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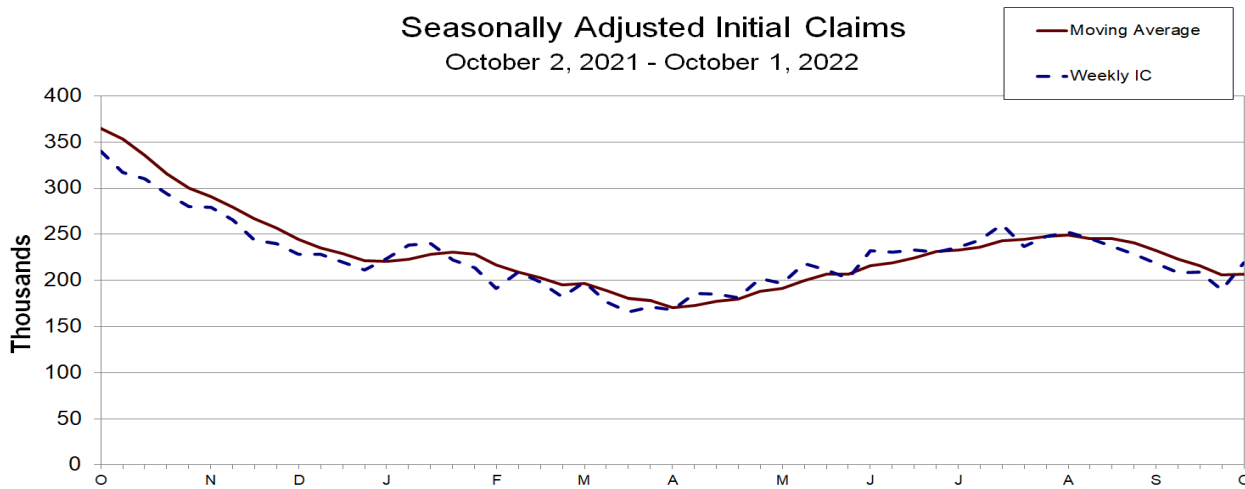
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

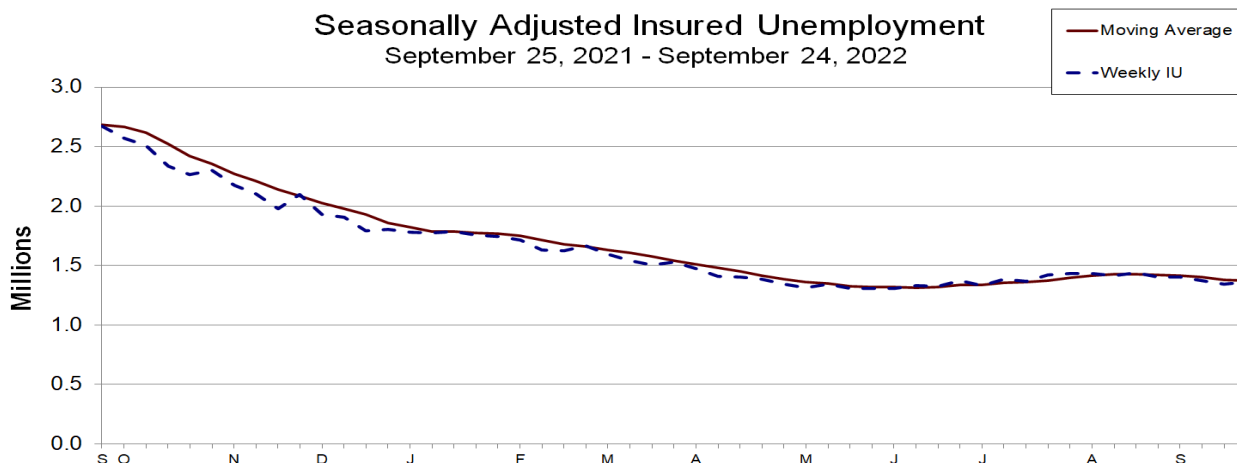
In the week ending October 1, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 219,000, an increase of 29,000 from the previous week's revised level. The previous week's level was revised down by 3,000 from 193,000 to 190,000. The 4-week moving average was 206,500, an increase of 250 from the previous week's revised average. The previous week's average was revised down by 750 from 207,000 to 206,250.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 1.0 percent for the week ending September 24, an increase of 0.1 percentage point from the previous week's revised rate. The previous week's rate was revised down by 0.1 from 1.0 to 0.9 percent. The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending September 24 was 1,361,000, an increase of 15,000 from the previous week's revised level. The previous week's level was revised down by 1,000 from 1,347,000 to 1,346,000. The 4-week moving average was 1,370,750, a decrease of 10,250 from the previous week's revised average. The previous week's average was revised down by 250 from 1,381,250 to 1,381,000.

