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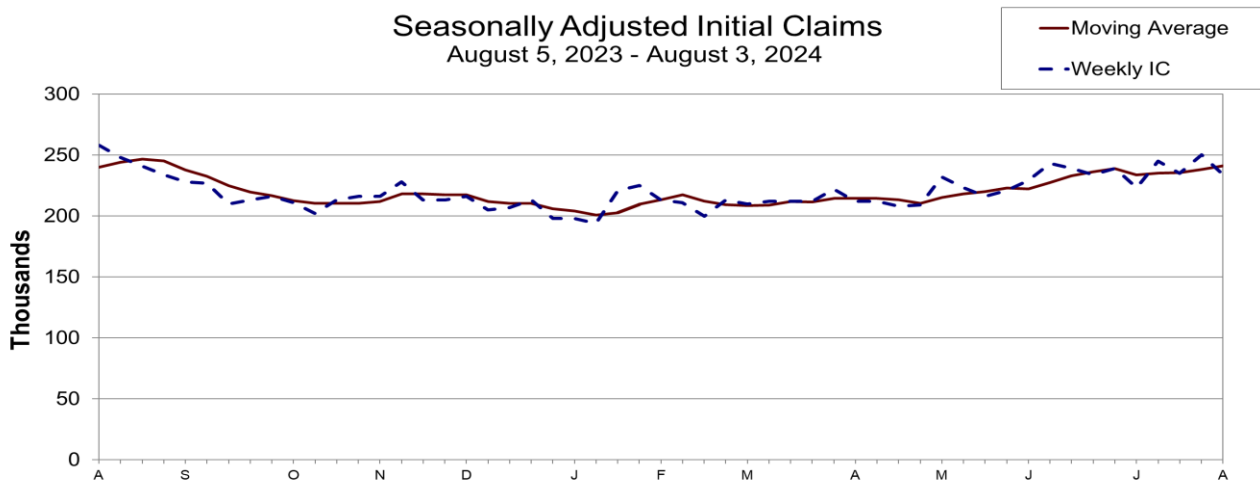
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

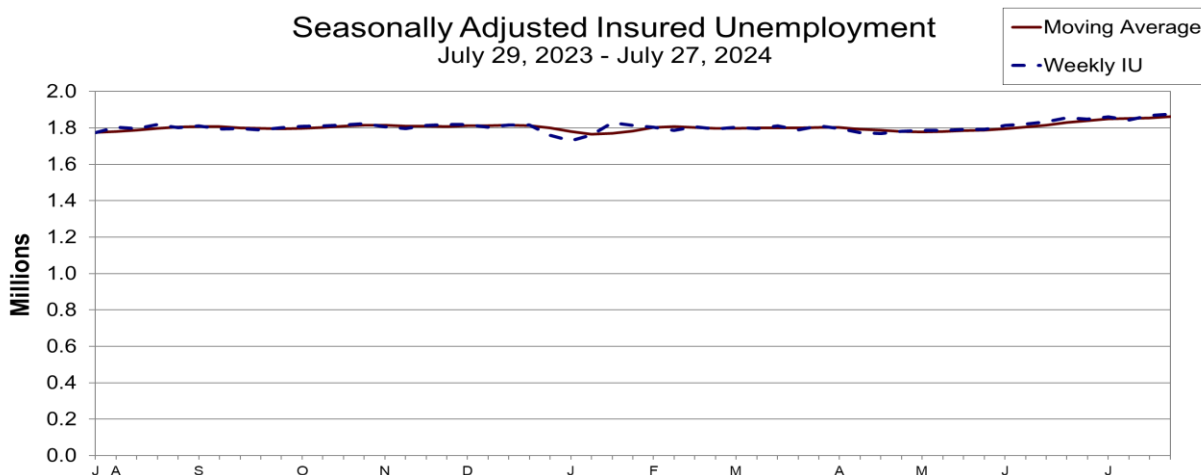
In the week ending August 3, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 233,000, a decrease of 17,000 from the previous week's revised level. The previous week's level was revised up by 1,000 from 249,000 to 250,000. The 4-week moving average was 240,750, an increase of 2,500 from the previous week's revised average. The previous week's average was revised up by 250 from 238,000 to 238,250.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 1.2 percent for the week ending July 27, unchanged from the previous week's unrevised rate. The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending July 27 was 1,875,000, an increase of 6,000 from the previous week's revised level. This is the highest level for insured unemployment since November 27, 2021 when it was 1,878,000. The previous week's level was revised down by 8,000 from 1,877,000 to 1,869,000. The 4-week moving average was 1,862,000, an increase of 7,000 from the previous week's revised average. This is the highest level for this average since November 27, 2021 when it was 1,928,000. The previous week's average was revised down by 2,000 from 1,857,000 to 1,855,000.

