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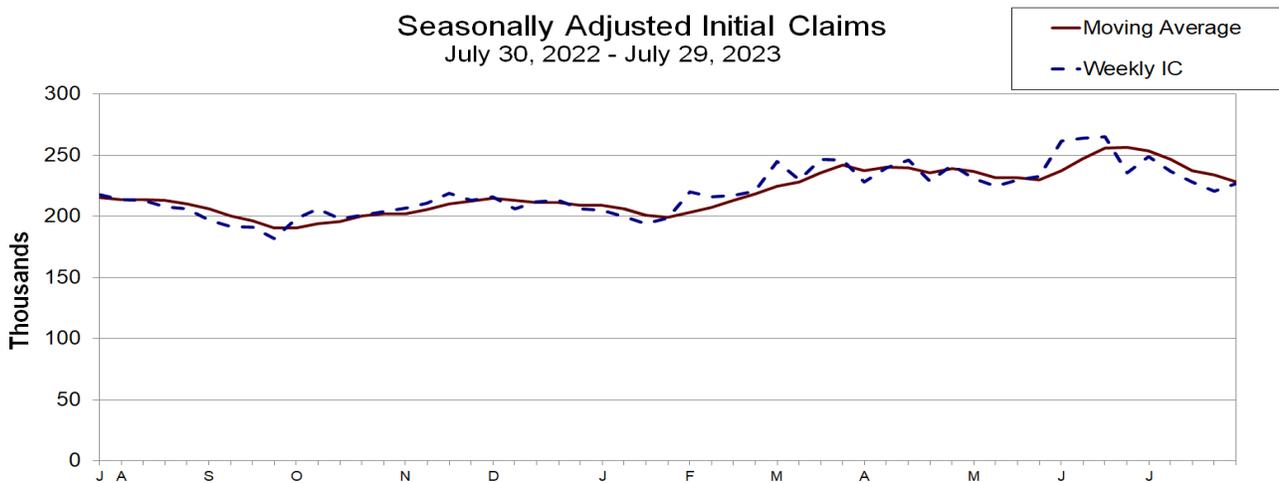
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

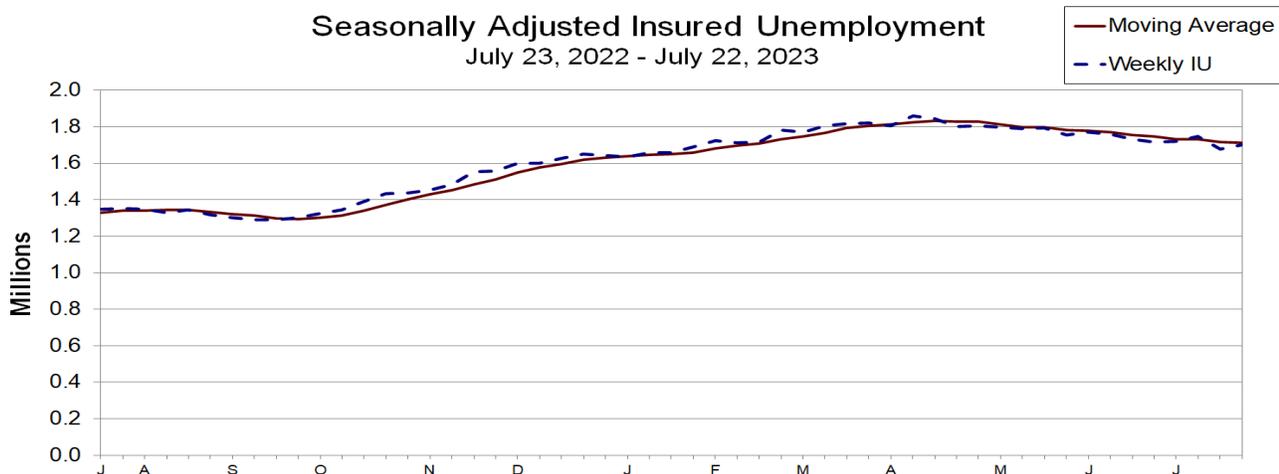
In the week ending July 29, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 227,000, an increase of 6,000 from the previous week's unrevised level of 221,000. The 4-week moving average was 228,250, a decrease of 5,500 from the previous week's unrevised average of 233,750.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 1.1 percent for the week ending July 22, unchanged from the previous week's unrevised rate. The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending July 22 was 1,700,000, an increase of 21,000 from the previous week's revised level. The previous week's level was revised down by 11,000 from 1,690,000 to 1,679,000. The 4-week moving average was 1,712,250, a decrease of 4,500 from the previous week's revised average. The previous week's average was revised down by 2,750 from 1,719,500 to 1,716,750.