Seasonally Adjusted Initial Claims
October 2, 2021 - October 1, 2022



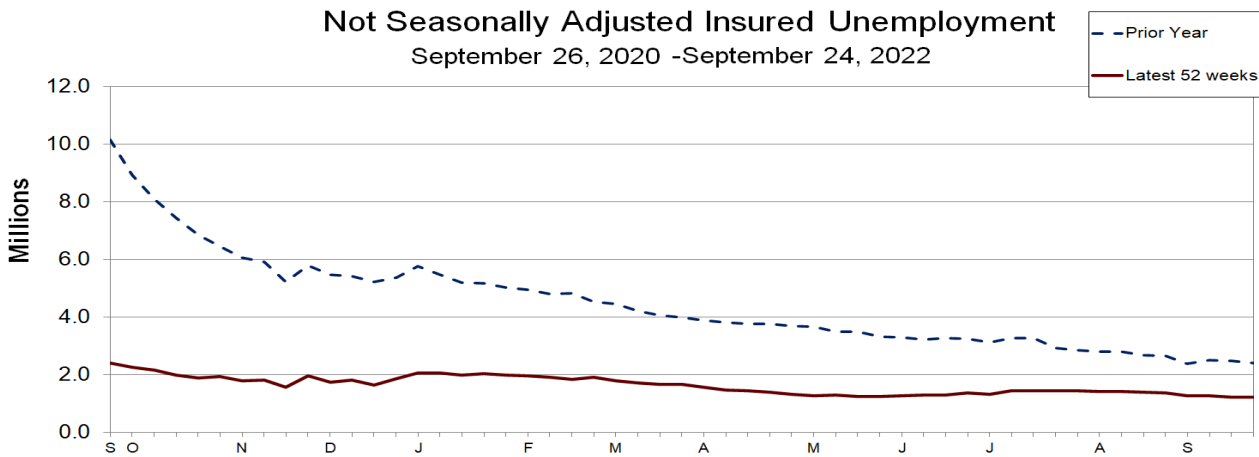
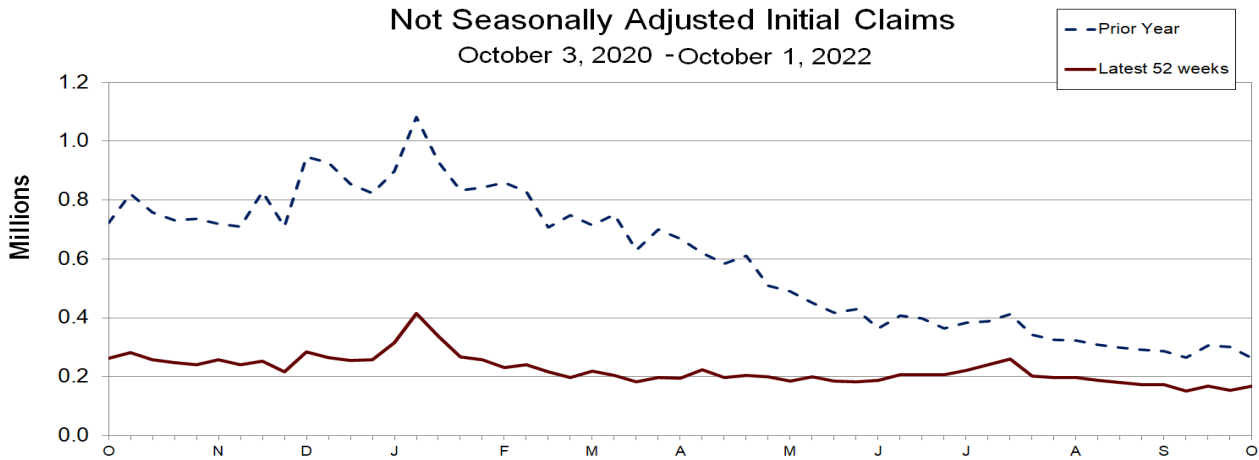
Seasonally Adjusted Insured Unemployment
September 25, 2021 - September 24, 2022



UNADJUSTED DATA

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 167,083 in the week ending October 1, an increase of 13,264 (or 8.6 percent) from the previous week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 8,567 (or -5.6 percent) from the previous week. There were 261,927 initial claims in the comparable week in 2021.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 0.9 percent during the week ending September 24, unchanged from the prior week. The advance unadjusted level of insured unemployment in state programs totaled 1,228,583, an increase of 4,140 (or 0.3 percent) from the preceding week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 9,419 (or -0.8 percent) from the previous week. A year earlier the rate was 1.8 percent and the volume was 2,404,346.