Seasonally Adjusted Initial Claims
August 5, 2023 - August 3, 2024



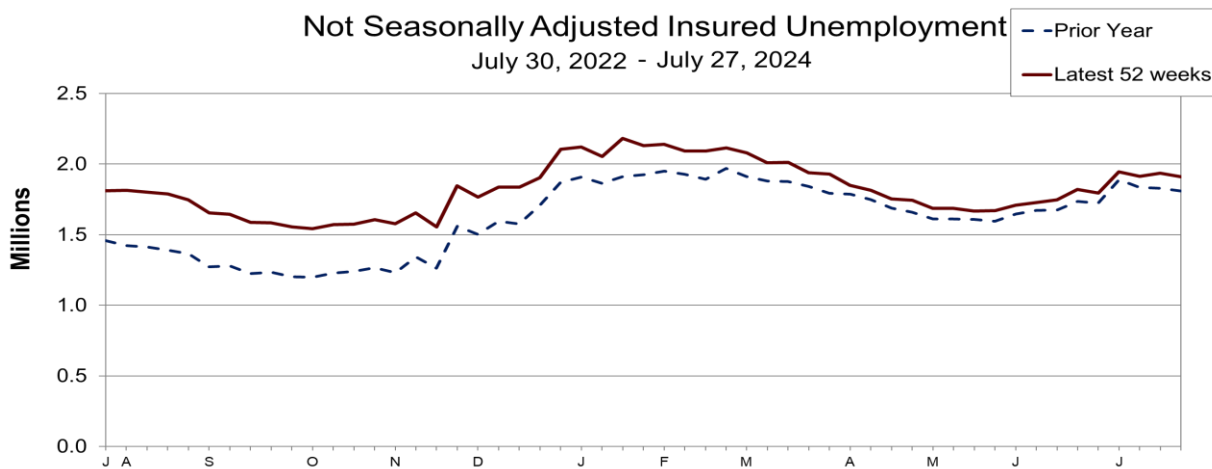
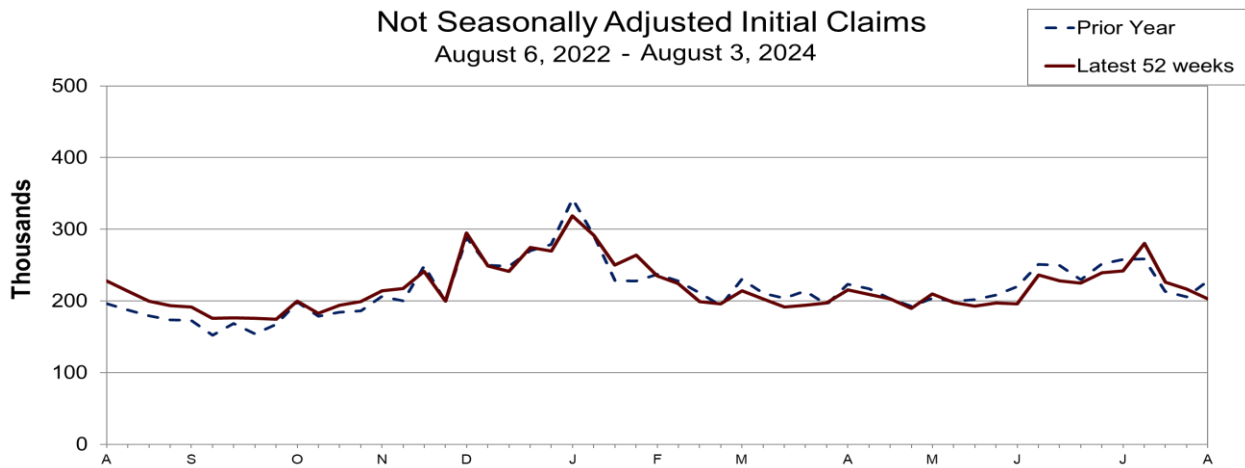
Seasonally Adjusted Insured Unemployment
July 29, 2023 - July 27, 2024



