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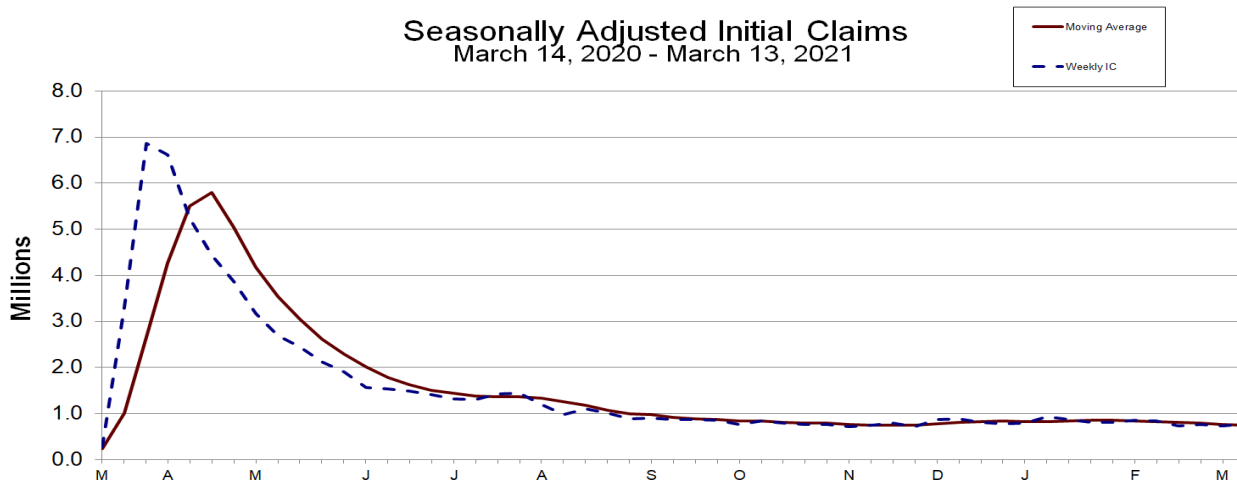
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

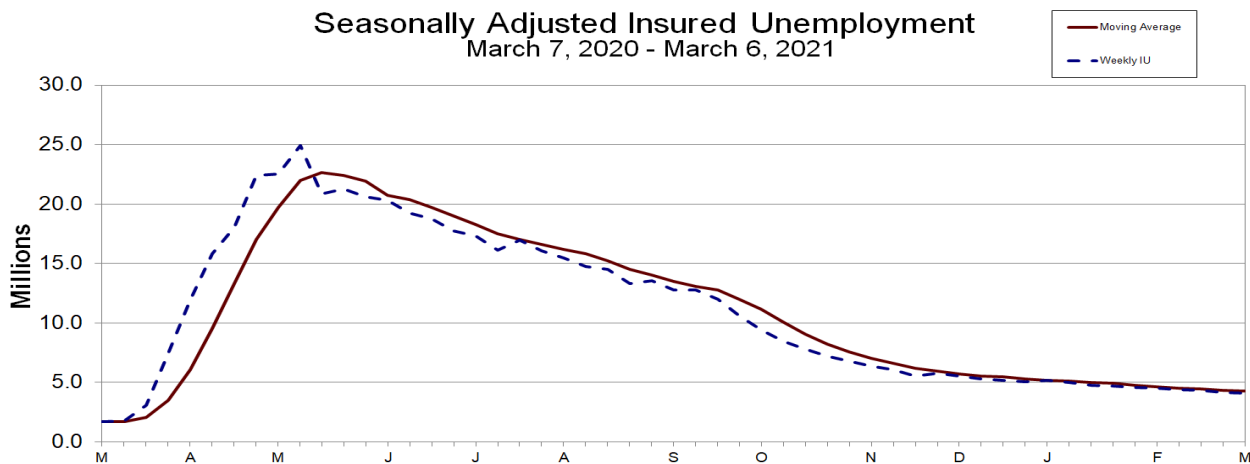
In the week ending March 13, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 770,000, an increase of 45,000 from the previous week's revised level. The previous week's level was revised up by 13,000 from 712,000 to 725,000. The 4-week moving average was 746,250, a decrease of 16,000 from the previous week's revised average. The previous week's average was revised up by 3,250 from 759,000 to 762,250.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 3.0 percent for the week ending March 6, 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 March 6 was 4,124,000, a decrease of 18,000 from the previous week's revised level. The previous week's level was revised down by 2,000 from 4,144,000 to 4,142,000. The 4-week moving average was 4,255,500, a decrease of 99,000 from the previous week's revised average. The previous week's average was revised down by 500 from 4,355,000 to 4,354,500.

