1,327	1,019	308	418	113
Iowa	449	606	-157	599	531
Kansas	566	778	-212	676	1,485
Kentucky	1,099	1,448	-349	1,456	1,843
Louisiana	20	20	0	82	16
Maine	14	5	9	42	7
Maryland	2,584	4,229	-1,645	3,823	4,005
Massachusetts	266	381	-115	506	491
Michigan	110	134	-24	140	246
Minnesota	145	365	-220	373	510
Mississippi	0	0	0	0	0
Missouri	385	535	-150	508	308
Montana	1	43	-42	6	21
Nebraska	2	14	-12	37	8
Nevada	0	0	0	0	0
New Hampshire	4	18	-14	11	28
New Jersey	22,786	21,668	1,118	26,111	28,797
New Mexico	9	35	-26	39	36
New York	52,233	55,552	-3,319	60,088	63,890
North Carolina	376	365	11	250	329
North Dakota	0	0	0	0	26
Ohio	1,082	1,398	-316	1,510	1,631
Oklahoma	0	0	0	0	0
Oregon	693	675	18	695	689
Pennsylvania	3,767	4,256	-489	5,066	4,906
Puerto Rico	3,279	5,725	-2,446	6,776	7,172
Rhode Island	71	90	-19	95	35
South Carolina	8	4	4	51	23
South Dakota	0	0	0	0	0
Tennessee	30	85	-55	46	44
Texas	681	667	14	797	754
Utah	0	0	0	0	0
Vermont	89	144	-55	290	161
Virgin Islands	5	11	-6	10	25
Virginia	0	89,618	-89,618	71,335	33,087
Washington	199	537	-338	301	342
West Virginia	0	216	-216	18	55
Wisconsin	1,235	1,317	-82	1,403	1,747
Wyoming	8	4	4	1	13
US Total	151,556	272,974	-121,418	256,496	233,684

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:		
	November 6	October 30	Change
Alabama	0	0	0
Alaska	1,991	2,113	-122
Arizona	32	9	23
Arkansas	2	6	-4
California	4,777	9,100	-4,323
Colorado	8	6	2
Connecticut	20,654	21,422	-768
Delaware	0	4	-4
District of Columbia	2	2	0
Florida	248	230	18
Georgia	0	0	0
Hawaii	1	2	-1
Idaho	3	3	0
Illinois	123	225	-102
Indiana	0	1	-1
Iowa	2	3	-1
Kansas	2	35	-33
Kentucky	0	0	0
Louisiana	12	18	-6
Maine	6	6	0
Maryland	30	36	-6
Massachusetts	0	1	-1
Michigan	23	9	14
Minnesota	0	0	0
Mississippi	4	4	0
Missouri	3	5	-2
Montana	2	1	1
Nebraska	0	0	0
Nevada	45	24	21
New Hampshire	9	9	0
New Jersey	97,183	92,964	4,219
New Mexico	7,149	7,106	43
New York	53	137	-84
North Carolina	57	62	-5
North Dakota	0	0	0
Ohio	184	194	-10
Oklahoma	0	0	0
Oregon	9	20	-11
Pennsylvania	196	201	-5
Puerto Rico	218	255	-37
Rhode Island	6	7	-1
South Carolina	0	0	0
South Dakota	0	0	0
Tennessee	15	12	3
Texas	755	1,111	-356
Utah	0	0	0
Vermont	3	3	0
Virgin Islands	0	1	-1
Virginia	237	796	-559
Washington	0	3	-3
West Virginia	2	4	-2
Wisconsin	68	48	20
Wyoming	2	10	-8
US Total	134,116	136,208	-2,092

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

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED DURING WEEK ENDED  
NOVEMBER 13

INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT FOR WEEK ENDED  
NOVEMBER 6

