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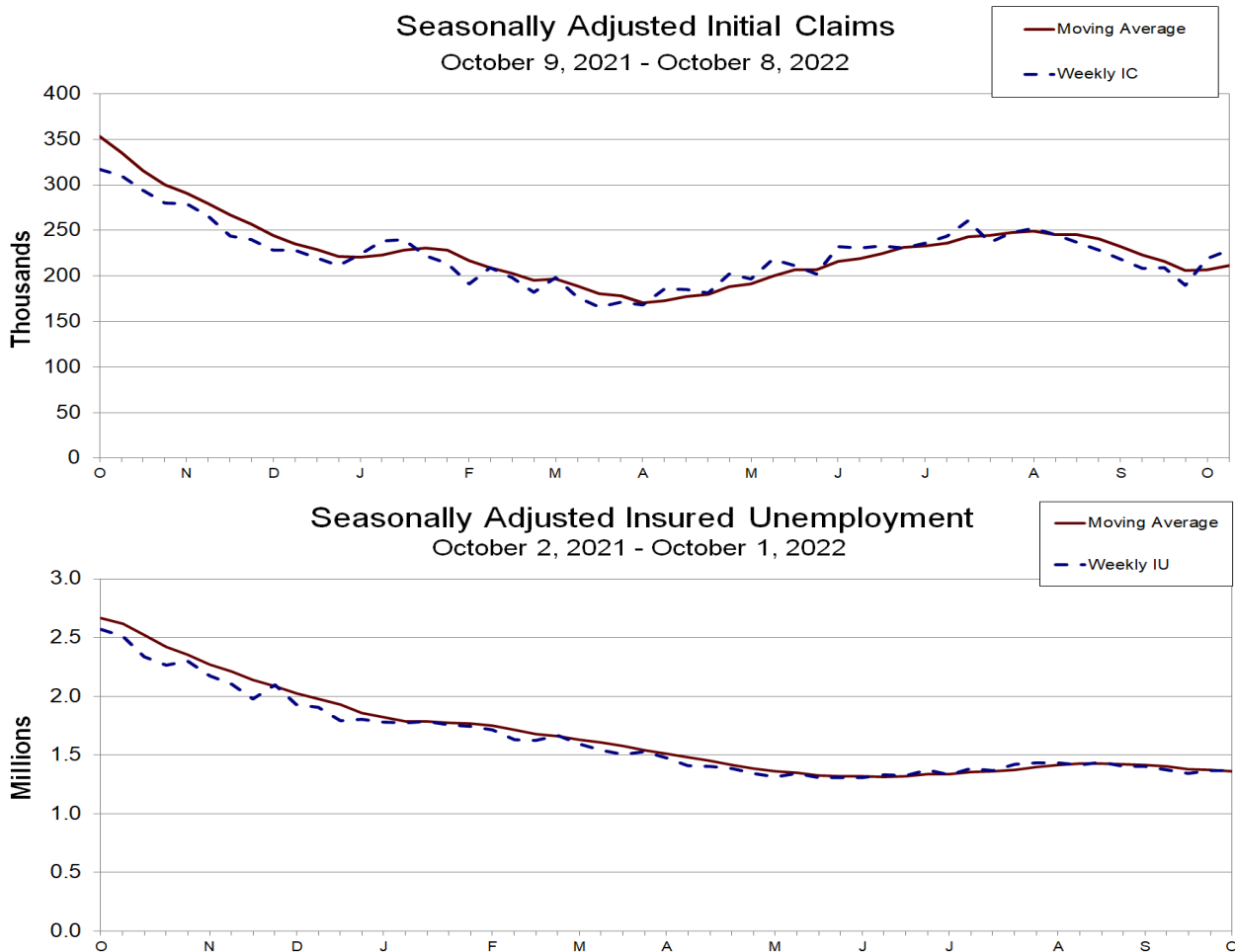
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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

In the week ending October 8, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 228,000, an increase of 9,000 from the previous week's unrevised level of 219,000. The 4-week moving average was 211,500, an increase of 5,000 from the previous week's unrevised average of 206,500.