Seasonally Adjusted Initial Claims
March 14, 2020 - March 13, 2021



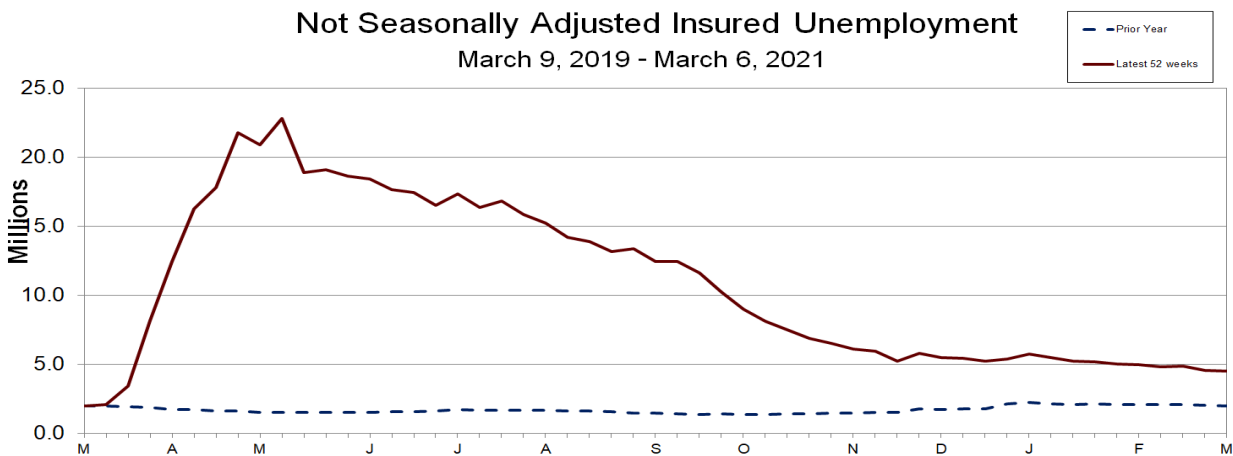
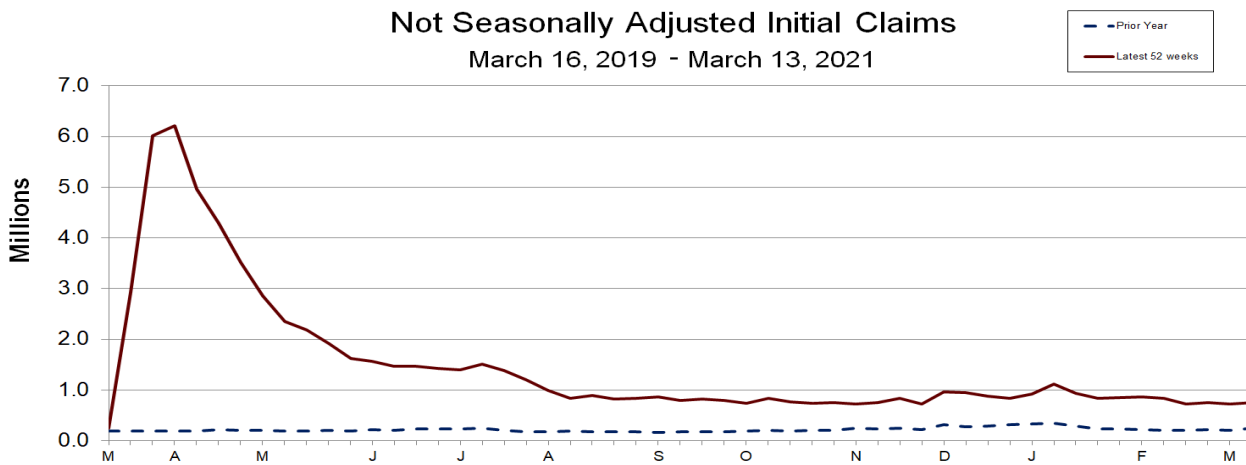
Seasonally Adjusted Insured Unemployment
March 7, 2020 - March 6, 2021



UNADJUSTED DATA

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 746,496 in the week ending March 13, an increase of 24,318 (or 3.4 percent) from the previous week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 20,961 (or -2.9 percent) from the previous week. There were 251,416 initial claims in the comparable week in 2020. In addition, for the week ending March 13, 53 states reported 282,394 initial claims for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 3.2 percent during the week ending March 6, unchanged from the prior week. The advance unadjusted level of insured unemployment in state programs totaled 4,486,389, a decrease of 95,541 (or -2.1 percent) from the preceding week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 77,947 (or -1.7 percent) from the previous week. A year earlier the rate was 1.4 percent and the volume was 1,977,272.



The total number of continued weeks claimed for benefits in all programs for the week ending February 27 was 18,216,463, a decrease of 1,902,005 from the previous week. There were 2,087,219 weekly claims filed for benefits in all programs in the comparable week in 2020.

During the week ending February 27, Extended Benefits were available in the following 17 states: Alaska, California, Colorado, Connecticut, District of Columbia, Illinois, Massachusetts, Michigan, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, Texas, and the Virgin Islands.

Initial claims for UI benefits filed by former Federal civilian employees totaled 1,286 in the week ending March 6, a decrease of 98 from the prior week. There were 699 initial claims filed by newly discharged veterans, a decrease of 29 from the preceding week.