Seasonally Adjusted Initial Claims
July 30, 2022 - July 29, 2023



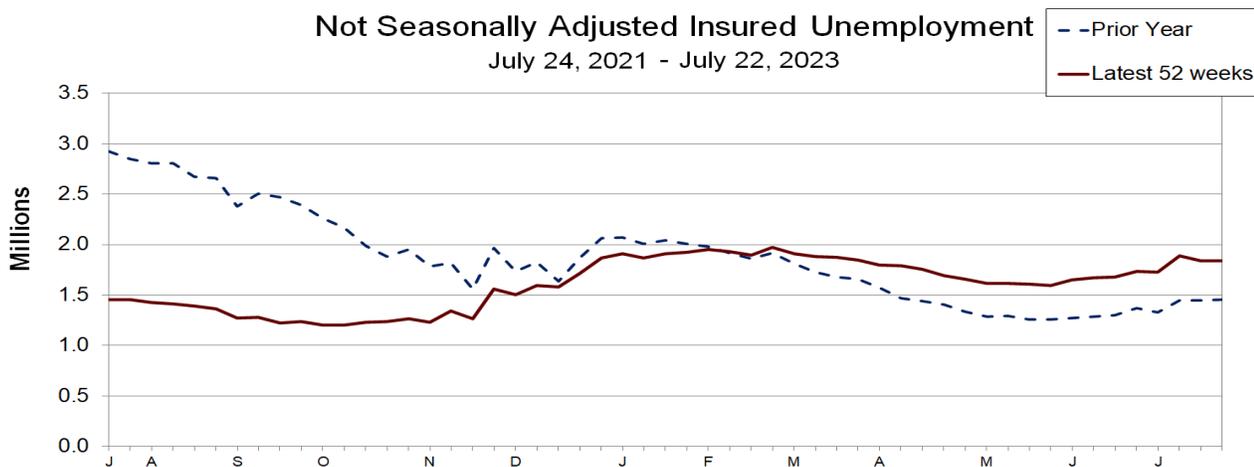
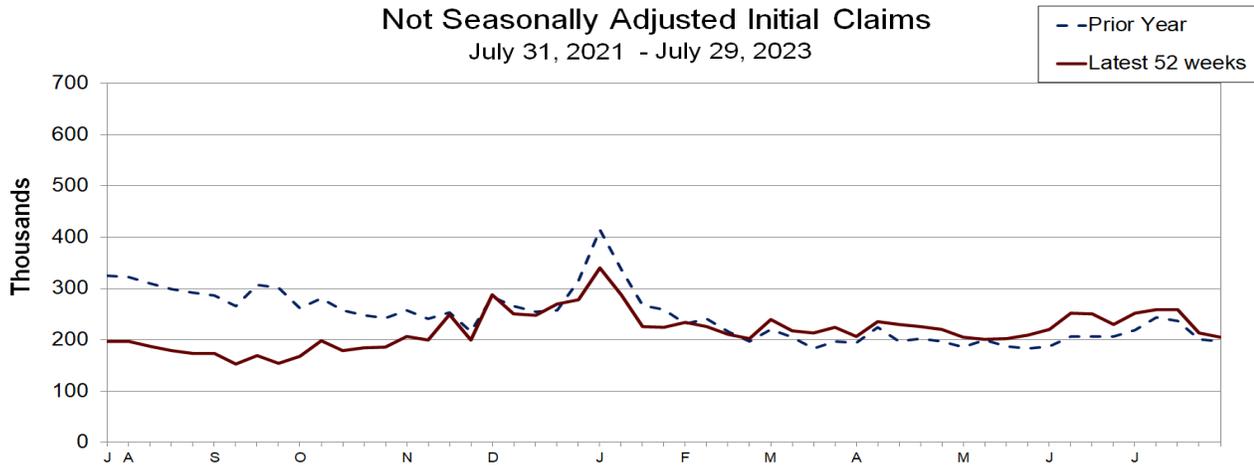
Seasonally Adjusted Insured Unemployment
July 23, 2022 - July 22, 2023