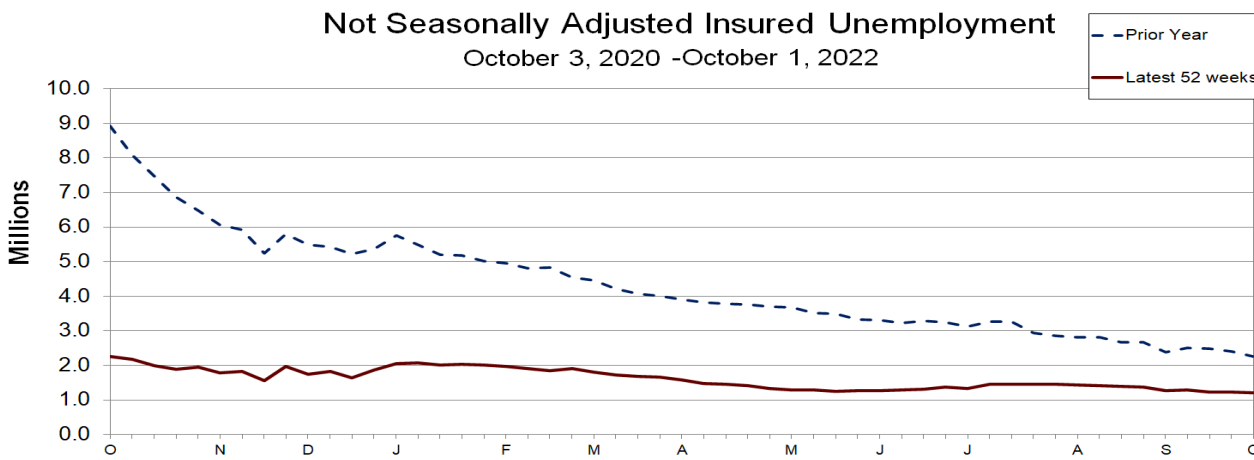
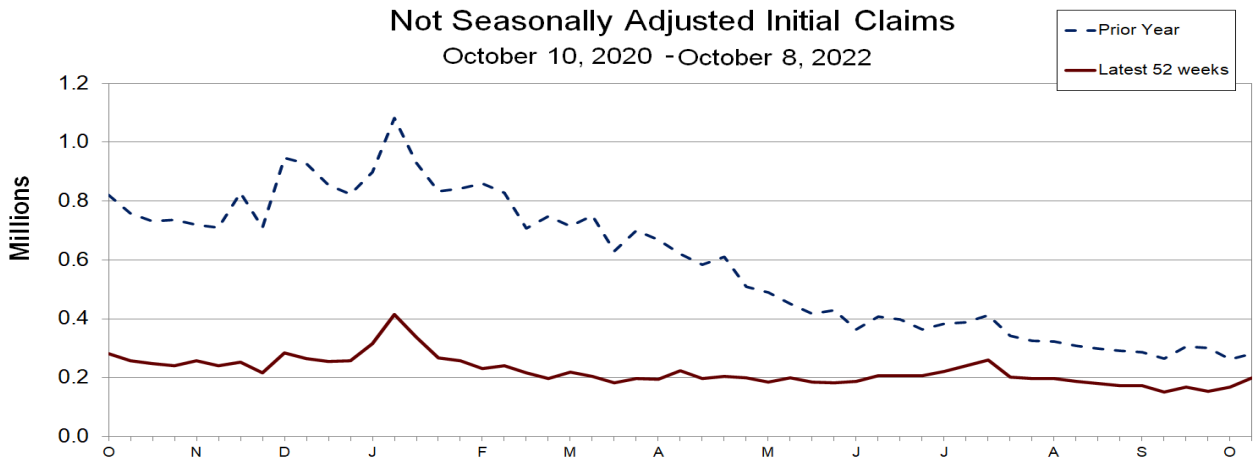
The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 1.0 percent for the week ending October 1, unchanged from the previous week's unrevised rate. The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending October 1 was 1,368,000, an increase of 3,000 from the previous week's revised level. The previous week's level was revised up 4,000 from 1,361,000 to 1,365,000. The 4-week moving average was 1,363,750, a decrease of 8,000 from the previous week's revised average. The previous week's average was revised up by 1,000 from 1,370,750 to 1,371,750.