There were 19,647 continued weeks claimed filed by former Federal civilian employees the week ending February 27, a decrease of 290 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 8,271, a decrease of 269 from the prior week.

During the week ending February 27, 51 states reported 7,615,386 continued weekly claims for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance benefits and 51 states reported 4,815,348 continued claims for Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation benefits.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending February 27 were in Pennsylvania (6.1), Alaska (5.6), Nevada (5.4), the Virgin Islands (5.1), Connecticut (5.0), New York (4.7), Rhode Island (4.5), Illinois (4.4), Massachusetts (4.4), and California (4.2).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending March 6 were in California (+17,793), Ohio (+7,686), Massachusetts (+2,200), Alabama (+1,968), and Virginia (+1,581), while the largest decreases were in New York (-11,906), Illinois (-10,628), Mississippi (-10,549), Texas (-6,932), and Kentucky (-4,580).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

WEEK ENDING	March 13	March 6	Change	February 27	Prior Year ¹
Initial Claims (SA)	770,000	725,000	+45,000	754,000	282,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	746,496	722,178	+24,318	756,629	251,416
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	746,250	762,250	-16,000	793,000	232,500

WEEK ENDING	March 6	February 27	Change	February 20	Prior Year ¹
Insured Unemployment (SA)	4,124,000	4,142,000	-18,000	4,337,000	1,702,000
Insured Unemployment (NSA)	4,486,389	4,581,930	-95,541	4,848,399	1,977,272
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	4,255,500	4,354,500	-99,000	4,458,500	1,703,500
Insured Unemployment Rate (SA) ²	3.0%	2.9%	+0.1	3.1%	1.2%
Insured Unemployment Rate (NSA) ²	3.2%	3.2%	0.0	3.4%	1.4%

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	March 13	March 6	Change	February 27
Pandemic Unemployment Assistance	282,394	478,914	-196,520	428,331

WEEK ENDING	March 6	February 27	Change	Prior Year ¹
Federal Employees (UCFE)	1,286	1,384	-98	553
Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX)	699	728	-29	507

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

WEEK ENDING	February 27	February 20	Change	Prior Year ¹
Regular State	4,547,801	4,808,623	-260,822	2,054,152
Federal Employees	19,647	19,937	-290	10,496
Newly Discharged Veterans	8,271	8,540	-269	5,352
Pandemic Unemployment Assistance ³	7,615,386	8,387,969	-772,583	NA
Pandemic Emergency UC ⁴	4,815,348	5,456,080	-640,732	NA
Extended Benefits ⁵	1,104,427	1,320,674	-216,247	0
State Additional Benefits ⁶	1,807	1,909	-102	5,641
STC / Workshare ⁷	103,776	114,736	-10,960	11,578
TOTAL ⁸	18,216,463	20,118,468	-1,902,005	2,087,219

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 139,248,565 as denominator.
3. Information on the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) program can be found in UIPL 16-20: [PUA Program information](#)
4. Information on the Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) program can be found in Unemployment Insurance Program Letter (UIPL) 17-20: [PEUC Program information](#)
5. Information on the EB program can be found here: [EB Program information](#)
6. 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 4-4 of this link: [Extensions and Special Programs PDF](#)
7. Information on STC/Worksharing can be found starting on page 4-8 of the following link: [Extensions and Special Programs PDF](#)
8. Totals include PUA Unemployment for the appropriate corresponding week.