UNADJUSTED DATA

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 203,054 in the week ending August 3, a decrease of 13,589 (or -6.3 percent) from the previous week. The seasonal factors had expected an increase of 1,251 (or 0.6 percent) from the previous week. There were 227,917 initial claims in the comparable week in 2023.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 1.3 percent during the week ending July 27, unchanged from the prior week. The advance unadjusted level of insured unemployment in state programs totaled 1,910,894, a decrease of 23,512 (or -1.2 percent) from the preceding week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 29,904 (or -1.5 percent) from the previous week. A year earlier the rate was 1.2 percent and the volume was 1,809,776.



The total number of continued weeks claimed for benefits in all programs for the week ending July 20 was 1,960,489, an increase of 21,649 from the previous week. There were 1,852,160 weekly claims filed for benefits in all programs in the comparable week in 2023.

No state was triggered "on" the Extended Benefits program during the week ending July 20.

Initial claims for UI benefits filed by former Federal civilian employees totaled 312 in the week ending July 27, a decrease of 75 from the prior week. There were 391 initial claims filed by newly discharged veterans, an increase of 16 from the preceding week.

There were 4,769 continued weeks claimed filed by former Federal civilian employees the week ending July 20, an increase of 110 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 4,521, a decrease of 35 from the prior week.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending July 20 were in New Jersey (2.8), Rhode Island (2.6), Puerto Rico (2.4), California (2.3), Minnesota (2.0), Pennsylvania (1.9), Connecticut (1.8), Illinois (1.7), Massachusetts (1.7), New York (1.7), and Washington (1.7).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending July 27 were in Michigan (+4,027), Missouri (+3,410), Massachusetts (+2,127), Virginia (+637), and Minnesota (+487), while the largest decreases were in Texas (-6,607), New York (-2,396), Ohio (-2,377), Florida (-1,587), and Tennessee (-1,488).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

WEEK ENDING	August 3	July 27	Change	July 20	Prior Year¹
Initial Claims (SA)	233,000	250,000	-17,000	235,000	258,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	203,054	216,643	-13,589	225,839	227,917
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	240,750	238,250	+2,500	235,500	240,000

WEEK ENDING	July 27	July 20	Change	July 13	Prior Year¹
Insured Unemployment (SA)	1,875,000	1,869,000	+6,000	1,844,000	1,773,000
Insured Unemployment (NSA)	1,910,894	1,934,406	-23,512	1,913,683	1,809,776
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	1,862,000	1,855,000	+7,000	1,851,750	1,775,000
Insured Unemployment Rate (SA) ²	1.2%	1.2%	0.0	1.2%	1.2%
Insured Unemployment Rate (NSA) ²	1.3%	1.3%	0.0	1.3%	1.2%

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	July 27	July 20	Change	Prior Year¹
Federal Employees (UCFE)	312	387	-75	385
Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX)	391	375	+16	377