The total number of continued weeks claimed for benefits in all programs for the week ending September 17 was 1,246,900, a decrease of 55,459 from the previous week. There were 4,174,821 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 17.

Initial claims for UI benefits filed by former Federal civilian employees totaled 345 in the week ending September 24, a decrease of 30 from the prior week. There were 385 initial claims filed by newly discharged veterans, an increase of 45 from the preceding week.

There were 5,894 continued weeks claimed filed by former Federal civilian employees the week ending September 17, a decrease of 322 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 4,333, a decrease of 60 from the prior week.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending September 17 were in New Jersey (1.8), California (1.7), Puerto Rico (1.6), 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 September 24 were in Ohio (+1,586), North Carolina (+289), Tennessee (+286), Arkansas (+38), and Arizona (+35), while the largest decreases were in Michigan (-5,715), New York (-1,404), New Jersey (-1,400), Missouri (-966), and Georgia (-799).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

WEEK ENDING	October 1	September 24	Change	September 17	Prior Year¹
Initial Claims (SA)	219,000	190,000	+29,000	209,000	340,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	167,083	153,819	+13,264	168,702	261,927
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	206,500	206,250	+250	215,750	364,750

WEEK ENDING	September 24	September 17	Change	September 10	Prior Year¹
Insured Unemployment (SA)	1,361,000	1,346,000	+15,000	1,376,000	2,674,000
Insured Unemployment (NSA)	1,228,583	1,224,443	+4,140	1,278,762	2,404,346
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	1,370,750	1,381,000	-10,250	1,403,750	2,681,750
Insured Unemployment Rate (SA) ²	1.0%	0.9%	+0.1	1.0%	2.0%
Insured Unemployment Rate (NSA) ²	0.9%	0.9%	0.0	0.9%	1.8%

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)³

WEEK ENDING	September 24	September 17	Change	Prior Year¹
Federal Employees (UCFE)	345	375	-30	657
Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX)	385	340	+45	485

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

WEEK ENDING	September 17	September 10	Change	Prior Year¹
Regular State	1,221,872	1,275,750	-53,878	2,465,519
Federal Employees	5,894	6,216	-322	8,374
Newly Discharged Veterans	4,333	4,393	-60	5,571
Extended Benefits ⁴	4,025	4,141	-116	390,677
State Additional Benefits ⁵	1,632	1,691	-59	1,941
STC / Workshare ⁶	9,144	10,168	-1,024	24,235
TOTAL⁷	1,246,900	1,302,359	-55,459	4,174,821