Advance State Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

STATE	Initial Claims Filed During Week Ended March 13			Insured Unemployment For Week Ended March 6		
	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Advance	Prior Wk	Change
Alabama	15,796	13,592	2,204	14,193	16,979	-2,786
Alaska	3,365	3,340	25	15,498	16,622	-1,124
Arizona	4,636	4,244	392	43,961	60,271	-16,310
Arkansas	2,689	3,806	-1,117	21,937	24,848	-2,911
California	108,562	106,771	1,791	688,414	705,063	-16,649
Colorado	12,043	11,966	77	92,793	91,729	1,064
Connecticut	4,656	4,927	-271	76,584	79,639	-3,055
Delaware	1,807	1,727	80	12,959	12,593	366
District of Columbia	1,152	1,193	-41	18,610	19,499	-889
Florida	16,709	19,281	-2,572	122,885	141,484	-18,599
Georgia	21,939	24,974	-3,035	136,218	140,918	-4,700
Hawaii	2,694	2,469	225	19,280	18,486	794
Idaho	3,414	4,198	-784	12,215	13,968	-1,753
Illinois	74,630	57,483	17,147	245,647	249,256	-3,609
Indiana	17,989	9,237	8,752	64,983	69,343	-4,360
Iowa	5,973	5,182	791	40,699	44,013	-3,314
Kansas	1,243	2,564	-1,321	18,085	22,233	-4,148
Kentucky	10,118	9,277	841	36,064	44,700	-8,636
Louisiana*	5,388	7,100	-1,712	48,141	48,016	125
Maine	1,811	1,479	332	15,434	16,342	-908
Maryland	7,920	7,704	216	51,523	61,234	-9,711
Massachusetts	18,741	16,970	1,771	133,009	150,131	-17,122
Michigan	11,060	11,393	-333	157,026	158,158	-1,132
Minnesota	9,033	8,111	922	108,166	108,255	-89
Mississippi	7,015	7,403	-388	29,155	30,983	-1,828
Missouri	6,499	7,476	-977	48,856	54,954	-6,098
Montana	1,449	1,463	-14	15,360	16,172	-812
Nebraska	1,545	1,551	-6	13,505	14,438	-933
Nevada	10,605	10,548	57	68,712	72,058	-3,346
New Hampshire	2,604	2,943	-339	24,237	25,051	-814
New Jersey	8,872	9,857	-985	126,036	127,848	-1,812
New Mexico	2,670	2,338	332	31,776	32,949	-1,173
New York	45,662	48,224	-2,562	443,267	426,285	16,982
North Carolina	7,419	8,155	-736	54,158	59,197	-5,039
North Dakota	613	581	32	9,474	9,151	323
Ohio	113,492	128,192	-14,700	185,113	182,820	2,293
Oklahoma	6,510	7,076	-566	27,669	34,533	-6,864
Oregon	6,518	7,115	-597	72,570	69,222	3,348
Pennsylvania	19,293	20,837	-1,544	290,087	302,385	-12,298
Puerto Rico	1,184	1,279	-95	28,351	27,134	1,217
Rhode Island	4,102	4,826	-724	19,205	20,590	-1,385
South Carolina	2,752	5,480	-2,728	37,716	41,899	-4,183
South Dakota	293	298	-5	5,050	5,671	-621
Tennessee	7,580	7,999	-419	45,432	50,633	-5,201
Texas	70,369	49,366	21,003	357,013	315,582	41,431
Utah	2,282	2,442	-160	14,435	15,151	-716
Vermont	798	990	-192	12,053	12,195	-142
Virgin Islands	111	163	-52	2,126	1,882	244
Virginia	23,839	13,736	10,103	61,459	62,269	-810
Washington	12,058	12,234	-176	139,040	130,265	8,775
West Virginia	3,941	7,543	-3,602	23,211	21,478	1,733
Wisconsin	12,295	12,216	79	101,400	100,158	1,242
Wyoming	758	859	-101	5,599	5,197	402
US Total	746,496	722,178	24,318	4,486,389	4,581,930	-95,541

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 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	
March 7, 2020	211	-6	215.75	1,702	3	1,703.50	1.2
March 14, 2020	282	71	232.50	1,784	82	1,726.25	1.2
March 21, 2020	3,307	3,025	1,004.25	3,059	1,275	2,061.00	2.1
March 28, 2020	6,867	3,560	2,666.75	7,446	4,387	3,497.75	5.1
April 4, 2020	6,615	-252	4,267.75	11,914	4,468	6,050.75	8.2
April 11, 2020	5,237	-1,378	5,506.50	15,819	3,905	9,559.50	10.9
April 18, 2020	4,442	-795	5,790.25	18,011	2,192	13,297.50	12.4
April 25, 2020	3,867	-575	5,040.25	22,377	4,366	17,030.25	15.4
May 2, 2020	3,176	-691	4,180.50	22,548	171	19,688.75	15.5
May 9, 2020	2,687	-489	3,543.00	24,912	2,364	21,962.00	17.1
May 16, 2020	2,446	-241	3,044.00	20,841	-4,071	22,669.50	14.3
May 23, 2020	2,123	-323	2,608.00	21,268	427	22,392.25	14.6
May 30, 2020	1,897	-226	2,288.25	20,606	-662	21,906.75	14.1
June 6, 2020	1,566	-331	2,008.00	20,289	-317	20,751.00	13.9
June 13, 2020	1,540	-26	1,781.50	19,231	-1,058	20,348.50	13.2
June 20, 2020	1,482	-58	1,621.25	18,760	-471	19,721.50	12.9
June 27, 2020	1,408	-74	1,499.00	17,760	-1,000	19,010.00	12.2
July 4, 2020	1,310	-98	1,435.00	17,304	-456	18,263.75	11.8
July 11, 2020	1,308	-2	1,377.00	16,151	-1,153	17,493.75	11.1
July 18, 2020	1,422	114	1,362.00	16,951	800	17,041.50	11.6
July 25, 2020	1,435	13	1,368.75	16,090	-861	16,624.00	11.0
August 1, 2020	1,191	-244	1,339.00	15,480	-610	16,168.00	10.6
August 8, 2020	971	-220	1,254.75	14,759	-721	15,820.00	10.1
August 15, 2020	1,104	133	1,175.25	14,492	-267	15,205.25	9.9
August 22, 2020	1,011	-93	1,069.25	13,292	-1,200	14,505.75	9.1
August 29, 2020	884	-127	992.50	13,544	252	14,021.75	9.3
September 5, 2020	893	9	973.00	12,747	-797	13,518.75	8.7
September 12, 2020	866	-27	913.50	12,747	0	13,082.50	8.7
September 19, 2020	873	7	879.00	11,979	-768	12,754.25	8.2
September 26, 2020	849	-24	870.25	10,594	-1,385	12,016.75	7.2
October 3, 2020	767	-82	838.75	9,398	-1,196	11,179.50	6.4
October 10, 2020	842	75	832.75	8,472	-926	10,110.75	5.8
October 17, 2020	797	-45	813.75	7,823	-649	9,071.75	5.3
October 24, 2020	758	-39	791.00	7,222	-601	8,228.75	4.9
October 31, 2020	757	-1	788.50	6,798	-424	7,578.75	4.6
November 7, 2020	711	-46	755.75	6,370	-428	7,053.25	4.3
November 14, 2020	748	37	743.50	6,089	-281	6,619.75	4.2
November 21, 2020	787	39	750.75	5,527	-562	6,196.00	3.8
November 28, 2020	716	-71	740.50	5,781	254	5,941.75	3.9
December 5, 2020	862	146	778.25	5,507	-274	5,726.00	3.8
December 12, 2020	892	30	814.25	5,322	-185	5,534.25	3.6
December 19, 2020	806	-86	819.00	5,198	-124	5,452.00	3.5
December 26, 2020	782	-24	835.50	5,072	-126	5,274.75	3.5
January 2, 2021	784	2	816.00	5,175	103	5,191.75	3.6
January 9, 2021	927	143	824.75	4,975	-200	5,105.00	3.5
January 16, 2021	875	-52	842.00	4,785	-190	5,001.75	3.4
January 23, 2021	812	-63	849.50	4,691	-94	4,906.50	3.3
January 30, 2021	812	0	856.50	4,558	-133	4,752.25	3.2
February 6, 2021	848	36	836.75	4,520	-38	4,638.50	3.2
February 13, 2021	834	-14	826.50	4,419	-101	4,547.00	3.1
February 20, 2021	736	-98	807.50	4,337	-82	4,458.50	3.1
February 27, 2021	754	18	793.00	4,142	-195	4,354.50	2.9
March 6, 2021	725	-29	762.25	4,124	-18	4,255.50	3.0
March 13, 2021	770	45	746.25				