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

WEEK ENDING	July 20	July 13	Change	Prior Year¹
Regular State	1,928,461	1,907,619	+20,842	1,822,577
Federal Employees	4,769	4,659	+110	4,910
Newly Discharged Veterans	4,521	4,556	-35	4,016
Extended Benefits ³	191	278	-87	585
State Additional Benefits ⁴	2,336	2,199	+137	1,759
STC / Workshare ⁵	20,211	19,529	+682	18,313
TOTAL	1,960,489	1,938,840	+21,649	1,852,160

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 151,110,325 as denominator.
3. Information on the EB program can be found here: [EB Program information](#)
4. 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](#)
5. Information on STC/Worksharing can be found starting on page 4-11 of the following link: [Extensions and Special Programs PDF](#)

Advance State Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

STATE	Initial Claims Filed During Week Ended August 3			Insured Unemployment For Week Ended July 27		
	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Advance	Prior Wk	Change
Alabama	2,038	2,138	-100	9,657	10,559	-902
Alaska	562	474	88	3,457	3,591	-134
Arizona	3,850	3,889	-39	31,248	32,980	-1,732
Arkansas	1,247	1,501	-254	8,664	9,326	-662
California	41,838	40,787	1,051	409,148	401,720	7,428
Colorado	2,785	2,725	60	28,155	27,157	998
Connecticut	3,360	3,045	315	30,726	29,503	1,223
Delaware	180	527	-347	6,126	5,582	544
District of Columbia	646	542	104	6,655	6,558	97
Florida	5,095	5,472	-377	39,230	43,290	-4,060
Georgia	4,700	5,419	-719	29,328	31,260	-1,932
Hawaii	977	903	74	6,065	5,906	159
Idaho	810	714	96	4,483	4,948	-465
Illinois	8,412	7,817	595	98,859	99,391	-532
Indiana	2,762	2,733	29	20,005	20,275	-270
Iowa	2,428	2,271	157	10,744	10,233	511
Kansas	1,087	1,213	-126	6,156	6,711	-555
Kentucky	1,728	1,683	45	8,879	9,217	-338
Louisiana	1,632	1,838	-206	13,062	14,596	-1,534
Maine	394	336	58	4,704	4,686	18
Maryland	2,382	2,493	-111	26,115	25,614	501
Massachusetts	6,272	6,729	-457	61,726	62,745	-1,019
Michigan	7,248	14,649	-7,401	48,742	59,874	-11,132
Minnesota	3,779	3,681	98	59,661	57,403	2,258
Mississippi	1,010	1,145	-135	8,367	9,359	-992
Missouri	2,454	6,288	-3,834	21,165	23,605	-2,440
Montana	393	349	44	4,144	4,215	-71
Nebraska	532	589	-57	5,187	5,421	-234
Nevada	2,768	2,851	-83	25,041	25,244	-203
New Hampshire	356	366	-10	3,563	3,468	95
New Jersey	9,208	8,453	755	115,066	114,492	574
New Mexico	799	810	-11	10,837	10,718	119
New York	13,863	13,149	714	162,673	157,547	5,126
North Carolina	3,221	3,169	52	21,093	22,194	-1,101
North Dakota	231	210	21	2,082	2,097	-15
Ohio	5,302	5,392	-90	43,772	48,051	-4,279
Oklahoma	1,252	1,181	71	10,543	10,944	-401
Oregon	3,639	3,570	69	30,636	28,271	2,365
Pennsylvania	10,542	10,334	208	107,820	108,429	-609
Puerto Rico	1,706	1,655	51	22,772	22,256	516
Rhode Island	913	662	251	11,103	11,181	-78
South Carolina	1,954	2,098	-144	16,108	17,152	-1,044
South Dakota	132	160	-28	1,249	1,237	12
Tennessee	2,723	2,764	-41	22,150	23,254	-1,104
Texas	20,264	25,078	-4,814	162,419	176,918	-14,499
Utah	1,348	936	412	10,889	11,002	-113
Vermont	282	232	50	2,509	2,458	51
Virgin Islands	27	282	-255	278	324	-46
Virginia	2,040	2,682	-642	18,138	16,858	1,280
Washington	4,847	4,298	549	63,705	60,198	3,507
West Virginia	707	731	-24	8,188	7,285	903
Wisconsin	4,135	3,436	699	26,179	25,623	556
Wyoming	194	194	0	1,623	1,480	143
US Total	203,054	216,643	-13,589	1,910,894	1,934,406	-23,512

