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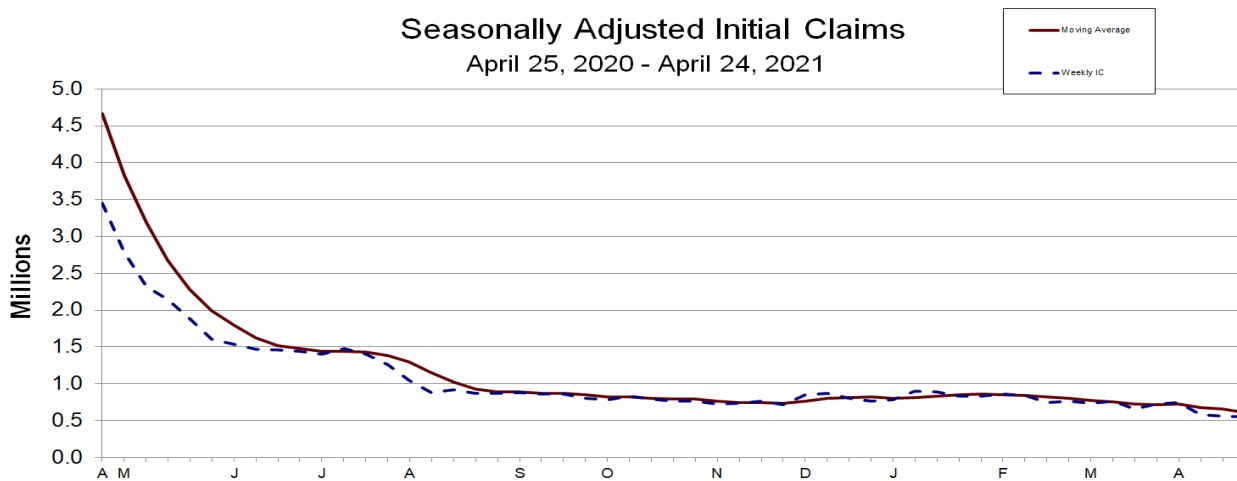
## UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS

### SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

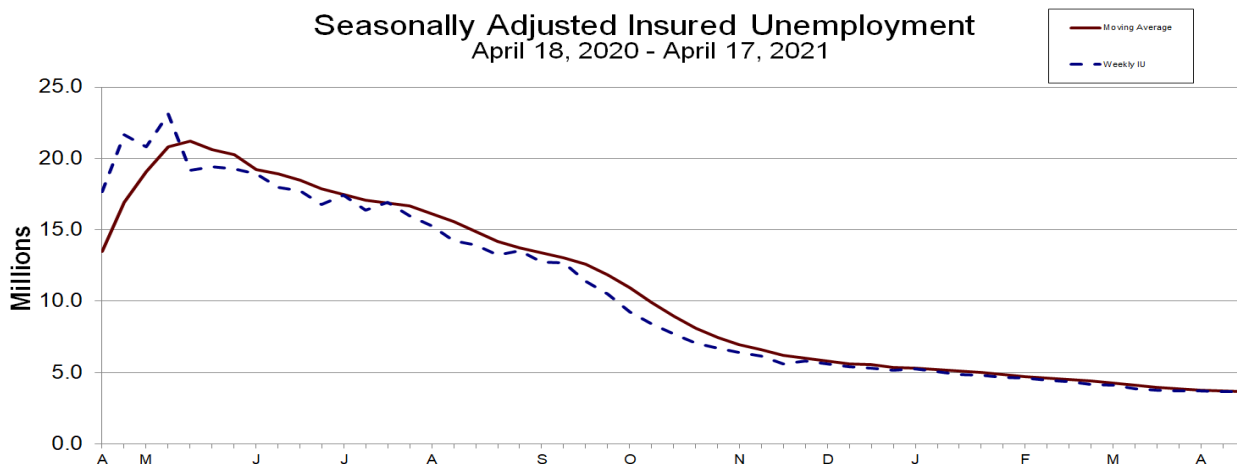
In the week ending April 24, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 553,000, a decrease of 13,000 from the previous week's revised level. The previous week's level was revised up by 19,000 from 547,000 to 566,000. The 4-week moving average was 611,750, a decrease of 44,000 from the previous week's revised average. This is the lowest level for this average since March 14, 2020 when it was 225,500. The previous week's average was revised up by 4,750 from 651,000 to 655,750.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 2.6 percent for the week ending April 17, unchanged from the previous week's unrevised rate. The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending April 17 was 3,660,000, an increase of 9,000 from the previous week's revised level. The previous week's level was revised down by 23,000 from 3,674,000 to 3,651,000. The 4-week moving average was 3,684,000, a decrease of 23,250 from the previous week's revised average. This is the lowest level for this average since March 28, 2020 when it was 3,611,750. The previous week's average was revised down by 5,750 from 3,713,000 to 3,707,250.