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

STATE	PUA Initial Claims Filed During Week Ended March 13			PUA Continued Claims For Week Ended Feb 27		
	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Feb 27	Feb 20	Change
Alabama	2,714	2,373	341	30,105	29,749	356
Alaska	272	483	-211	9,700	9,840	-140
Arizona	1,837	1,943	-106	85,121	84,027	1,094
Arkansas	881	913	-32	41,200	57,298	-16,098
California	27,545	36,756	-9,211	1,130,582	1,938,650	-808,068
Colorado	1,473	1,454	19	48,923	47,789	1,134
Connecticut	471	449	22	38,515	38,552	-37
Delaware	59	65	-6	5,837	5,031	806
District of Columbia	112	103	9	15,536	15,519	17
Florida	3,860	2,925	935	0	0	0
Georgia	2,495	2,459	36	178,958	177,602	1,356
Hawaii	565	622	-57	44,772	61,953	-17,181
Idaho	18	108	-90	6,436	6,973	-537
Illinois	21,163	15,561	5,602	210,557	205,319	5,238
Indiana	23,751	20,487	3,264	250,585	203,892	46,693
Iowa	623	656	-33	12,628	12,641	-13
Kansas	429	522	-93	19,075	21,842	-2,767
Kentucky	11,905	14,128	-2,223	21,197	25,900	-4,703
Louisiana	1,221	1,194	27	112,342	111,705	637
Maine	309	126	183	13,449	13,697	-248
Maryland	14,911	5,010	9,901	247,037	208,455	38,582
Massachusetts	3,114	3,572	-458	286,455	456,752	-170,297
Michigan	3,616	3,721	-105	503,305	221,061	282,244
Minnesota	4	4	0	41,985	41,964	21
Mississippi	755	754	1	31,190	31,649	-459
Missouri	1,195	1,085	110	41,757	41,280	477
Montana	572	549	23	16,172	18,864	-2,692
Nebraska	119	69	50	3,216	3,339	-123
Nevada	4,086	5,152	-1,066	76,896	79,600	-2,704
New Hampshire	65	58	7	10,685	10,894	-209
New Jersey	4,844	4,544	300	347,019	356,264	-9,245
New Mexico	1,733	1,419	314	36,611	38,380	-1,769
New York	43,017	46,990	-3,973	1,290,712	1,255,245	35,467
North Carolina	3,472	3,500	-28	95,448	97,809	-2,361
North Dakota	216	247	-31	3,639	3,546	93
Ohio	44,767	261,694	-216,927	674,318	727,159	-52,841
Oklahoma	671	475	196	18,436	19,317	-881
Oregon	13,964	12,857	1,107	220,591	146,556	74,035
Pennsylvania	12,893	5,324	7,569	363,048	399,591	-36,543
Puerto Rico	5,267	1,995	3,272	187,476	199,275	-11,799
Rhode Island	2,034	3,042	-1,008	40,338	40,901	-563
South Carolina	1,681	1,813	-132	52,780	53,344	-564
South Dakota	7	12	-5	767	527	240
Tennessee	2,980	1,525	1,455	66,524	65,642	882
Texas	5,748	4,202	1,546	372,414	490,054	-117,640
Utah	436	434	2	2,102	2,387	-285
Vermont	69	58	11	8,745	8,761	-16
Virgin Islands	1	19	-18	0	0	0
Virginia	1,630	1,434	196	171,364	172,540	-1,176
Washington	3,053	2,360	693	104,744	104,174	570
West Virginia	1,120	523	597	9,961	10,358	-397
Wisconsin	2,556	989	1,567	12,489	12,666	-177
Wyoming	95	157	-62	1,644	1,636	8
US Total	282,394	478,914	-196,520	7,615,386	8,387,969	-772,583