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 Prior Week	4-Week Average	Insured Unemployment	Change from Prior Week	4-Week Average	IUR
July 29, 2023	240	9	233.50	1,773	-3	1,775.00	1.2
August 5, 2023	258	18	240.00	1,803	30	1,779.25	1.2
August 12, 2023	248	-10	244.25	1,797	-6	1,787.25	1.2
August 19, 2023	241	-7	246.75	1,819	22	1,798.00	1.2
August 26, 2023	234	-7	245.25	1,802	-17	1,805.25	1.2
September 2, 2023	228	-6	237.75	1,810	8	1,807.00	1.2
September 9, 2023	227	-1	232.50	1,793	-17	1,806.00	1.2
September 16, 2023	210	-17	224.75	1,795	2	1,800.00	1.2
September 23, 2023	213	3	219.50	1,789	-6	1,796.75	1.2
September 30, 2023	216	3	216.50	1,800	11	1,794.25	1.2
October 7, 2023	211	-5	212.50	1,808	8	1,798.00	1.2
October 14, 2023	202	-9	210.50	1,810	2	1,801.75	1.2
October 21, 2023	213	11	210.50	1,816	6	1,808.50	1.2
October 28, 2023	216	3	210.50	1,823	7	1,814.25	1.2
November 4, 2023	216	0	211.75	1,807	-16	1,814.00	1.2
November 11, 2023	228	12	218.25	1,795	-12	1,810.25	1.2
November 18, 2023	213	-15	218.25	1,813	18	1,809.50	1.2
November 25, 2023	213	0	217.50	1,818	5	1,808.25	1.2
December 2, 2023	216	3	217.50	1,818	0	1,811.00	1.2
December 9, 2023	205	-11	211.75	1,803	-15	1,813.00	1.2
December 16, 2023	207	2	210.25	1,817	14	1,814.00	1.2
December 23, 2023	213	6	210.25	1,815	-2	1,813.25	1.2
December 30, 2023	198	-15	205.75	1,759	-56	1,798.50	1.2
January 6, 2024	198	0	204.00	1,728	-31	1,779.75	1.2
January 13, 2024	194	-4	200.75	1,761	33	1,765.75	1.2
January 20, 2024	221	27	202.75	1,829	68	1,769.25	1.2
January 27, 2024	225	4	209.50	1,813	-16	1,782.75	1.2
February 3, 2024	213	-12	213.25	1,803	-10	1,801.50	1.2
February 10, 2024	211	-2	217.50	1,787	-16	1,808.00	1.2
February 17, 2024	200	-11	212.25	1,805	18	1,802.00	1.2
February 24, 2024	213	13	209.25	1,794	-11	1,797.25	1.2
March 2, 2024	210	-3	208.50	1,803	9	1,797.25	1.2
March 9, 2024	212	2	208.75	1,795	-8	1,799.25	1.2
March 16, 2024	212	0	211.75	1,810	15	1,800.50	1.2
March 23, 2024	212	0	211.50	1,789	-21	1,799.25	1.2
March 30, 2024	222	10	214.50	1,810	21	1,801.00	1.2
April 6, 2024	212	-10	214.50	1,797	-13	1,801.50	1.2
April 13, 2024	212	0	214.50	1,774	-23	1,792.50	1.2
April 20, 2024	208	-4	213.50	1,768	-6	1,787.25	1.2
April 27, 2024	209	1	210.25	1,781	13	1,780.00	1.2
May 4, 2024	232	23	215.25	1,786	5	1,777.25	1.2
May 11, 2024	223	-9	218.00	1,787	1	1,780.50	1.2
May 18, 2024	216	-7	220.00	1,790	3	1,786.00	1.2
May 25, 2024	221	5	223.00	1,791	1	1,788.50	1.2
June 1, 2024	229	8	222.25	1,813	22	1,795.25	1.2
June 8, 2024	243	14	227.25	1,821	8	1,803.75	1.2
June 15, 2024	239	-4	233.00	1,832	11	1,814.25	1.2
June 22, 2024	234	-5	236.25	1,856	24	1,830.50	1.2
June 29, 2024	239	5	238.75	1,847	-9	1,839.00	1.2
July 6, 2024	223	-16	233.75	1,860	13	1,848.75	1.2
July 13, 2024	245	22	235.25	1,844	-16	1,851.75	1.2
July 20, 2024	235	-10	235.50	1,869	25	1,855.00	1.2
July 27, 2024	250	15	238.25	1,875	6	1,862.00	1.2
August 3, 2024	233	-17	240.75				