UNADJUSTED DATA

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 205,012 in the week ending July 29, a decrease of 8,485 (or -4.0 percent) from the previous week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 13,895 (or -6.5 percent) from the previous week. There were 196,116 initial claims in the comparable week in 2022.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 1.2 percent during the week ending July 22, unchanged from the prior week. The advance unadjusted level of insured unemployment in state programs totaled 1,836,440, an increase of 836 (or 0.0 percent) from the preceding week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 21,832 (or -1.2 percent) from the previous week. A year earlier the rate was 1.0 percent and the volume was 1,451,592.



The total number of continued weeks claimed for benefits in all programs for the week ending July 15 was 1,860,627, a decrease of 52,732 from the previous week. There were 1,469,133 weekly claims filed for benefits in all programs in the comparable week in 2022.

No state was triggered "on" the Extended Benefits program during the week ending July 15.

Initial claims for UI benefits filed by former Federal civilian employees totaled 371 in the week ending July 22, a decrease of 76 from the prior week. There were 378 initial claims filed by newly discharged veterans, a decrease of 44 from the preceding week.

There were 4,869 continued weeks claimed filed by former Federal civilian employees the week ending July 15, an increase of 6 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 4,025, a decrease of 9 from the prior week.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending July 15 were in Puerto Rico (2.6), New Jersey (2.5), California (2.3), Rhode Island (2.2), Connecticut (2.1), Massachusetts (2.0), New York (1.8), Oregon (1.8), Pennsylvania (1.8), and Minnesota (1.7).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending July 22 were in Vermont (+239), Oklahoma (+93), West Virginia (+41), Virgin Islands (+23), and South Dakota (+8), while the largest decreases were in New York (-9,526), California (-5,310), Georgia (-2,853), Pennsylvania (-2,816), and South Carolina (-2,545).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

WEEK ENDING	July 29	July 22	Change	July 15	Prior Year¹
Initial Claims (SA)	227,000	221,000	+6,000	228,000	218,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	205,012	213,497	-8,485	258,169	196,116
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	228,250	233,750	-5,500	237,500	215,750

WEEK ENDING	July 22	July 15	Change	July 8	Prior Year¹
Insured Unemployment (SA)	1,700,000	1,679,000	+21,000	1,749,000	1,350,000
Insured Unemployment (NSA)	1,836,440	1,835,604	+836	1,887,580	1,451,592
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	1,712,250	1,716,750	-4,500	1,730,250	1,330,500
Insured Unemployment Rate (SA) ²	1.1%	1.1%	0.0	1.2%	1.0%
Insured Unemployment Rate (NSA) ²	1.2%	1.2%	0.0	1.3%	1.0%

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	July 22	July 15	Change	Prior Year¹
Federal Employees (UCFE)	371	447	-76	473
Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX)	378	422	-44	380