Note: Information on the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) program can be found in UIPL 16-20: [PUA Program information](#). Backdated claims may be included in these figures.

Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation Continued Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

STATE	PEUC Claims Filed During Weeks Ended:				
	February 27	February 20	Change	February 13	February 6
Alabama	64,171	62,895	1,276	61,730	61,142
Alaska	15,633	15,289	344	13,777	12,321
Arizona	75,836	75,982	-146	71,918	71,540
Arkansas	23,271	23,792	-521	16,859	23,653
California	1,012,743	1,793,290	-780,547	813,651	1,504,898
Colorado	75,589	74,893	696	21,652	25,767
Connecticut	80,858	80,858	0	71,767	74,410
Delaware	13,270	13,063	207	12,569	12,603
District of Columbia	9,781	10,110	-329	10,926	12,829
Florida	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	0	0	0	0	0
Hawaii	35,794	60,347	-24,553	55,428	27,512
Idaho	7,761	7,992	-231	7,122	6,943
Illinois	272,019	250,834	21,185	251,700	236,759
Indiana	80,649	80,427	222	79,817	80,829
Iowa	39,406	72,604	-33,198	46,909	8,584
Kansas	14,098	5,470	8,628	1,664	268
Kentucky	39,440	36,783	2,657	39,672	37,114
Louisiana	81,316	80,650	666	78,092	78,033
Maine	19,687	19,647	40	19,292	19,185
Maryland	82,313	80,169	2,144	80,310	79,391
Massachusetts	79,615	83,638	-4,023	86,831	88,654
Michigan	254,543	128,905	125,638	237,242	96,516
Minnesota	141,818	140,119	1,699	139,207	140,100
Mississippi	29,707	30,035	-328	30,781	35,044
Missouri	22,090	24,226	-2,136	22,519	23,619
Montana	9,458	9,519	-61	9,089	9,257
Nebraska	5,769	5,504	265	5,156	4,932
Nevada	71,695	56,295	15,400	56,507	59,448
New Hampshire	11,472	11,390	82	11,118	10,901
New Jersey	207,332	213,885	-6,553	255,935	362,036
New Mexico	21,619	24,025	-2,406	23,087	16,572
New York	779,633	775,548	4,085	754,700	762,088
North Carolina	198,643	198,159	484	193,528	193,039
North Dakota	8,118	8,079	39	8,220	8,607
Ohio	136,376	136,221	155	131,907	134,240
Oklahoma	48,785	49,705	-920	49,336	48,556
Oregon	95,964	83,270	12,694	76,994	75,271
Pennsylvania	274,564	258,073	16,491	264,750	244,796
Puerto Rico	62,484	80,800	-18,316	64,351	87,091
Rhode Island	19,948	18,029	1,919	17,417	17,248
South Carolina	84,979	85,691	-712	86,981	87,667
South Dakota	1,241	1,409	-168	1,162	1,219
Tennessee	61,613	61,083	530	59,696	60,185
Texas	10,054	10,947	-893	10,394	7,466
Utah	12,989	12,931	58	12,690	12,447
Vermont	13,755	13,881	-126	13,376	13,567
Virgin Islands	36	20	16	96	27
Virginia	29,425	35,203	-5,778	37,021	38,033
Washington	3,554	3,133	421	3,153	3,542
West Virginia	22,807	22,370	437	21,709	22,084
Wisconsin	46,130	23,538	22,592	23,458	24,603
Wyoming	5,497	5,354	143	5,123	4,887
US Total	4,815,348	5,456,080	-640,732	4,468,389	5,067,523

Note: Information on the Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) program can be found in Unemployment Insurance Program Letter (UIPL) 17-20: [PEUC Program information](#)

Extended Benefits (EB) Continued Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