Seasonally Adjusted Initial Claims  
April 25, 2020 - April 24, 2021



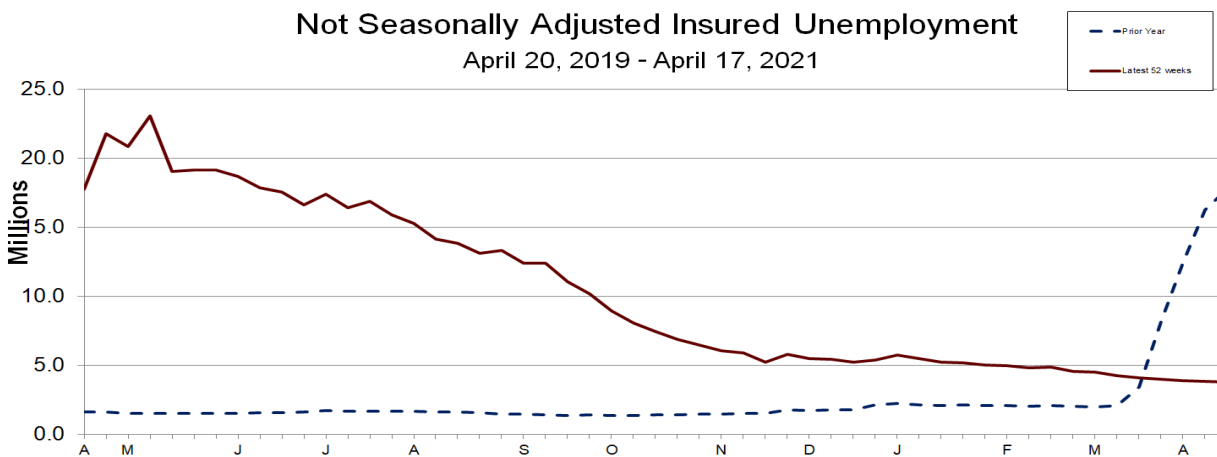
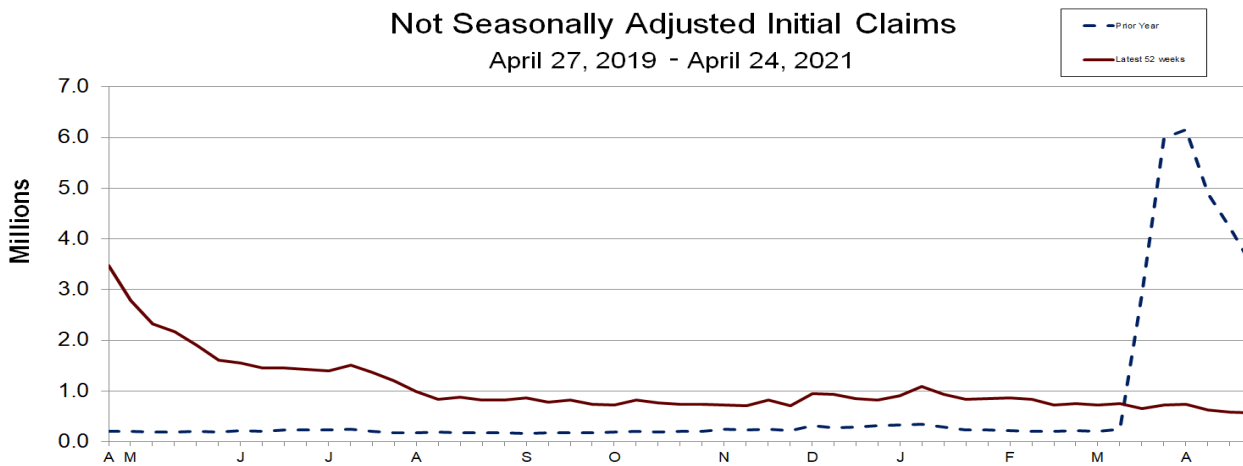
Seasonally Adjusted Insured Unemployment  
April 18, 2020 - April 17, 2021



**UNADJUSTED DATA**

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 575,350 in the week ending April 24, a decrease of 9,486 (or -1.6 percent) from the previous week. The seasonal factors had expected an increase of 2,706 (or 0.5 percent) from the previous week. There were 3,468,261 initial claims in the comparable week in 2020. In addition, for the week ending April 24, 53 states reported 121,749 initial claims for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 2.7 percent during the week ending April 17, a decrease of 0.1 percentage point from the prior week. The advance unadjusted level of insured unemployment in state programs totaled 3,790,527, a decrease of 49,902 (or -1.3 percent) from the preceding week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 58,556 (or -1.5 percent) from the previous week. A year earlier the rate was 12.2 percent and the volume was 17,770,222.