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

WEEK ENDING	July 15	July 8	Change	Prior Year¹
Regular State	1,830,627	1,880,260	-49,633	1,440,689
Federal Employees	4,869	4,863	+6	6,894
Newly Discharged Veterans	4,025	4,034	-9	4,151
Extended Benefits ³	628	617	+11	5,773
State Additional Benefits ⁴	1,650	1,797	-147	1,697
STC / Workshare ⁵	18,828	21,788	-2,960	9,929
TOTAL	1,860,627	1,913,359	-52,732	1,469,133

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 148,060,578 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 July 29			Insured Unemployment For Week Ended July 22		
	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Advance	Prior Wk	Change
Alabama	2,589	2,645	-56	9,917	11,120	-1,203
Alaska	591	514	77	3,303	3,284	19
Arizona	3,856	4,306	-450	29,181	31,015	-1,834
Arkansas	1,545	1,391	154	11,489	12,222	-733
California	41,341	43,727	-2,386	412,196	401,510	10,686
Colorado	2,334	2,291	43	21,243	20,997	246
Connecticut	2,852	2,715	137	31,847	34,465	-2,618
Delaware	278	313	-35	5,269	5,040	229
District of Columbia	438	472	-34	5,571	5,173	398
Florida	6,428	6,126	302	41,112	45,128	-4,016
Georgia	6,044	7,637	-1,593	33,440	39,618	-6,178
Hawaii	1,064	1,081	-17	6,430	6,114	316
Idaho	775	744	31	4,876	5,537	-661
Illinois	8,218	7,561	657	92,700	91,653	1,047
Indiana	2,741	3,081	-340	19,571	21,191	-1,620
Iowa	2,172	1,696	476	7,805	8,006	-201
Kansas	970	1,045	-75	5,973	5,533	440
Kentucky	1,461	1,447	14	8,211	8,670	-459
Louisiana	1,868	2,112	-244	14,244	15,809	-1,565
Maine	411	393	18	4,486	4,663	-177
Maryland	1,977	2,105	-128	22,204	21,634	570
Massachusetts	2,469	2,926	-457	69,696	69,498	198
Michigan	4,693	5,302	-609	40,546	42,561	-2,015
Minnesota	3,312	3,232	80	48,317	46,739	1,578
Mississippi	989	1,031	-42	7,851	8,916	-1,065
Missouri	5,028	2,570	2,458	19,155	19,492	-337
Montana	390	371	19	3,774	3,883	-109
Nebraska	568	608	-40	4,548	4,682	-134
Nevada	2,363	2,196	167	21,087	20,578	509
New Hampshire	312	394	-82	2,939	3,173	-234
New Jersey	8,448	7,850	598	105,219	103,664	1,555
New Mexico	769	817	-48	10,048	9,964	84
New York	14,171	15,035	-864	170,549	169,112	1,437
North Carolina	3,266	3,339	-73	20,892	21,457	-565
North Dakota	209	178	31	1,721	1,592	129
Ohio	18,500	21,458	-2,958	43,243	41,413	1,830
Oklahoma	1,230	1,429	-199	10,343	10,425	-82
Oregon	4,258	4,546	-288	35,468	34,753	715
Pennsylvania	10,601	10,872	-271	101,545	100,932	613
Puerto Rico	1,166	1,952	-786	19,624	23,915	-4,291
Rhode Island	736	685	51	9,794	10,147	-353
South Carolina	1,950	2,305	-355	14,867	15,417	-550
South Dakota	133	137	-4	940	923	17
Tennessee	2,772	2,395	377	16,908	17,369	-461
Texas	14,336	15,498	-1,162	151,075	146,350	4,725
Utah	1,334	1,560	-226	9,781	9,808	-27
Vermont	395	596	-201	3,091	2,667	424
Virgin Islands	15	57	-42	274	224	50
Virginia	2,372	2,293	79	14,810	13,714	1,096
Washington	4,116	4,109	7	54,455	51,984	2,471
West Virginia	708	961	-253	7,731	7,168	563
Wisconsin	3,275	3,155	120	23,496	23,325	171
Wyoming	175	238	-63	1,585	1,377	208
US Total	205,012	213,497	-8,485	1,836,440	1,835,604	836