UNADJUSTED DATA

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 199,662 in the week ending October 8, an increase of 32,275 (or 19.3 percent) from the previous week. The seasonal factors had expected an increase of 24,790 (or 14.8 percent) from the previous week. There were 280,597 initial claims in the comparable week in 2021.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 0.8 percent during the week ending October 1, a decrease of 0.1 percentage point from the prior week. The advance unadjusted level of insured unemployment in state programs totaled 1,205,534, a decrease of 27,458 (or -2.2 percent) from the preceding week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 30,040 (or -2.4 percent) from the previous week. A year earlier the rate was 1.7 percent and the volume was 2,262,792.



The total number of continued weeks claimed for benefits in all programs for the week ending September 24 was 1,254,842, an increase of 7,935 from the previous week. There were 3,649,033 weekly claims filed for benefits in all programs in the comparable week in 2021.

No state was triggered "on" the Extended Benefits program during the week ending September 24.

Initial claims for UI benefits filed by former Federal civilian employees totaled 396 in the week ending October 1, an increase of 51 from the prior week. There were 371 initial claims filed by newly discharged veterans, a decrease of 14 from the preceding week.

There were 5,748 continued weeks claimed filed by former Federal civilian employees the week ending September 24, a decrease of 146 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 3,397, a decrease of 936 from the prior week.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending September 24 were in Puerto Rico (2.0), California (1.8), New Jersey (1.7), New York (1.4), Alaska (1.2), Massachusetts (1.2), Rhode Island (1.2), Connecticut (1.1), and Nevada (1.1).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending October 1 were in Puerto Rico (+3,966), Missouri (+3,830), Massachusetts (+2,245), North Carolina (+1,651), and California (+1,253), while the largest decreases were in Florida (-1,203), Ohio (-754), Georgia (-684), Virginia (-343), and New York (-335).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

WEEK ENDING	October 8	October 1	Change	September 24	Prior Year¹
Initial Claims (SA)	228,000	219,000	+9,000	190,000	317,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	199,662	167,387	+32,275	153,819	280,597
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	211,500	206,500	+5,000	206,250	353,250

WEEK ENDING	October 1	September 24	Change	September 17	Prior Year¹
Insured Unemployment (SA)	1,368,000	1,365,000	+3,000	1,346,000	2,571,000
Insured Unemployment (NSA)	1,205,534	1,232,992	-27,458	1,224,450	2,262,792
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	1,363,750	1,371,750	-8,000	1,381,000	2,667,500
Insured Unemployment Rate (SA) ²	1.0%	1.0%	0.0	0.9%	1.9%
Insured Unemployment Rate (NSA) ²	0.8%	0.9%	-0.1	0.9%	1.7%

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)³

WEEK ENDING	October 1	September 24	Change	Prior Year¹
Federal Employees (UCFE)	396	345	+51	742
Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX)	371	385	-14	467

CONTINUED WEEKS CLAIMED FILED FOR UI BENEFITS IN ALL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)³

WEEK ENDING	September 24	September 17	Change	Prior Year¹
Regular State	1,230,068	1,221,879	+8,189	2,397,361
Federal Employees	5,748	5,894	-146	8,479
Newly Discharged Veterans	3,397	4,333	-936	5,573
Extended Benefits ⁴	3,581	4,025	-444	222,613
State Additional Benefits ⁵	1,795	1,632	+163	2,036
STC / Workshare ⁶	10,253	9,144	+1,109	23,433
TOTAL⁷	1,254,842	1,246,907	+7,935	3,649,033