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 141,769,719 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 1			Insured Unemployment For Week Ended September 24		
	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Advance	Prior Wk	Change
Alabama	1,899	2,130	-231	3,139	4,177	-1,038
Alaska	758	596	162	3,347	3,442	-95
Arizona	2,617	2,673	-56	19,240	21,626	-2,386
Arkansas	1,420	1,224	196	6,357	7,231	-874
California	36,155	34,359	1,796	305,554	292,978	12,576
Colorado	2,232	1,929	303	16,765	16,357	408
Connecticut	3,372	2,204	1,168	16,544	16,816	-272
Delaware	232	293	-61	2,983	2,779	204
District of Columbia	67	74	-7	2,777	3,036	-259
Florida	4,063	5,472	-1,409	31,044	37,645	-6,601
Georgia	4,247	5,104	-857	27,380	28,575	-1,195
Hawaii	946	948	-2	5,382	5,387	-5
Idaho	670	635	35	2,676	2,848	-172
Illinois	6,725	6,219	506	57,827	56,182	1,645
Indiana	3,038	3,110	-72	19,598	17,447	2,151
Iowa	1,275	1,154	121	5,454	5,669	-215
Kansas	1,045	784	261	3,672	3,691	-19
Kentucky	1,029	1,030	-1	7,758	7,970	-212
Louisiana	1,377	1,543	-166	9,478	10,410	-932
Maine	377	314	63	2,462	2,559	-97
Maryland	1,533	1,643	-110	16,288	16,821	-533
Massachusetts	3,389	1,183	2,206	39,538	40,593	-1,055
Michigan	5,104	4,427	677	32,611	28,351	4,260
Minnesota	2,251	2,201	50	22,118	21,118	1,000
Mississippi	719	801	-82	4,166	4,780	-614
Missouri	5,869	2,120	3,749	10,865	11,788	-923
Montana	528	531	-3	2,532	2,513	19
Nebraska	456	439	17	2,569	2,544	25
Nevada	1,775	1,680	95	14,274	14,910	-636
New Hampshire	199	274	-75	1,606	1,729	-123
New Jersey	6,176	5,564	612	67,640	68,616	-976
New Mexico	641	584	57	7,135	7,150	-15
New York	11,881	12,085	-204	118,450	118,814	-364
North Carolina	4,834	3,270	1,564	14,627	15,608	-981
North Dakota	185	140	45	845	790	55
Ohio	7,139	8,010	-871	28,177	27,436	741
Oklahoma	1,311	969	342	9,213	8,919	294
Oregon	3,240	3,041	199	18,742	19,373	-631
Pennsylvania	6,058	5,852	206	54,898	55,590	-692
Puerto Rico	5,003	1,086	3,917	17,182	13,629	3,553
Rhode Island	576	651	-75	5,570	5,394	176
South Carolina	1,538	1,716	-178	10,149	11,252	-1,103
South Dakota	126	119	7	654	631	23
Tennessee	1,909	2,196	-287	11,490	11,793	-303
Texas	11,904	12,316	-412	100,360	98,191	2,169
Utah	1,161	1,033	128	5,746	5,763	-17
Vermont	178	200	-22	1,453	1,367	86
Virgin Islands	29	55	-26	282	284	-2
Virginia	740	953	-213	9,624	9,563	61
Washington*	3,606	3,510	96	30,387	32,389	-2,002
West Virginia	563	519	44	4,944	4,759	185
Wisconsin	2,686	2,643	43	13,898	14,178	-280
Wyoming	232	213	19	1,113	982	131
US Total	167,083	153,819	13,264	1,228,583	1,224,443	4,140

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.

*Denotes OUI 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	
September 25, 2021	376	-4	370.00	2,674	-46	2,681.75	2.0
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	1,361	15	1,370.75	1.0
October 1, 2022	219	29	206.50				

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED DURING WEEK ENDED
SEPTEMBER 24

INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT FOR WEEK ENDED
SEPTEMBER 17