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	
July 23, 2022	211	-2	214.25	1,350	33	1,330.50	1.0
July 30, 2022	218	7	215.75	1,352	2	1,340.00	1.0
August 6, 2022	214	-4	214.00	1,350	-2	1,342.25	1.0
August 13, 2022	213	-1	214.00	1,329	-21	1,345.25	0.9
August 20, 2022	208	-5	213.25	1,343	14	1,343.50	0.9
August 27, 2022	206	-2	210.25	1,316	-27	1,334.50	0.9
September 3, 2022	197	-9	206.00	1,302	-14	1,322.50	0.9
September 10, 2022	192	-5	200.75	1,289	-13	1,312.50	0.9
September 17, 2022	191	-1	196.50	1,290	1	1,299.25	0.9
September 24, 2022	182	-9	190.50	1,302	12	1,295.75	0.9
October 1, 2022	198	16	190.75	1,325	23	1,301.50	0.9
October 8, 2022	206	8	194.25	1,346	21	1,315.75	0.9
October 15, 2022	198	-8	196.00	1,391	45	1,341.00	1.0
October 22, 2022	201	3	200.75	1,432	41	1,373.50	1.0
October 29, 2022	204	3	202.25	1,439	7	1,402.00	1.0
November 5, 2022	207	3	202.50	1,454	15	1,429.00	1.0
November 12, 2022	211	4	205.75	1,484	30	1,452.25	1.0
November 19, 2022	219	8	210.25	1,554	70	1,482.75	1.1
November 26, 2022	213	-6	212.50	1,558	4	1,512.50	1.1
December 3, 2022	216	3	214.75	1,601	43	1,549.25	1.1
December 10, 2022	206	-10	213.50	1,601	0	1,578.50	1.1
December 17, 2022	212	6	211.75	1,627	26	1,596.75	1.1
December 24, 2022	213	1	211.75	1,650	23	1,619.75	1.1
December 31, 2022	206	-7	209.25	1,645	-5	1,630.75	1.1
January 7, 2023	205	-1	209.00	1,634	-11	1,639.00	1.1
January 14, 2023	200	-5	206.00	1,658	24	1,646.75	1.1
January 21, 2023	194	-6	201.25	1,660	2	1,649.25	1.1
January 28, 2023	199	5	199.50	1,688	28	1,660.00	1.2
February 4, 2023	220	21	203.25	1,723	35	1,682.25	1.2
February 11, 2023	216	-4	207.25	1,714	-9	1,696.25	1.2
February 18, 2023	217	1	213.00	1,718	4	1,710.75	1.2
February 25, 2023	221	4	218.50	1,781	63	1,734.00	1.2
March 4, 2023	245	24	224.75	1,772	-9	1,746.25	1.2
March 11, 2023	230	-15	228.25	1,804	32	1,768.75	1.2
March 18, 2023	247	17	235.75	1,817	13	1,793.50	1.3
March 25, 2023	246	-1	242.00	1,823	6	1,804.00	1.3
April 1, 2023	228	-18	237.75	1,804	-19	1,812.00	1.2
April 8, 2023	240	12	240.25	1,861	57	1,826.25	1.3
April 15, 2023	246	6	240.00	1,843	-18	1,832.75	1.3
April 22, 2023	229	-17	235.75	1,801	-42	1,827.25	1.2
April 29, 2023	242	13	239.25	1,807	6	1,828.00	1.2
May 6, 2023	231	-11	237.00	1,799	-8	1,812.50	1.2
May 13, 2023	225	-6	231.75	1,789	-10	1,799.00	1.2
May 20, 2023	230	5	232.00	1,794	5	1,797.25	1.2
May 27, 2023	233	3	229.75	1,755	-39	1,784.25	1.2
June 3, 2023	262	29	237.50	1,772	17	1,777.50	1.2
June 10, 2023	264	2	247.25	1,761	-11	1,770.50	1.2
June 17, 2023	265	1	256.00	1,733	-28	1,755.25	1.2
June 24, 2023	236	-29	256.75	1,718	-15	1,746.00	1.2
July 1, 2023	249	13	253.50	1,721	3	1,733.25	1.2
July 8, 2023	237	-12	246.75	1,749	28	1,730.25	1.2
July 15, 2023	228	-9	237.50	1,679	-70	1,716.75	1.1
July 22, 2023	221	-7	233.75	1,700	21	1,712.25	1.1
July 29, 2023	227	6	228.25				