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>	UCFE <sup>1</sup>		UCX <sup>1</sup>	LAST WEEK	YEAR AGO	UCFE <sup>1</sup>	UCX <sup>1</sup>	
Alabama	3,225	-226	-6,037	11	7	6,060	0.3	-1,044	-19,196	19	18	6,097	
Alaska	1,423	-15	-3,182	8	2	7,361	2.7	311	-11,971	125	8	7,494	
Arizona	2,588	-160	-3,697	11	0	16,644	0.6	-2,226	-78,520	95	49	16,788	
Arkansas	1,050	-400	-2,434	5	2	11,143	1.0	-2,011	-10,741	46	19	11,208	
California	59,723	4,690	-99,102	228	79	404,021	2.6	-77,499	-984,816	1,527	969	406,517	
Colorado	2,175	119	-7,030	22	9	22,503	0.9	138	-64,282	207	129	22,839	
Connecticut	2,567	-75	-3,017	10	6	22,492	1.5	-1,296	-60,785	71	47	22,610	
Delaware	397	9	-1,111	2	2	3,912	0.9	-200	-9,492	18	15	3,945	
District of Columbia	3,079	-784	1,699	8	0	13,680	2.7	-4,283	-19,194	118	4	13,802	
Florida	6,116	-101	-18,242	19	29	55,053	0.7	2,283	-131,461	233	152	55,438	
Georgia	4,203	-138	-15,423	17	11	34,758	0.8	-5,040	-220,479	249	146	35,153	
Hawaii	1,549	-105	-2,779	3	9	10,319	2.1	-2,232	-33,586	104	113	10,536	
Idaho	1,179	59	-3,881	39	2	3,342	0.5	125	-4,968	69	5	3,416	
Illinois	9,181	-1,184	-37,619	7	4	105,013	1.9	-27,783	-241,561	615	143	105,771	
Indiana	3,798	224	-11,624	5	0	28,405	1.0	-380	-53,533	124	39	28,568	
Iowa	1,811	-351	-4,181	5	5	9,197	0.6	-629	-25,605	44	18	9,259	
Kansas	1,014	-39	-10,737	2	1	5,301	0.4	-395	-25,124	38	16	5,355	
Kentucky	5,259	-8,712	-2,874	0	1	18,516	1.0	4,896	-33,198	42	50	18,608	
Louisiana	1,682	-299	-8,363	4	0	21,926	1.3	-2,301	-69,097	54	21	22,001	
Maine	870	-130	-1,127	4	0	4,846	0.9	-42	-7,152	19	5	4,870	
Maryland	2,250	-633	-9,146	7	6	26,243	1.1	-2,458	-44,416	211	88	26,542	
Massachusetts	8,798	2,269	-43,861	14	12	54,891	1.7	-686	-163,594	117	78	55,086	
Michigan	9,728	-3,230	-6,928	10	4	47,584	1.2	-3,176	-126,719	87	34	47,705	
Minnesota	6,701	1,202	-8,727	12	2	43,847	1.7	1,552	-60,840	135	76	44,058	
Mississippi	1,158	-83	-2,206	0	0	6,249	0.6	-1,018	-28,785	27	12	6,288	
Missouri	4,627	639	-3,721	3	3	17,249	0.7	-1,841	-28,784	72	22	17,343	
Montana	1,247	-65	-1,566	100	1	4,199	0.9	-50	-9,849	217	11	4,427	
Nebraska	721	-588	-1,150	0	0	3,019	0.3	-112	-9,098	14	6	3,039	
Nevada	2,477	150	-4,766	9	2	25,239	2.1	-1,080	-71,633	81	46	25,366	
New Hampshire	440	-83	-1,554	1	0	2,677	0.4	-130	-19,955	6	3	2,686	
New Jersey	6,933	-411	-6,055	22	12	90,179	2.5	2,135	-74,639	322	224	90,725	
New Mexico	1,585	-190	-3,449	22	1	11,653	1.6	-602	-32,730	198	28	11,879	
New York	14,172	-304	-29,219	12	14	147,802	1.8	-4,153	-299,888	230	243	148,275	
North Carolina	4,379	252	-3,270	0	2	23,355	0.6	-1,837	-57,994	69	89	23,513	
North Dakota	554	150	-1,023	3	0	1,499	0.4	94	-5,121	5	0	1,504	
Ohio	7,923	-3,315	-17,080	16	14	40,505	0.8	-1,949	-105,378	76	83	40,664	
Oklahoma	1,828	-192	-2,790	10	3	14,478	1.0	-879	-37,073	84	49	14,611	
Oregon	4,210	-336	-1,578	109	7	32,659	1.8	-192	-43,549	408	66	33,133	
Pennsylvania	9,419	1,994	-13,337	37	14	96,762	1.8	-2,104	-187,148	233	76	97,071	
Puerto Rico	781	-98	-360	3	2	21,802	2.7	-6,049	-25,382	138	125	22,065	
Rhode Island	549	-316	-2,287	4	0	7,563	1.8	-300	-7,382	34	26	7,623	
South Carolina	1,241	-70	-2,045	2	2	12,598	0.6	-837	-36,410	25	57	12,680	
South Dakota	222	-20	-291	12	0	899	0.2	-116	-2,581	17	2	918	
Tennessee	3,994	-4,001	-2,573	10	9	22,743	0.7	-604	-38,220	45	21	22,809	
Texas	15,488	-637	-23,395	48	86	119,443	1.0	-9,408	-378,077	647	998	121,088	
Utah	1,479	58	-1,632	59	4	5,938	0.4	155	-8,674	100	10	6,048	
Vermont	447	-75	-413	1	0	2,270	0.8	89	-8,555	0	0	2,270	
Virgin Islands	59	-27	-22	0	0	1,040	3.0	284	-1,532	0	12	1,052	
Virginia	391	-899	-10,697	0	4	13,407	0.4	-11,515	-71,722	65	90	13,562	
Washington	5,290	-838	-12,352	39	17	45,512	1.5	-3,665	-104,973	237	261	46,010	
West Virginia	859	-126	-1,079	4	0	6,748	1.2	280	-13,854	40	19	6,807	
Wisconsin	7,047	907	-8,558	12	3	26,995	1.0	16	-65,932	77	11	27,083	
Wyoming	549	-64	-391	19	0	1,766	0.7	148	-3,400	20	5	1,791	
Totals	240,435	-16,598	-468,282	1,010	393	1,783,305	1.3	-169,616	-4,278,648	7,854	4,837	1,795,996	

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 13, 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>
CA	+4,690	No comment.
MA	+2,269	No comment.
PA	+1,994	Layoffs in the construction and administrative and support and waste management and remediation services industries.
MN	+1,202	No comment

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

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<b>State</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>State Supplied Comment</b>
KY	-8,712	No comment.
TN	-4,001	No comment.
OH	-3,315	No comment.
MI	-3,230	Fewer layoffs in the automobile industry.
IL	-1,184	No comment.

## 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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