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	2,130	-8	-1,870	5	9	4,177	0.2	-998	-2,612	58	20	4,255
Alaska	596	-46	-641	0	1	3,442	1.2	26	-4,203	33	10	3,485
Arizona	2,673	35	-1,366	4	2	21,626	0.8	-496	-4,745	57	22	21,705
Arkansas	1,224	38	-241	1	3	7,231	0.6	-661	-6,285	18	19	7,268
California	34,359	-265	-44,362	90	83	292,978	1.7	-13,087	-199,826	928	834	294,740
Colorado	1,929	-102	-38	1	5	16,357	0.6	-170	-14,820	70	104	16,531
Connecticut	2,204	-246	-99	1	1	16,816	1.1	535	-15,260	30	39	16,885
Delaware	293	27	-587	1	3	2,779	0.6	-77	-2,212	12	13	2,804
District of Columbia	74	-192	-7,787	2	0	3,036	0.6	-221	-8,897	106	3	3,145
Florida	5,472	-361	-2,241	14	18	37,645	0.4	-1,145	-21,283	145	73	37,863
Georgia	5,104	-799	-1,002	31	16	28,575	0.7	-1,221	-29,072	247	138	28,960
Hawaii	948	-107	-3,038	0	7	5,387	1.0	-385	-10,255	42	41	5,470
Idaho	635	4	-183	0	2	2,848	0.4	-163	-121	25	11	2,884
Illinois	6,219	-779	-2,073	5	6	56,182	1.0	45	-172,707	419	138	56,739
Indiana	3,110	-458	-323	3	1	17,447	0.6	-1,419	-22,607	38	45	17,530
Iowa	1,154	-118	-501	6	3	5,669	0.4	84	-4,405	21	3	5,693
Kansas	784	-94	-534	0	0	3,691	0.3	-29	-2,747	23	24	3,738
Kentucky	1,030	-74	-2,618	1	0	7,970	0.4	-34	-5,436	30	58	8,058
Louisiana	1,543	17	-2,404	3	3	10,410	0.6	-396	-32,593	56	6	10,472
Maine	314	-46	-193	1	0	2,559	0.4	-112	-4,217	7	9	2,575
Maryland	1,643	-192	-2,629	9	2	16,821	0.7	42	-24,412	182	45	17,048
Massachusetts	1,183	3	-3,636	6	6	40,593	1.2	-1,517	-18,360	153	77	40,823
Michigan	4,427	-5,715	-14,653	1	0	28,351	0.7	271	-34,704	67	37	28,455
Minnesota	2,201	-327	-3,461	1	2	21,118	0.8	-764	-30,554	50	57	21,225
Mississippi	801	-90	-802	0	0	4,780	0.4	-177	-4,918	40	12	4,832
Missouri	2,120	-966	-3,346	4	2	11,788	0.4	204	-16,523	68	30	11,886
Montana	531	21	-158	7	4	2,513	0.6	-166	-977	37	17	2,567
Nebraska	439	-57	-619	0	0	2,544	0.3	-67	-1,637	6	1	2,551
Nevada	1,680	-29	-1,967	4	0	14,910	1.1	-788	-20,164	56	53	15,019
New Hampshire	274	30	-162	0	0	1,729	0.3	-112	-1,497	1	0	1,730
New Jersey	5,564	-1,400	-1,923	14	11	68,616	1.8	-3,687	-38,048	251	152	69,019
New Mexico	584	-66	-1,092	2	2	7,150	0.9	-64	-7,702	109	19	7,278
New York	12,085	-1,404	-3,307	26	22	118,814	1.4	-9,928	-95,417	456	261	119,531
North Carolina	3,270	289	-650	3	2	15,608	0.4	-128	-19,062	48	105	15,761
North Dakota	140	6	-104	0	2	790	0.2	-89	-741	13	1	804
Ohio	8,010	1,586	-2,202	5	7	27,436	0.5	-614	-50,970	57	102	27,595
Oklahoma	969	-515	-1,121	4	4	8,919	0.6	-1,038	-10,475	56	39	9,014
Oregon	3,041	-478	-3,166	11	4	19,373	1.0	108	-29,958	80	34	19,487
Pennsylvania	5,852	-220	-5,736	9	8	55,590	1.0	-10,409	-66,741	166	77	55,833
Puerto Rico	1,086	0	116	4	6	13,629	1.6	0	-23,170	265	80	13,974
Rhode Island	651	-61	-326	1	0	5,394	1.2	-215	-4,093	23	18	5,435
South Carolina	1,716	-688	584	2	3	11,252	0.5	-772	-11,029	50	53	11,355
South Dakota	119	16	-1	2	0	631	0.2	121	-207	17	1	649
Tennessee	2,196	286	-2,019	1	9	11,793	0.4	-216	-19,847	28	53	11,874
Texas	12,316	-202	-9,170	42	88	98,191	0.8	-3,199	-52,126	945	1,010	100,146
Utah	1,033	-76	-190	6	1	5,763	0.4	22	-702	29	16	5,808
Vermont	200	-1	-164	0	0	1,367	0.5	-13	-1,731	0	1	1,368
Virgin Islands	55	-3	-69	0	0	284	0.8	2	-474	2	2	288
Virginia	953	-429	-7,764	1	10	9,563	0.3	69	-37,678	98	99	9,760
Washington	3,510	-365	-1,586	7	22	32,389	1.0	-239	-37,253	116	248	32,753
West Virginia	519	-47	-303	0	1	4,759	0.8	-282	-2,827	24	11	4,794
Wisconsin	2,643	-247	-3,489	3	4	14,178	0.5	-730	-19,225	28	8	14,214
Wyoming	213	32	-108	1	0	982	0.4	-20	-335	8	4	994
Totals	153,819	-14,883	-147,324	345	385	1,224,443	0.9	-54,319	-1,247,860	5,894	4,333	1,234,670

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 SEPTEMBER 24, 2022

STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
OH	+1,586	No comment.

STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
MI	-5,715	No comment.
NY	-1,404	Fewer layoffs in the construction, transportation and warehousing, and health care and social assistance industries.
NJ	-1,400	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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