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED DURING WEEK ENDED
JULY 22

INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT FOR WEEK ENDED
JULY 15

STATE NAME	CHANGE FROM					CHANGE FROM					ALL PROGRAMS EXCLUDING RAILROAD RETIREMENT	
	STATE	LAST WEEK	YEAR AGO	UCFE ¹	UCX ¹	STATE (%) ²	LAST WEEK	YEAR AGO	UCFE ¹	UCX ¹		
Alabama	2,645	-972	-1,278	8	5	11,120	0.6	-807	4,437	33	14	11,167
Alaska	514	-76	-126	2	0	3,284	1.1	-207	-263	21	10	3,315
Arizona	4,306	-495	758	4	2	31,015	1.0	867	7,174	105	44	31,164
Arkansas	1,391	-613	-274	1	0	12,222	1.0	531	2,257	28	32	12,282
California	43,727	-5,310	3,655	96	61	401,510	2.3	-20,410	86,435	821	863	403,194
Colorado	2,291	-105	19	0	8	20,997	0.8	1,660	3,510	43	93	21,133
Connecticut	2,715	-1,009	-6,278	3	1	34,465	2.1	-8,638	4,164	26	22	34,513
Delaware	313	-34	-3	0	0	5,040	1.1	-1	1,237	11	8	5,059
District of Columbia	472	-40	80	3	0	5,173	0.9	-222	1,900	154	6	5,333
Florida	6,126	-348	-775	9	28	45,128	0.5	2,271	4,888	85	114	45,327
Georgia	7,637	-2,853	455	23	21	39,618	0.9	6,137	8,601	140	75	39,833
Hawaii	1,081	-111	-46	1	9	6,114	1.0	-234	-178	31	47	6,192
Idaho	744	-98	-21	1	5	5,537	0.7	-434	1,728	8	12	5,557
Illinois	7,561	-574	164	4	4	91,653	1.6	-810	24,474	239	111	92,003
Indiana	3,081	-592	-932	5	5	21,191	0.7	-1,424	3,078	55	30	21,276
Iowa	1,696	-471	399	2	2	8,006	0.5	-2,108	414	22	7	8,035
Kansas	1,045	-265	-425	0	0	5,533	0.4	122	1,433	18	8	5,559
Kentucky	1,447	-500	-2,350	0	0	8,670	0.5	-256	-2,596	36	23	8,729
Louisiana	2,112	-290	-258	2	3	15,809	0.9	361	3,215	25	8	15,842
Maine	393	-160	14	0	0	4,663	0.8	-176	1,219	12	4	4,679
Maryland	2,105	-224	-2	6	5	21,634	0.9	-418	2,712	96	63	21,793
Massachusetts	2,926	-151	1,603	8	6	69,498	2.0	-952	18,918	78	66	69,642
Michigan	5,302	-1,900	-2,911	0	4	42,561	1.0	-4,998	3,136	45	34	42,640
Minnesota	3,232	-1,523	857	8	4	46,739	1.7	-3,941	22,320	36	51	46,826
Mississippi	1,031	-415	-324	1	0	8,916	0.8	156	1,091	59	9	8,984
Missouri	2,570	-1,060	-237	2	6	19,492	0.7	-1,057	1,677	63	19	19,574
Montana	371	-69	-117	3	0	3,883	0.8	-322	494	27	9	3,919
Nebraska	608	-31	82	0	1	4,682	0.5	-154	1,424	6	3	4,691
Nevada	2,196	-435	183	1	3	20,578	1.4	-1,310	5,323	45	60	20,683
New Hampshire	394	-10	95	2	0	3,173	0.5	-198	752	1	3	3,177
New Jersey	7,850	-861	1,301	18	16	103,664	2.5	1,702	21,295	264	158	104,086
New Mexico	817	-85	88	3	2	9,964	1.2	202	2,156	74	27	10,065
New York	15,035	-9,526	641	20	25	169,112	1.8	-3,700	29,131	370	227	169,709
North Carolina	3,339	-361	328	2	4	21,457	0.5	-105	4,683	58	77	21,592