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 143,627,296 as denominator.
3. NOTICE: Ongoing claims for PUA and PEUC are no longer included in this news release. Any ongoing claims for these programs represent activity for periods prior to the programs' expiration on September 6, 2021. Claims activity for these programs will continue to be posted online at: [Weekly Pandemic Program Claims](#)
4. Information on the EB program can be found here: [EB Program information](#)
5. 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 4-5 of this link: [Extensions and Special Programs PDF](#)
6. Information on STC/Worksharing can be found starting on page 4-11 of the following link: [Extensions and Special Programs PDF](#)
7. Prior year total includes PUA and PEUC claims.

Advance State Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

STATE	Initial Claims Filed During Week Ended October 8			Insured Unemployment For Week Ended October 1		
	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Advance	Prior Wk	Change
Alabama	2,356	1,971	385	3,107	4,195	-1,088
Alaska	1,099	651	448	3,434	3,424	10
Arizona	3,132	2,711	421	18,483	20,960	-2,477
Arkansas	1,255	1,503	-248	6,362	6,846	-484
California	41,124	35,612	5,512	296,585	298,635	-2,050
Colorado	2,621	2,169	452	16,471	16,233	238
Connecticut	2,326	3,047	-721	16,185	17,097	-912
Delaware	345	240	105	3,008	2,778	230
District of Columbia	127	62	65	3,086	2,895	191
Florida	14,637	4,269	10,368	36,084	33,883	2,201
Georgia	4,201	4,420	-219	25,179	28,188	-3,009
Hawaii	1,055	937	118	5,474	5,279	195
Idaho	756	676	80	2,746	2,885	-139
Illinois	7,535	6,711	824	55,815	56,858	-1,043
Indiana	4,718	2,978	1,740	18,342	19,724	-1,382
Iowa	1,465	1,200	265	5,589	5,355	234
Kansas	1,112	1,036	76	3,454	3,385	69
Kentucky	1,453	1,014	439	7,655	7,493	162
Louisiana	1,752	1,445	307	9,430	10,320	-890
Maine	360	375	-15	2,481	2,531	-50
Maryland	1,832	1,705	127	16,463	16,902	-439
Massachusetts	4,243	3,428	815	38,988	40,560	-1,572
Michigan	6,427	5,174	1,253	26,916	34,095	-7,179
Minnesota	2,798	2,203	595	22,153	21,008	1,145
Mississippi	928	706	222	3,994	3,857	137
Missouri	2,631	5,950	-3,319	12,793	11,870	923
Montana	675	582	93	2,656	2,602	54
Nebraska	471	455	16	2,530	2,564	-34
Nevada	2,246	1,665	581	14,178	14,973	-795
New Hampshire	231	247	-16	1,629	1,758	-129
New Jersey	7,342	6,441	901	69,393	67,040	2,353
New Mexico	717	678	39	7,054	7,228	-174
New York	15,288	11,750	3,538	119,701	117,798	1,903
North Carolina	3,290	4,921	-1,631	14,442	15,460	-1,018
North Dakota	194	169	25	855	802	53
Ohio	7,135	7,256	-121	26,784	28,294	-1,510
Oklahoma	989	1,031	-42	8,817	9,298	-481
Oregon	3,824	3,243	581	18,700	18,641	59
Pennsylvania	7,848	6,042	1,806	56,546	55,356	1,190
Puerto Rico	5,942	5,052	890	8,056	17,559	-9,503
Rhode Island	605	579	26	5,440	5,467	-27
South Carolina	2,051	1,634	417	10,224	10,537	-313
South Dakota	127	137	-10	522	656	-134
Tennessee	2,261	1,916	345	11,396	12,066	-670
Texas	14,477	12,118	2,359	94,443	100,031	-5,588
Utah	1,306	1,161	145	5,818	5,761	57
Vermont	243	184	59	1,441	1,360	81
Virgin Islands	27	49	-22	344	270	74
Virginia *	1,312	610	702	10,477	8,754	1,723
Washington	4,825	3,741	1,084	33,967	31,940	2,027
West Virginia	653	604	49	4,872	4,656	216
Wisconsin	2,926	2,659	267	13,846	13,844	2
Wyoming	369	270	99	1,126	1,021	105
US Total	199,662	167,387	32,275	1,205,534	1,232,992	-27,458