The total number of continued weeks claimed for benefits in all programs for the week ending April 10 was 16,559,276, a decrease of 845,874 from the previous week. There were 16,319,176 weekly claims filed for benefits in all programs in the comparable week in 2020.

During the week ending April 10, Extended Benefits were available in the following 15 states: Alaska, California, Colorado, Connecticut, District of Columbia, Illinois, Massachusetts, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Texas, and the Virgin Islands.

Initial claims for UI benefits filed by former Federal civilian employees totaled 1,103 in the week ending April 17, a decrease of 50 from the prior week. There were 556 initial claims filed by newly discharged veterans, a decrease of 24 from the preceding week.

There were 15,389 continued weeks claimed filed by former Federal civilian employees the week ending April 10, a decrease of 508 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 7,809, an increase of 72 from the prior week.

During the week ending April 10, 51 states reported 6,974,068 continued weekly claims for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance benefits and 51 states reported 5,192,711 continued claims for Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation benefits.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending April 10 were in Nevada (5.9), Connecticut (5.3), Alaska (4.9), New York (4.6), Illinois (4.3), Vermont (4.1), Rhode Island (4.0), Pennsylvania (3.9), District of Columbia (3.7), and New Mexico (3.7).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending April 17 were in Virginia (+8,717), Michigan (+6,300), Indiana (+4,484), Utah (+4,060), and California (+3,417), while the largest decreases were in Texas (-20,036), New York (-16,840), Georgia (-6,001), Florida (-5,564), and Washington (-4,031).

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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

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<b>WEEK ENDING</b>	<b>April 24</b>	<b>April 17</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>April 10</b>	<b>Prior Year<sup>1</sup></b>
Initial Claims (SA)	553,000	566,000	-13,000	586,000	3,451,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	575,350	584,836	-9,486	622,628	3,468,261
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	611,750	655,750	-44,000	678,750	4,667,750

<b>WEEK ENDING</b>	<b>April 17</b>	<b>April 10</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>April 3</b>	<b>Prior Year<sup>1</sup></b>
Insured Unemployment (SA)	3,660,000	3,651,000	+9,000	3,708,000	17,656,000
Insured Unemployment (NSA)	3,790,527	3,840,429	-49,902	3,913,719	17,770,222
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	3,684,000	3,707,250	-23,250	3,754,750	13,463,750
Insured Unemployment Rate (SA) <sup>2</sup>	2.6%	2.6%	0.0	2.7%	12.1%
Insured Unemployment Rate (NSA) <sup>2</sup>	2.7%	2.8%	-0.1	2.8%	12.2%

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INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

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<b>WEEK ENDING</b>	<b>April 24</b>	<b>April 17</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>April 10</b>
Pandemic Unemployment Assistance	121,749	133,358	-11,609	129,697

<b>WEEK ENDING</b>	<b>April 17</b>	<b>April 10</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Prior Year<sup>1</sup></b>
Federal Employees (UCFE)	1,103	1,153	-50	2,160
Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX)	556	580	-24	1,519

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

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<b>WEEK ENDING</b>	<b>April 10</b>	<b>April 3</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Prior Year<sup>1</sup></b>
Regular State	3,813,109	3,886,198	-73,089	16,229,211
Federal Employees	15,389	15,897	-508	13,353
Newly Discharged Veterans	7,809	7,737	+72	8,202
Pandemic Unemployment Assistance <sup>3</sup>	6,974,068	7,309,604	-335,536	NA
Pandemic Emergency UC <sup>4</sup>	5,192,711	5,605,935	-413,224	NA
Extended Benefits <sup>5</sup>	471,216	492,999	-21,783	232
State Additional Benefits <sup>6</sup>	1,634	1,797	-163	5,850
STC / Workshare <sup>7</sup>	83,340	84,983	-1,643	62,328
<b>TOTAL<sup>8</sup></b>	<b>16,559,276</b>	<b>17,405,150</b>	<b>-845,874</b>	<b>16,319,176</b>

