



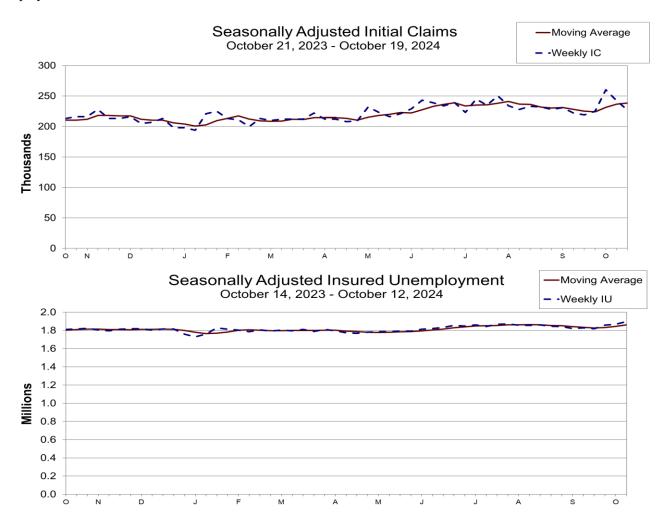
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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

In the week ending October 19, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 227,000, a decrease of 15,000 from the previous week's revised level. The previous week's level was revised up by 1,000 from 241,000 to 242,000. The 4-week moving average was 238,500, an increase of 2,000 from the previous week's revised average. The previous week's average was revised up by 250 from 236,250 to 236,500.

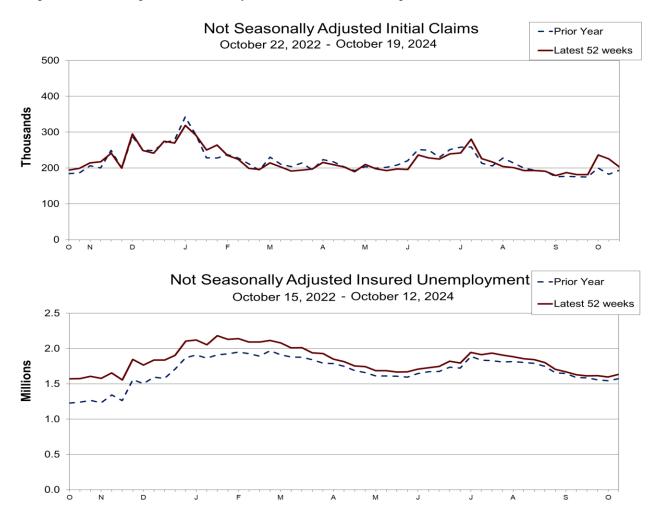
The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 1.3 percent for the week ending October 12, an increase of 0.1 percentage point from the previous week's unrevised rate. The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending October 12 was 1,897,000, an increase of 28,000 from the previous week's revised level. This is the highest level for insured unemployment since November 13, 2021 when it was 1,974,000. The previous week's level was revised up 2,000 from 1,867,000 to 1,869,000. The 4-week moving average was 1,860,750, an increase of 17,500 from the previous week's revised average. The previous week's average was revised up by 500 from 1,842,750 to 1,843,250.



UNADJUSTED DATA

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 202,635 in the week ending October 19, a decrease of 22,634 (or -10.0 percent) from the previous week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 9,426 (or -4.2 percent) from the previous week. There were 193,999 initial claims in the comparable week in 2023.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 1.1 percent during the week ending October 12, unchanged from the prior week. The advance unadjusted level of insured unemployment in state programs totaled 1,635,367, an increase of 37,194 (or 2.3 percent) from the preceding week. The seasonal factors had expected an increase of 13,084 (or 0.8 percent) from the previous week. A year earlier the rate was 1.1 percent and the volume was 1,572,658.



The total number of continued weeks claimed for benefits in all programs for the week ending October 5 was 1,621,451, a decrease of 16,058 from the previous week. There were 1,566,413 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 October 5.

Initial claims for UI benefits filed by former Federal civilian employees totaled 425 in the week ending October 12, an increase of 80 from the prior week. There were 406 initial claims filed by newly discharged veterans, a decrease of 71 from the preceding week.