STATE	EB Claims Filed During Weeks Ended:		
	February 27	February 20	Change
Alabama	0	0	0
Alaska	605	770	-165
Arizona	9,008	9,784	-776
Arkansas	66	87	-21
California	410,030	380,193	29,837
Colorado	268	288	-20
Connecticut	12,974	13,833	-859
Delaware	1	3	-2
District of Columbia	23	19	4
Florida	0	0	0
Georgia	0	0	0
Hawaii	124	107	17
Idaho	52	69	-17
Illinois	47,592	65,832	-18,240
Indiana	22	37	-15
Iowa	37	58	-21
Kansas	535	905	-370
Kentucky	0	0	0
Louisiana	91	88	3
Maine	69	84	-15
Maryland	642	1	641
Massachusetts	44,927	60,546	-15,619
Michigan	2	89,314	-89,312
Minnesota	15	10	5
Mississippi	243	247	-4
Missouri	122	470	-348
Montana	40	46	-6
Nebraska	0	0	0
Nevada	64,961	78,221	-13,260
New Hampshire	182	200	-18
New Jersey	75,118	75,184	-66
New Mexico	20,587	21,088	-501
New York	204,141	221,960	-17,819
North Carolina	404	1,216	-812
North Dakota	4	4	0
Ohio	184	179	5
Oklahoma	0	0	0
Oregon	591	15,646	-15,055
Pennsylvania	48,702	52,170	-3,468
Puerto Rico	20,695	29,246	-8,551
Rhode Island	5,496	7,324	-1,828
South Carolina	136	162	-26
South Dakota	0	0	0
Tennessee	150	121	29
Texas	112,142	169,005	-56,863
Utah	0	0	0
Vermont	19	29	-10
Virgin Islands	16	26	-10
Virginia	612	743	-131
Washington	22,135	24,106	-1,971
West Virginia	46	14	32
Wisconsin	604	1,231	-627
Wyoming	14	8	6
US Total	1,104,427	1,320,674	-216,247

Note: Information on the EB program can be found here: [EB Program information](#)