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.

*Denote state 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	
October 2, 2021	340	-36	364.75	2,571	-103	2,667.50	1.9
October 9, 2021	317	-23	353.25	2,512	-59	2,619.25	1.9
October 16, 2021	310	-7	335.75	2,334	-178	2,522.75	1.7
October 23, 2021	294	-16	315.25	2,263	-71	2,420.00	1.7
October 30, 2021	280	-14	300.25	2,303	40	2,353.00	1.7
November 6, 2021	279	-1	290.75	2,172	-131	2,268.00	1.6
November 13, 2021	265	-14	279.50	2,100	-72	2,209.50	1.6
November 20, 2021	244	-21	267.00	1,976	-124	2,137.75	1.5
November 27, 2021	240	-4	257.00	2,098	122	2,086.50	1.6
December 4, 2021	228	-12	244.25	1,927	-171	2,025.25	1.4
December 11, 2021	228	0	235.00	1,904	-23	1,976.25	1.4
December 18, 2021	220	-8	229.00	1,793	-111	1,930.50	1.3
December 25, 2021	211	-9	221.75	1,805	12	1,857.25	1.3
January 1, 2022	224	13	220.75	1,778	-27	1,820.00	1.3
January 8, 2022	238	14	223.25	1,776	-2	1,788.00	1.3
January 15, 2022	240	2	228.25	1,787	11	1,786.50	1.3
January 22, 2022	222	-18	231.00	1,757	-30	1,774.50	1.3
January 29, 2022	214	-8	228.50	1,743	-14	1,765.75	1.3
February 5, 2022	191	-23	216.75	1,714	-29	1,750.25	1.2
February 12, 2022	209	18	209.00	1,633	-81	1,711.75	1.2
February 19, 2022	198	-11	203.00	1,623	-10	1,678.25	1.2
February 26, 2022	182	-16	195.00	1,664	41	1,658.50	1.2
March 5, 2022	198	16	196.75	1,594	-70	1,628.50	1.2
March 12, 2022	177	-21	188.75	1,542	-52	1,605.75	1.1
March 19, 2022	166	-11	180.75	1,506	-36	1,576.50	1.1
March 26, 2022	171	5	178.00	1,529	23	1,542.75	1.1
April 2, 2022	168	-3	170.50	1,474	-55	1,512.75	1.1
April 9, 2022	186	18	172.75	1,407	-67	1,479.00	1.0
April 16, 2022	185	-1	177.50	1,403	-4	1,453.25	1.0
April 23, 2022	181	-4	180.00	1,387	-16	1,417.75	1.0
April 30, 2022	202	21	188.50	1,342	-45	1,384.75	1.0
May 7, 2022	197	-5	191.25	1,315	-27	1,361.75	0.9
May 14, 2022	218	21	199.50	1,343	28	1,346.75	1.0
May 21, 2022	211	-7	207.00	1,306	-37	1,326.50	0.9
May 28, 2022	202	-9	207.00	1,309	3	1,318.25	0.9
June 4, 2022	232	30	215.75	1,310	1	1,317.00	0.9
June 11, 2022	231	-1	219.00	1,331	21	1,314.00	1.0
June 18, 2022	233	2	224.50	1,324	-7	1,318.50	0.9
June 25, 2022	231	-2	231.75	1,372	48	1,334.25	1.0
July 2, 2022	236	5	232.75	1,333	-39	1,340.00	0.9
July 9, 2022	244	8	236.00	1,384	51	1,353.25	1.0
July 16, 2022	261	17	243.00	1,365	-19	1,363.50	1.0
July 23, 2022	237	-24	244.50	1,420	55	1,375.50	1.0
July 30, 2022	248	11	247.50	1,430	10	1,399.75	1.0
August 6, 2022	252	4	249.50	1,434	4	1,412.25	1.0
August 13, 2022	245	-7	245.50	1,412	-22	1,424.00	1.0
August 20, 2022	237	-8	245.50	1,437	25	1,428.25	1.0
August 27, 2022	228	-9	240.50	1,402	-35	1,421.25	1.0
September 3, 2022	218	-10	232.00	1,400	-2	1,412.75	1.0
September 10, 2022	208	-10	222.75	1,376	-24	1,403.75	1.0
September 17, 2022	209	1	215.75	1,346	-30	1,381.00	0.9
September 24, 2022	190	-19	206.25	1,365	19	1,371.75	1.0
October 1, 2022	219	29	206.50	1,368	3	1,363.75	1.0
October 8, 2022	228	9	211.50				