STATE NAME	INITIAL CLAIMS FILED DURING WEEK ENDED JULY 27					INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT FOR WEEK ENDED JULY 20						
	STATE	CHANGE FROM		UCFE ¹	UCX ¹	STATE	(%) ²	CHANGE FROM		UCFE ¹	UCX ¹	TOTAL INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT
		LAST WEEK	YEAR AGO					LAST WEEK	YEAR AGO			
Alabama	2,138	-304	-564	6	8	10,559	0.5	-317	-177	27	14	10,600
Alaska	474	-3	-76	0	4	3,591	1.2	87	236	23	4	3,618
Arizona	3,889	-495	-44	4	1	32,980	1.0	345	1,780	140	41	33,161
Arkansas	1,501	-117	-147	2	0	9,326	0.7	191	-2,744	9	4	9,339
California	40,787	-1,045	168	67	97	401,720	2.3	2,477	-2,236	786	1,246	403,752
Colorado	2,725	406	503	1	16	27,157	1.0	818	6,623	79	154	27,390
Connecticut	3,045	-87	534	0	0	29,503	1.8	-84	-1,337	38	16	29,557
Delaware	527	74	233	3	2	5,582	1.2	-107	549	7	6	5,595
District of Columbia	542	-113	105	11	1	6,558	1.2	-35	787	107	3	6,668
Florida	5,472	-1,587	-1,187	9	26	43,290	0.5	2,171	-1,082	90	89	43,469
Georgia	5,419	-556	-845	22	13	31,260	0.7	-139	-3,128	152	116	31,528
Hawaii	903	-29	-159	2	7	5,906	1.0	-64	-371	39	35	5,980
Idaho	714	-45	-64	1	3	4,948	0.6	-220	-98	8	3	4,959
Illinois	7,817	-592	-467	8	4	99,391	1.7	-1,001	8,104	270	135	99,796
Indiana	2,733	-312	13	3	1	20,275	0.7	-2,947	717	29	26	20,330
Iowa	2,271	102	325	3	0	10,233	0.7	61	2,445	11	2	10,246
Kansas	1,213	200	232	1	0	6,711	0.5	-229	932	23	15	6,749
Kentucky	1,683	-102	170	1	0	9,217	0.5	-2,050	1,236	60	37	9,314
Louisiana	1,838	-101	-196	2	5	14,596	0.8	144	-1,154	29	9	14,634
Maine	336	-83	-63	0	0	4,686	0.8	-135	202	8	4	4,698
Maryland	2,493	-6	271	8	10	25,614	1.0	107	3,697	172	70	25,856
Massachusetts	6,729	2,127	4,219	4	10	62,745	1.7	-832	-7,388	56	44	62,845
Michigan	14,649	4,027	9,935	0	4	59,874	1.4	3,865	18,216	60	28	59,962
Minnesota	3,681	487	397	3	1	57,403	2.0	137	10,693	54	38	57,495
Mississippi	1,145	-12	33	2	1	9,359	0.8	-88	635	17	10	9,386
Missouri	6,288	3,410	1,074	2	3	23,605	0.8	1,749	4,062	55	28	23,688
Montana	349	-60	-65	2	0	4,215	0.9	-63	386	28	8	4,251
Nebraska	589	-76	22	1	0	5,421	0.5	-92	886	17	8	5,446
Nevada	2,851	-40	492	3	1	25,244	1.6	-184	3,593	36	58	25,338
New Hampshire	366	-3	-14	1	1	3,468	0.5	-103	334	0	1	3,469
New Jersey	8,453	-358	-127	13	12	114,492	2.8	292	9,732	190	145	114,827