There were 3,820 continued weeks claimed filed by former Federal civilian employees the week ending October 5, a decrease of 109 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 4,351, a decrease of 343 from the prior week.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending October 5 were in New Jersey (2.2), California (1.9), Puerto Rico (1.9), Washington (1.8), Nevada (1.6), Rhode Island (1.6), Massachusetts (1.5), New York (1.5), Illinois (1.4), Alaska (1.3), Oregon (1.3), and Pennsylvania (1.3).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending October 12 were in Georgia (+3,293), New York (+2,340), Pennsylvania (+1,379), Texas (+886), and South Carolina (+779), while the largest decreases were in Michigan (-7,917), Florida (-3,257), Ohio (-2,556), North Carolina (-2,365), and Indiana (-2,173).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

WEEK ENDING	October 19	October 12	Change	October 5	Prior Year ¹
Initial Claims (SA)	227,000	242,000	-15,000	260,000	213,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	202,635	225,269	-22,634	236,179	193,999
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	238,500	236,500	+2,000	231,500	210,500
WEEK ENDING	October 12	October 5	Change	September 28	Prior Year ¹
Insured Unemployment (SA)	1,897,000	1,869,000	+28,000	1,858,000	1,810,000
Insured Unemployment (NSA)	1,635,367	1,598,173	+37,194	1,614,322	1,572,658
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	1,860,750	1,843,250	+17,500	1,831,250	1,801,750
Insured Unemployment Rate (SA) ²	1.3%	1.2%	+0.1	1.2%	1.2%
Insured Unemployment Rate (NSA) ²	1.1%	1.1%	0.0	1.1%	1.1%

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	October 12	October 5	Change	Prior Year ¹
Federal Employees (UCFE)	425	345	+80	439
Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX)	406	477	-71	393

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

WEEK ENDING	October 5	September 28	Change	Prior Year ¹
Regular State	1,593,125	1,608,816	-15,691	1,537,769
Federal Employees	3,820	3,929	-109	4,121
Newly Discharged Veterans	4,351	4,694	-343	4,155
Extended Benefits ³	91	118	-27	433
State Additional Benefits ⁴	2,419	2,269	+150	2,320
STC / Workshare ⁵	17,645	17,683	-38	17,615
TOTAL	1,621,451	1,637,509	-16,058	1,566,413

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 151,636,941 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: <u>Extensions and Special Programs PDF</u>

Advance State Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Initial Claims	Filed During Week	Ended October 19	Insured Unemploy	ment For Week Ended (
STATE	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Advance	Prior Wk	Change
Alabama	1,798	2,289	-491	8,077	8,660	-583
Alaska	799	627	172	4,090	3,920	170
Arizona	2,980	3,465	-485	25,449	27,666	-2,217
Arkansas	1,254	1,601	-347	6,213	6,369	-156
California	41,206	42,742	-1,536	348,202	341,603	6,599
Colorado	2,975	2,948	27	26,554	25,987	567
Connecticut	2,137	2,365	-228	21,065	20,734	331
Delaware	202	229	-27	5,529	4,512	1,017
District of Columbia	561	570	-9	6,587	6,407	180
Florida	10,574	6,299	4,275	38,636	32,447	6,189
Georgia	6,115	8,166	-2,051	28,431	31,086	-2,655
Hawaii	1,154	1,037	117	6,753	6,310	443
Idaho	981	886	95	3,777	3,962	-185
Illinois			-482			
	7,620	8,102		85,312	83,046	2,266
Indiana	3,106	3,737	-631	20,667	20,932	-265
Iowa	2,146	2,143	3	9,463	9,955	-492
Kansas	1,394	1,081	313	6,805	6,094	711
Kentucky	1,503	1,960	-457	8,764	8,881	-117
Louisiana	1,468	1,779	-311	10,449	11,581	-1,132
Maine	506	487	19	4,040	3,955	85
Maryland	1,908	2,263	-355	21,153	21,630	-477
Massachusetts	5,214	5,702	-488	50,305	52,452	-2,147
Michigan	6,532	8,252	-1,720	57,936	40,615	17,321
Minnesota	3,500	3,380	120	35,735	33,629	2,106
Mississippi	913	1,061	-148	5,654	5,208	446
Missouri	3,549	4,560	-1,011	16,101	16,022	79
Montana	669	999	-330	4,091	3,875	216
Nebraska	605	1,144	-539	4,119	4,667	-548
Nevada	2,429	2,543	-114	23,122	23,928	-806
New Hampshire	290	367	-77	2,812	3,001	-189
New Jersey	8,207	9,252	-1,045	90,260	90,734	-474
New Mexico	760	803	-43	9,829	9,664	165
New York	12,170	14,874	-2,704	135,614	138,851	-3,237
North Carolina	6,402	9,290	-2,888	25,566	23,383	2,183
North Dakota	312	284	28	1,597	1,402	195
Ohio	5,394	7,310	-1,916	43,411	42,982	429
Oklahoma	1,185	1,502	-317	8,911	9,289	-378
Oregon	3,997	3,826	171	27,343	24,781	2,562
Pennsylvania	9,649	11,183	-1,534	77,632	78,070	-438
Puerto Rico	1,130	1,465	-1,334 -335	16,462	17,310	-436 -848
Rhode Island	661	751	-90	7,723		
					7,561	162
South Carolina	2,401	3,407	-1,006	13,582	14,524	-942
South Dakota	160	187	-27	1,034	1,013	21
Tennessee	3,086	4,284	-1,198	17,092	16,230	862
Texas	13,718	15,780	-2,062	139,332	135,143	4,189
Utah	1,433	1,501	-68	10,600	10,515	85
Vermont	277	217	60	1,739	1,550	189
Virgin Islands	30	52	-22	322	356	-34
Virginia	3,123	3,202	-79	16,872	15,480	1,392
Washington	7,531	8,543	-1,012	66,385	62,563	3,822
West Virginia	626	759	-133	6,487	5,891	596
Wisconsin	3,850	3,600	250	20,056	20,412	-356
Wyoming	445	413	32	1,627	1,335	292
US Total	202,635	225,269	-22,634	1,635,367	1,598,173	37,194