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED DURING WEEK ENDED
OCTOBER 1

INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT FOR WEEK ENDED
SEPTEMBER 24

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	1,971	-159	-1,996	9	3	4,195	0.2	18	-2,147	54	18	4,267
Alaska	651	55	-517	4	1	3,424	1.2	-18	-3,524	34	11	3,469
Arizona	2,711	38	-565	4	1	20,960	0.7	-666	-3,290	76	25	21,061
Arkansas	1,503	279	170	1	0	6,846	0.6	-385	-5,647	31	25	6,902
California	35,612	1,253	-28,376	79	66	298,635	1.8	5,657	-236,445	791	954	300,380
Colorado	2,169	240	153	4	5	16,233	0.6	-124	-12,428	49	106	16,388
Connecticut	3,047	843	720	1	1	17,097	1.1	281	-12,467	56	32	17,185
Delaware	240	-53	-465	0	2	2,778	0.6	-1	-2,053	10	28	2,816
District of Columbia	62	-12	-3,894	2	0	2,895	0.6	-141	-10,915	109	3	3,007
Florida	4,269	-1,203	-2,785	5	21	33,883	0.4	-3,762	-24,328	151	65	34,099
Georgia	4,420	-684	-1,899	24	11	28,188	0.6	-387	-41,964	266	153	28,607
Hawaii	937	-11	-1,446	4	13	5,279	1.0	-115	-9,716	29	55	5,363
Idaho	676	41	-155	1	4	2,885	0.4	37	-78	11	10	2,906
Illinois	6,711	492	-216	3	8	56,858	1.0	676	-183,726	470	108	57,436
Indiana	2,978	-132	-454	3	2	19,724	0.7	2,277	-17,471	58	16	19,798
Iowa	1,200	46	-496	1	1	5,355	0.4	-314	-4,189	22	1	5,378
Kansas	1,036	252	38	1	0	3,385	0.3	-306	-2,722	24	20	3,429
Kentucky	1,014	-16	-1,718	0	0	7,493	0.4	-477	-5,629	52	44	7,589
Louisiana	1,445	-98	-1,685	2	2	10,320	0.6	-90	-29,982	58	10	10,388
Maine	375	61	-225	0	0	2,531	0.4	-28	-3,409	6	4	2,541
Maryland	1,705	62	-917	9	1	16,902	0.7	81	-20,971	211	51	17,164
Massachusetts	3,428	2,245	-1,198	7	9	40,560	1.2	-33	-21,602	144	64	40,768
Michigan	5,174	747	-9,866	5	4	34,095	0.8	5,744	-24,735	65	48	34,208
Minnesota	2,203	2	-2,177	4	2	21,008	0.8	-110	-28,016	56	35	21,099
Mississippi	706	-95	-498	2	0	3,857	0.4	-923	-5,823	34	16	3,907
Missouri	5,950	3,830	3,082	1	1	11,870	0.4	82	-10,917	72	25	11,967
Montana	582	51	-266	15	2	2,602	0.6	89	-703	29	19	2,650
Nebraska	455	16	-573	1	0	2,564	0.3	20	-1,379	4	1	2,569
Nevada	1,665	-15	-1,212	2	2	14,973	1.1	63	-17,357	58	37	15,068
New Hampshire	247	-27	-170	1	0	1,758	0.3	29	-1,247	1	3	1,762
New Jersey	6,441	877	-1,492	17	10	67,040	1.7	-1,576	-33,198	210	145	67,395
New Mexico	678	94	-774	22	0	7,228	0.9	78	-7,091	76	16	7,320