**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 April 24			Insured Unemployment For Week Ended April 17		
	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Advance	Prior Wk	Change
Alabama*	8,704	8,983	-279	16,385	19,524	-3,139
Alaska	3,637	3,904	-267	13,240	14,115	-875
Arizona	6,697	6,308	389	49,774	51,376	-1,602
Arkansas	2,470	3,213	-743	18,294	18,312	-18
California	75,520	72,875	2,645	592,506	573,254	19,252
Colorado	5,737	6,741	-1,004	63,301	63,456	-155
Connecticut	5,875	7,223	-1,348	83,061	82,460	601
Delaware	3,973	3,842	131	11,126	10,563	563
District of Columbia	2,818	3,268	-450	19,755	20,511	-756
Florida	23,600	18,838	4,762	119,947	123,557	-3,610
Georgia	25,572	32,381	-6,809	126,435	143,898	-17,463
Hawaii	3,157	3,598	-441	18,057	17,583	474
Idaho	3,055	4,484	-1,429	8,948	10,141	-1,193
Illinois	14,997	15,248	-251	232,178	239,827	-7,649
Indiana	14,334	14,026	308	59,196	58,333	863
Iowa	3,893	6,981	-3,088	31,149	32,950	-1,801
Kansas	1,652	1,989	-337	8,934	8,797	137
Kentucky	7,386	5,958	1,428	23,253	15,066	8,187
Louisiana	6,303	8,829	-2,526	49,569	52,698	-3,129
Maine	1,548	1,660	-112	13,458	14,624	-1,166
Maryland	6,781	7,555	-774	40,761	46,792	-6,031
Massachusetts	14,455	13,581	874	90,664	103,590	-12,926
Michigan	29,966	22,770	7,196	105,873	102,721	3,152
Minnesota	6,669	5,330	1,339	90,383	93,875	-3,492
Mississippi	3,382	3,998	-616	26,592	28,007	-1,415
Missouri	11,204	11,261	-57	51,382	50,543	839
Montana	1,549	1,846	-297	10,354	11,055	-701
Nebraska	1,317	1,519	-202	8,055	8,429	-374
Nevada	10,349	10,828	-479	78,336	75,185	3,151
New Hampshire	1,488	1,783	-295	19,968	20,468	-500
New Jersey	10,265	10,536	-271	116,976	123,907	-6,931
New Mexico	3,753	4,175	-422	27,292	28,105	-813
New York	40,380	41,655	-1,275	376,806	401,089	-24,283
North Carolina	8,420	8,711	-291	46,915	47,083	-168
North Dakota	1,192	1,794	-602	5,776	5,979	-203
Ohio	19,507	22,361	-2,854	119,806	128,267	-8,461
Oklahoma	16,300	16,756	-456	32,990	29,142	3,848
Oregon	10,818	7,326	3,492	62,973	56,142	6,831
Pennsylvania	22,126	22,356	-230	220,218	210,518	9,700
Puerto Rico	1,846	2,169	-323	23,240	25,686	-2,446
Rhode Island	7,898	5,666	2,232	17,593	17,786	-193
South Carolina	3,037	5,053	-2,016	39,761	39,810	-49
South Dakota	215	335	-120	2,934	3,094	-160
Tennessee	8,702	13,900	-5,198	52,009	48,744	3,265
Texas	26,668	46,516	-19,848	273,173	283,654	-10,481
Utah	6,570	8,412	-1,842	12,301	11,903	398
Vermont	5,133	2,541	2,592	11,886	11,594	292
Virgin Islands	143	193	-50	1,850	1,166	684
Virginia	42,969	13,751	29,218	61,179	55,273	5,906
Washington	11,787	13,570	-1,783	88,312	83,596	4,716
West Virginia	7,512	5,381	2,131	17,191	17,413	-222
Wisconsin	10,968	18,856	-7,888	94,025	94,817	-792
Wyoming	1,053	2,003	-950	4,387	3,951	436
US Total	575,350	584,836	-9,486	3,790,527	3,840,429	-49,902