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.

		Change from					
	Initial	Prior	4-Week	Insured	Prior	4-Week	
Week Ending	Claims	Week	Average	Unemployment	Week	Average	IUR
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 0, 2024 January 13, 2024	194	-4	204.00	1,761	33	1,765.75	1.2
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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	-4 -5	236.25	1,856	24	1,830.50	1.2
June 29, 2024 June 29, 2024		5			-9		
	239		238.75	1,847		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	1,871	2	1,861.00	1.2
August 3, 2024	234	-16	241.00	1,859	-12	1,860.75	1.2
August 10, 2024	228	-6	236.75	1,855	-4	1,863.50	1.2
August 17, 2024	233	5	236.25	1,860	5	1,861.25	1.2
August 24, 2024	232	-1	231.75	1,845	-15	1,854.75	1.2
August 31, 2024	228	-4	230.25	1,843	-2	1,850.75	1.2
September 7, 2024	231	3	231.00	1,821	-22	1,842.25	1.2
September 14, 2024	222	-9	228.25	1,827	6	1,834.00	1.2
September 21, 2024	219	-3	225.00	1,819	-8	1,827.50	1.2
September 28, 2024	225	6	224.25	1,858	39	1,831.25	1.2
October 5, 2024	260	35	231.50	1,869	11	1,843.25	1.2
October 12, 2024	242	-18	236.50	1,897	28	1,860.75	1.3
October 19, 2024	227	-15	238.50	-,-,,		-,00	1.3

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED DURING WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 12

INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT FOR WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 5