New Mexico	810	-36	34	0	1	10,718	1.3	531	651	61	31	10,810
New York	13,149	-2,396	-885	18	14	157,547	1.7	-2,585	-11,269	294	206	158,047
North Carolina	3,169	-106	-205	2	1	22,194	0.5	384	517	40	116	22,350
North Dakota	210	-63	15	2	0	2,097	0.5	-1,273	480	203	3	2,303
Ohio	5,392	-2,377	-13,114	2	11	48,051	0.9	1,534	4,345	53	68	48,172
Oklahoma	1,181	-56	-159	1	5	10,944	0.7	-312	400	28	41	11,013
Oregon	3,570	211	-662	2	2	28,271	1.4	-14	-6,466	101	32	28,404
Pennsylvania	10,334	-277	-240	16	19	108,429	1.9	146	7,231	203	134	108,766
Puerto Rico	1,655	-520	456	0	8	22,256	2.4	-170	2,128	133	75	22,464
Rhode Island	662	-33	-69	1	0	11,181	2.6	-11	1,490	40	21	11,242
South Carolina	2,098	-913	34	3	3	17,152	0.8	-574	1,867	40	47	17,239
South Dakota	160	5	18	5	0	1,237	0.3	-78	284	139	1	1,377
Tennessee	2,764	-1,488	4	3	5	23,254	0.7	-1,440	6,409	38	58	23,350
Texas	25,078	-6,607	10,682	41	70	176,918	1.3	22,688	27,312	431	784	178,133
Utah	936	-370	-398	10	0	11,002	0.7	-181	1,198	51	22	11,075
Vermont	232	-6	-170	0	0	2,458	0.8	134	-491	1	0	2,459
Virgin Islands	282	243	261	2	0	324	0.9	26	58	4	0	328
Virginia	2,682	637	413	8	3	16,858	0.4	137	3,131	93	81	17,032
Washington	4,298	389	192	4	13	60,198	1.7	-406	8,878	126	363	60,687
West Virginia	731	26	-14	1	1	7,285	1.1	-311	313	22	23	7,330
Wisconsin	3,436	-117	192	5	4	25,623	0.9	-1,225	2,375	39	14	25,676
Wyoming	194	-49	0	1	0	1,480	0.5	-31	60	9	4	1,493
Totals	216,643	-9,196	11,093	312	391	1,934,406	1.3	20,723	107,031	4,769	4,521	1,943,696

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 27, 2024

STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
MI	+4,027	Layoffs in management of companies and enterprises industry.
MO	+3,410	Layoffs in manufacturing industry.
MA	+2,127	No comment.

STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
TX	-6,607	No comment.
NY	-2,396	Fewer layoffs in transportation and warehousing, in accommodation and food services, and in health care and social assistance industries.
OH	-2,377	No comment.
FL	-1,587	Fewer layoffs in agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting; construction; manufacturing; wholesale trade; and retail trade industries.
TN	-1,488	No comment.
CA	-1,045	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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