North Dakota	178	-61	-4	10	0	1,592	0.4	-123	94	165	4	1,761
Ohio	21,458	-982	12,197	0	8	41,413	0.8	-3,100	5,737	60	54	41,527
Oklahoma	1,429	93	-1,052	4	2	10,425	0.7	-483	-1,018	32	23	10,480
Oregon	4,546	-1,537	1,379	10	11	34,753	1.8	-762	13,600	112	53	34,918
Pennsylvania	10,872	-2,816	3,744	15	9	100,932	1.8	-1,467	17,946	203	111	101,246
Puerto Rico	1,952	-12	614	12	1	23,915	2.6	2,347	4,654	204	105	24,224
Rhode Island	685	-271	51	2	1	10,147	2.2	-114	1,937	14	14	10,175
South Carolina	2,305	-2,545	-73	2	4	15,417	0.7	-2,619	2,662	35	43	15,495
South Dakota	137	8	17	9	0	923	0.2	-50	158	139	0	1,062
Tennessee	2,395	-679	-431	1	3	17,369	0.5	-106	2,652	32	26	17,427
Texas	15,498	-1,488	496	40	74	146,350	1.1	-2,964	38,674	466	872	147,688
Utah	1,560	-38	278	6	1	9,808	0.6	355	3,811	30	16	9,854
Vermont	596	239	382	0	0	2,667	0.9	212	581	0	0	2,667
Virgin Islands	57	23	-3	0	0	224	0.6	6	-68	10	0	234
Virginia	2,293	-131	-56	16	21	13,714	0.4	18	2,800	78	92	13,884
Washington	4,109	-1,722	695	3	9	51,984	1.5	-2,103	19,195	77	247	52,308
West Virginia	961	41	305	0	1	7,168	1.1	-221	2,849	27	8	7,203
Wisconsin	3,155	-1,211	-354	3	2	23,325	0.8	-1,905	3,184	46	12	23,383
Wyoming	238	-16	18	0	1	1,377	0.5	-24	69	4	8	1,389
Totals	213,497	-44,672	12,568	371	378	1,835,604	1.2	-51,976	391,756	4,869	4,025	1,844,498

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 22, 2023

STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
None		

STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
NY	-9,526	Fewer layoffs in the transportation and warehousing, construction, and health care and social assistance industries.
CA	-5,310	No comment.
GA	-2,853	Fewer layoffs in the manufacturing, administrative and support and waste management and remediation services, trade, and professional, technical and scientific services industries.
PA	-2,816	Fewer layoffs in the transportation and warehousing, accommodation and food services, and in administrative and support and waste management and remediation services industries.
SC	-2,545	No comment.
MI	-1,900	Fewer layoffs in the management of companies and enterprises industry.
WA	-1,722	No comment.
OR	-1,537	No comment.
MN	-1,523	No comment.
TX	-1,488	No comment.
WI	-1,211	No comment.
MO	-1,060	Fewer layoffs in the manufacturing, transportation and warehousing, and retail trade industries.
CT	-1,009	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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