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CTATE NAME	CTATE	LAST	YEAR	LICEEL	HCV	CTATE	(0/) 2	LAST	YEAR	LICEE !	LICVI	INSURED
STATE NAME	STATE	WEEK	AGO	UCFE 1				WEEK	AGO	UCFE 1	UCX 1	UNEMPLOYMENT
Alabama	2,289	49	345	4	7	8,660	0.4	-27	127	29	21	8,710
Alaska	627	54	-109	3	2	3,920	1.3	85	-50	28	4	3,952
Arizona	3,465	-287	211	2	1	27,666	0.9	-860	2,186	52	46	27,764
Arkansas	1,601	316	73	0	0	6,369	0.5	-402	-1,834	26	11	6,406
California	42,742	86	1,989	84	95	341,603		-15,204	-11,696	656	1,132	343,391
Colorado	2,948	-38	343	11	10	25,987	0.9	33	2,612	59	169	26,215
Connecticut	2,365	17	81	1	1	20,734	1.2	-1,391	1,066	31	19	20,784
Delaware	229	35	-123	1	4	4,512	1.0	-250	383	9	3	4,524
District of Columbia	570	-204	170	5	1	6,407	1.1	68	945	156	4	6,567
Florida	6,299	-3,257	278	13	22	32,447	0.3	-5,159	-3,880	57	95	32,599
Georgia	8,166	3,293	4,052	24	18	31,086	0.7	2,703	339	89	89	31,264
Hawaii	1,037	-294	-363	2	9	6,310	1.1	42	-6,701	42	50	6,402
Idaho	886	64	72	11	2	3,962	0.5	89	56	10	4	3,976
Illinois	8,102	-678	-144	6	6	83,046	1.4	-875	6,181	267	94	83,407
Indiana	3,737	-2,173	714	6	4	20,932	0.7	-2,771	1,061	19	23	20,974
Iowa	2,143	-224	571	0	4	9,955	0.6	471	3,726	11	3	9,969
Kansas	1,081	-755	127	1	0	6,094	0.4	85	1,513	18	16	6,128
Kentucky	1,960	-1,473	121	2	0	8,881	0.4	264	2,496	11	37	8,929
Louisiana	1,779	128	280	4	1	11,581	0.6	-90	-658	22	10	11,613
Maine	487	10	85	1	0	3,955	0.6	77	664	11	4	3,970
Maryland	2,263	-149	181	4	3	21,630	0.8	-89	914	122	66	21,818
Massachusetts	5,702	773	3,312	7	9	52,452	1.5	-1,174	-1,670	44	69	52,565
Michigan	8,252	-7,917	633	3	0	40,615	0.9	2,403	3,464	54	34	40,703
Minnesota	3,380	-28	480	6	2	33,629	1.2	600	4,800	58	48	33,735
Mississippi	1,061	55	55	1	0	5,208	0.5	-1,081	-808	16	16	5,240
Missouri	4,560	719	2,087	3	1	16,022	0.6	437	-219	49	23	16,094
Montana	999	120	373	10	0	3,875	0.8	156	861	25	7	3,907
Nebraska	1,144	553	489	0	0	4,667	0.5	452	978	12	7	4,686
Nevada	2,543	65	422	2	3	23,928	1.6	-454	3,197	43	57	24,028
New Hampshire	367	8	11	0	0	3,001	0.4	-434 -54	421	0	2	3,003
New Jersey	9,252	-306	1,705	14	16	90,734	2.2	212	8,531	187	157	91,078
New Mexico	803	-148	1,703	10	10	90,734	1.2	-54	113	57	29	9,750
New York	14,874	2,340	3,374	11	13	138,851		1,594	-4,042	272	181	139,304
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North Carolina	9,290	-2,365	5,642 59	1 2	1	23,383	0.5	4,213	3,848 332	41 5		23,523 1,408
North Dakota	284	37		7	1 10	1,402	0.3	-2 4.256		50	1	
Ohio	7,310	-2,556	1,475			42,982		4,256	6,745		64	43,096
Oklahoma	1,502	93	268	4	9	9,289	0.6	-123	48	27	30	9,346
Oregon	3,826	-257	662	19	6	24,781	1.3	525	-2,521	53	34	24,868
Pennsylvania	11,183	1,379	2,254	23	14	78,070	1.3	-582	877	210	125	78,405
Puerto Rico	1,465	136	-66	3	2	17,310	1.9	676	810	88	52	17,450
Rhode Island	751	74	155	9	2	7,561	1.6	-33	704	30	11	7,602
South Carolina	3,407	779	1,642	4	2	14,524	0.7	1,393	1,719	22	43	14,589
South Dakota	187	-40	9	1	0	1,013	0.2	2	187	9	1	1,023
Tennessee	4,284	-102	776	1	3	16,230	0.5	368	1,417	30	33	16,293
Texas	15,780	886	2,588	39	88	135,143		-7,736	7,514	368	815	136,326
Utah	1,501	-10	-93	10	4	10,515	0.6	113	637	43	16	10,574
Vermont	217	4	14	1	0	1,550	0.5	-37	-222	0	0	1,550
Virgin Islands	52	-12	32	1	0	356	1.0	-76	74	4	0	360
Virginia	3,202	177	1,547	6	6	15,480	0.4	343	3,125	102	97	15,679
Washington	8,543	426	3,256	26	17	62,563	1.8	909	11,523	125	374	63,062
West Virginia	759	-35	138	2	1	5,891	0.9	117	537	18	9	5,918
Wisconsin	3,600	-401	464	7	4	20,412	0.7	-281	3,219	46	15	20,473
Wyoming	413	123	32	7	1	1,335	0.5	-30	127	7	2	1,344
Totals	225,269	-10,910	42,875	425	406	1,598,17	3 1.1	-16,149	55,776	3,820	4,351	1,606,344

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 12, 2024

STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
GA	+3,293	Layoffs in manufacturing, in administrative and support and waste management and
		remediation services, in health care and social assistance and in accommodation and food services industries.
NY	+2,340	Layoffs in transportation and warehousing, in accommodation and food services, and in public administration industries.
PA	+1,379	No comment.

STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
MI	-7,917	Fewer layoffs in the manufacturing industry.
FL	-3,257	Fewer layoffs in agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting; construction; wholesale trade; and retail trade.
OH	-2,556	No comment.
NC	-2,365	Fewer layoffs in accommodation and food services and in health care and social assistance industries.
IN	-2,173	No comment.
KY	-1,473	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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