STATE NAME	INITIAL CLAIMS FILED DURING WEEK ENDED MARCH 6							INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT FOR WEEK ENDED FEBRUARY 27					ALL PROGRAMS EXCLUDING RAILROAD RETIREMENT
	STATE	CHANGE FROM		UCFE ¹	UCX ¹	STATE (%) ²	LAST WEEK	CHANGE FROM		UCFE ¹	UCX ¹		
		LAST WEEK	YEAR AGO					LAST WEEK	YEAR AGO				
Alabama	13,592	1,968	11,929	41	20	16,979	0.9	-1,958	3,322	73	37	17,089	
Alaska	3,340	-441	2,525	11	3	16,622	5.6	-844	8,356	256	29	16,907	
Arizona	4,244	153	887	7	3	60,271	2.1	-2,693	42,678	286	124	60,681	
Arkansas	3,806	-2,258	1,963	4	9	24,848	2.1	-2,827	13,230	148	23	25,019	
California	106,771	17,793	63,386	203	61	705,063	4.2	-60,862	326,199	3,846	1,456	710,365	
Colorado	11,966	-1,106	10,101	5	6	91,729	3.5	16,195	68,821	269	162	92,160	
Connecticut	4,927	-853	2,400	15	6	79,639	5.0	-5,730	39,001	361	81	80,081	
Delaware	1,727	-79	1,209	7	2	12,593	2.8	-1,376	7,113	57	28	12,678	
District of Columbia	1,193	157	722	55	0	19,499	3.5	-1,110	12,707	891	10	20,400	
Florida	19,281	261	13,956	53	70	141,484	1.7	-15,011	109,222	492	285	142,261	
Georgia	24,974	-3,413	20,405	72	37	140,918	3.3	-5,262	115,839	674	336	141,928	
Hawaii	2,469	-200	1,194	10	4	18,486	3.2	-2,688	12,439	193	94	18,773	
Idaho	4,198	-815	3,260	21	2	13,968	1.9	-1,339	3,801	315	15	14,298	
Illinois	57,483	-10,628	48,756	8	6	249,256	4.4	-10,835	112,860	785	206	250,247	
Indiana	9,237	-844	7,014	40	8	69,343	2.4	-3,427	46,757	239	81	69,663	
Iowa	5,182	966	2,961	13	2	44,013	2.9	-4,376	14,589	108	41	44,162	
Kansas	2,564	-996	1,199	0	0	22,233	1.7	6,713	11,230	45	18	22,296	
Kentucky	9,277	-4,580	6,814	2	2	44,700	2.4	5,992	21,930	101	81	44,882	
Louisiana	7,100	119	5,402	14	6	48,016	2.6	-5,196	33,817	97	25	48,138	
Maine	1,479	-198	764	2	0	16,342	2.8	-897	7,603	54	15	16,411	
Maryland	7,704	-175	5,029	51	0	61,234	2.5	-1,274	33,173	321	55	61,610	
Massachusetts	16,970	2,200	12,258	18	20	150,131	4.4	-23,888	74,579	325	106	150,562	
Michigan	11,393	-104	6,243	0	1	158,158	3.9	-20,058	80,497	271	106	158,535	
Minnesota	8,111	-695	4,623	10	7	108,255	3.9	-3,552	45,488	227	92	108,574	
Mississippi	7,403	-10,549	6,524	2	3	30,983	2.9	-16,382	23,567	144	22	31,149	
Missouri	7,476	-1,812	4,482	9	5	54,954	2.1	-14,729	29,729	142	22	55,118	
Montana	1,463	30	749	21	4	16,172	3.6	-669	5,390	535	19	16,726	
Nebraska	1,551	-167	1,050	1	0	14,438	1.5	-1,297	8,857	24	10	14,472	
Nevada	10,548	1,340	8,239	3	1	72,058	5.4	-489	52,208	222	94	72,374	
New Hampshire	2,943	496	2,448	3	7	25,051	3.9	-156	20,576	41	3	25,095	
New Jersey	9,857	-528	1,861	20	7	127,848	3.3	-4,603	20,202	405	266	128,519	
New Mexico	2,338	-812	1,648	2	1	32,949	4.2	-2,025	23,104	489	114	33,552	
New York	48,224	-11,906	34,189	18	23	426,285	4.7	-17,622	264,393	463	447	427,195	
North Carolina	8,155	184	5,580	28	35	59,197	1.4	-4,012	39,001	257	232	59,686	
North Dakota	581	-57	158	2	2	9,151	2.3	-611	2,608	18	7	9,176	
Ohio	128,192	7,686	121,647	15	25	182,820	3.4	-9,420	109,697	262	205	183,287	
Oklahoma	7,076	-117	5,507	20	7	34,533	2.2	-861	17,466	161	53	34,747	
Oregon	7,115	-1,050	2,961	47	9	69,222	3.7	-3,727	39,705	925	151	70,298	
Pennsylvania	20,837	-3,269	8,610	110	27	302,385	6.1	-5,847	165,454	1,451	444	304,280	
Puerto Rico	1,279	0	-64	3	3	27,134	3.2	-5,544	8,477	387	30	27,551	
Rhode Island	4,826	-961	4,126	1	3	20,590	4.5	-1,565	9,460	93	27	20,710	
South Carolina	5,480	1,577	3,591	10	15	41,899	2.1	-1,619	26,558	63	85	42,047	
South Dakota	298	-143	113	4	0	5,671	1.4	-295	2,612	110	2	5,783	
Tennessee	7,999	-2,779	5,967	25	9	50,633	1.5	-8,040	31,598	85	34	50,752	
Texas	49,366	-6,932	35,011	202	188	315,582	2.6	-2,966	190,330	1,220	1,560	318,362	
Utah	2,442	220	1,427	26	3	15,151	1.0	-734	4,074	207	22	15,380	
Vermont	990	-13	544	0	0	12,195	4.2	108	6,976	24	0	12,219	
Virgin Islands	163	32	99	0	0	1,882	5.1	142	1,296	2	2	1,886	
Virginia	13,736	1,581	11,209	11	9	62,269	1.7	-1,729	39,555	323	228	62,820	
Washington	12,234	-1,268	5,618	12	27	130,265	3.9	-8,876	73,752	675	570	131,510	
West Virginia	7,543	-250	6,510	4	1	21,478	3.4	-2,041	5,368	192	40	21,710	
Wisconsin	12,216	-1,094	7,164	17	9	100,158	3.6	-4,116	57,821	206	72	100,436	
Wyoming	859	-122	325	8	1	5,197	2.0	-441	1,689	87	4	5,288	
Totals	722,178	-34,451	522,293	1,286	699	4,581,930	3.2	-266,469	2,526,774	19,647	8,271	4,609,848	

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 MARCH 6, 2021

STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
CA	+17,793	Layoffs in the service industry.
OH	+7,686	No comment.
MA	+2,200	No comment.
AL	+1,968	Layoffs in the retail trade, administrative and support and waste management and remediation services, accommodation and food services, and health care and social assistance industries.
VA	+1,581	Layoffs in the accommodation and food service industry.
SC	+1,577	No comment.
NV	+1,340	No comment.

STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
NY	-11,906	Fewer layoffs in the transportation and warehousing, construction, and educational services industries.
IL	-10,628	No comment.
MS	-10,549	No comment.
TX	-6,932	No comment.
KY	-4,580	No comment.
GA	-3,413	Fewer layoffs the construction, trade, accommodations and food services, manufacturing, and transportation and warehousing industries.
PA	-3,269	Fewer layoffs in the transportation and warehousing, construction, and accommodations and food services industries.
TN	-2,779	No comment.
AR	-2,258	No comment.
MO	-1,812	Fewer layoffs in the construction, manufacturing, and accommodation and food services industries.
WA	-1,268	No comment.
CO	-1,106	No comment.
WI	-1,094	No comment.
OR	-1,050	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.

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