New York	11,750	-335	-2,415	29	16	117,798	1.4	-1,016	-74,099	452	254	118,504
North Carolina	4,921	1,651	922	2	0	15,460	0.3	-148	-16,865	56	111	15,627
North Dakota	169	29	-82	0	1	802	0.2	12	-592	11	3	816
Ohio	7,256	-754	-2,003	11	13	28,294	0.6	858	-18,732	71	67	28,432
Oklahoma	1,031	62	-1,281	3	8	9,298	0.6	379	-9,229	62	55	9,415
Oregon	3,243	202	-1,147	23	2	18,641	1.0	-732	-24,327	95	34	18,770
Pennsylvania	6,042	190	-7,253	11	17	55,356	1.0	-234	-76,956	171	72	55,599
Puerto Rico	5,052	3,966	4,142	0	4	17,559	2.0	3,930	-17,664	277	117	17,953
Rhode Island	579	-72	-396	2	1	5,467	1.2	73	-3,746	22	18	5,507
South Carolina	1,634	-82	474	4	0	10,537	0.5	-715	-10,122	42	54	10,633
South Dakota	137	18	5	1	0	656	0.2	25	-78	19	6	681
Tennessee	1,916	-280	-2,965	0	10	12,066	0.4	273	-13,501	33	43	12,142
Texas	12,118	-198	-6,992	44	100	100,031	0.8	1,840	-31,459	816	63	100,910
Utah	1,161	128	-23	11	1	5,761	0.4	-2	-516	28	16	5,805
Vermont	184	-16	-149	0	0	1,360	0.5	-7	-1,525	0	1	1,361
Virgin Islands	49	-6	-92	0	1	270	0.8	-14	-746	0	0	270
Virginia	610	-343	-8,750	1	4	8,754	0.2	-809	-35,265	86	79	8,919
Washington	3,741	231	-1,248	9	15	31,940	1.0	-449	-30,339	120	236	32,296
West Virginia	604	85	-145	0	3	4,656	0.7	-103	-2,283	25	7	4,688
Wisconsin	2,659	16	-3,197	9	3	13,844	0.5	-334	-17,780	39	9	13,892
Wyoming	270	57	-73	2	0	1,021	0.4	39	-361	6	4	1,031
Totals	167,387	13,568	-94,540	396	371	1,232,992	0.9	8,542	-1,171,354	5,748	3,397	1,242,137

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 OCTOBER 1, 2022

STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
PR	+3,966	No comment.
MO	+3,830	Layoffs in the automobile industry.
MA	+2,245	No comment.
NC	+1,651	Layoffs in the educational services, administrative and support and waste management and remediation services, and professional, scientific and technical services industries.
CA	+1,253	No comment.

STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
FL	-1,203	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. For further questions on the seasonal adjustment methodology, please see the [official release page for the UI claims seasonal adjustment factors](#) or contact BLS directly through the [Local Area Unemployment Statistics web contact form](#).

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