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	
April 18, 2020	4,202	-667	5,301.25	17,656	1,586	13,463.75	12.1
April 25, 2020	3,451	-751	4,667.75	21,664	4,008	16,912.75	14.9
May 2, 2020	2,784	-667	3,826.50	20,823	-841	19,053.25	14.3
May 9, 2020	2,315	-469	3,188.00	23,128	2,305	20,817.75	15.9
May 16, 2020	2,149	-166	2,674.75	19,181	-3,947	21,199.00	13.2
May 23, 2020	1,887	-262	2,283.75	19,396	215	20,632.00	13.3
May 30, 2020	1,605	-282	1,989.00	19,287	-109	20,248.00	13.2
June 6, 2020	1,537	-68	1,794.50	18,927	-360	19,197.75	13.0
June 13, 2020	1,472	-65	1,625.25	17,993	-934	18,900.75	12.4
June 20, 2020	1,460	-12	1,518.50	17,713	-280	18,480.00	12.2
June 27, 2020	1,436	-24	1,476.25	16,780	-933	17,853.25	11.5
July 4, 2020	1,398	-38	1,441.50	17,413	633	17,474.75	11.9
July 11, 2020	1,479	81	1,443.25	16,385	-1,028	17,072.75	11.2
July 18, 2020	1,398	-81	1,427.75	16,913	528	16,872.75	11.6
July 25, 2020	1,262	-136	1,384.25	15,964	-949	16,668.75	10.9
August 1, 2020	1,043	-219	1,295.50	15,303	-661	16,141.25	10.5
August 8, 2020	883	-160	1,146.50	14,217	-1,086	15,599.25	9.7
August 15, 2020	920	37	1,027.00	13,948	-269	14,858.00	9.5
August 22, 2020	872	-48	929.50	13,246	-702	14,178.50	9.1
August 29, 2020	875	3	887.50	13,528	282	13,734.75	9.3
September 5, 2020	881	6	887.00	12,755	-773	13,369.25	8.7
September 12, 2020	860	-21	872.00	12,706	-49	13,058.75	8.7
September 19, 2020	860	0	869.00	11,381	-1,325	12,592.50	7.8
September 26, 2020	803	-57	851.00	10,477	-904	11,829.75	7.2
October 3, 2020	782	-21	826.25	9,259	-1,218	10,955.75	6.3
October 10, 2020	833	51	819.50	8,384	-875	9,875.25	5.7
October 17, 2020	798	-35	804.00	7,699	-685	8,954.75	5.3
October 24, 2020	768	-30	795.25	7,076	-623	8,104.50	4.8
October 31, 2020	765	-3	791.00	6,724	-352	7,470.75	4.6
November 7, 2020	728	-37	764.75	6,389	-335	6,972.00	4.4
November 14, 2020	732	4	748.25	6,138	-251	6,581.75	4.2
November 21, 2020	762	30	746.75	5,606	-532	6,214.25	3.8
November 28, 2020	719	-43	735.25	5,829	223	5,990.50	4.0
December 5, 2020	853	134	766.50	5,614	-215	5,796.75	3.8
December 12, 2020	873	20	801.75	5,433	-181	5,620.50	3.7
December 19, 2020	803	-70	812.00	5,311	-122	5,546.75	3.6
December 26, 2020	763	-40	823.00	5,180	-131	5,384.50	3.5
January 2, 2021	781	18	805.00	5,240	60	5,291.00	3.7
January 9, 2021	904	123	812.75	5,061	-179	5,198.00	3.6
January 16, 2021	886	-18	833.50	4,878	-183	5,089.75	3.4
January 23, 2021	836	-50	851.75	4,791	-87	4,992.50	3.4
January 30, 2021	837	1	865.75	4,655	-136	4,846.25	3.3
February 6, 2021	863	26	855.50	4,592	-63	4,729.00	3.2
February 13, 2021	847	-16	845.75	4,469	-123	4,626.75	3.1
February 20, 2021	747	-100	823.50	4,383	-86	4,524.75	3.1
February 27, 2021	761	14	804.50	4,157	-226	4,400.25	2.9
March 6, 2021	734	-27	772.25	4,123	-34	4,283.00	2.9
March 13, 2021	765	31	751.75	3,841	-282	4,126.00	2.7
March 20, 2021	658	-107	729.50	3,753	-88	3,968.50	2.6
March 27, 2021	729	71	721.50	3,717	-36	3,858.50	2.6
April 3, 2021	742	13	723.50	3,708	-9	3,754.75	2.7
April 10, 2021	586	-156	678.75	3,651	-57	3,707.25	2.6
April 17, 2021	566	-20	655.75	3,660	9	3,684.00	2.6
April 24, 2021	553	-13	611.75				

## Pandemic Unemployment Assistance Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

STATE	PUA Initial Claims Filed During Week Ended April 24			PUA Continued Claims For Week Ended Apr 10		
	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Apr 10	Apr 3	Change
Alabama	4,090	8,347	-4,257	8,156	24,909	-16,753
Alaska	523	333	190	11,196	11,960	-764
Arizona	1,269	1,456	-187	82,560	86,097	-3,537
Arkansas	1,084	1,595	-511	43,495	45,649	-2,154
California	18,600	18,814	-214	979,660	1,394,259	-414,599
Colorado	830	1,310	-480	45,189	47,715	-2,526
Connecticut	287	261	26	35,708	36,821	-1,113
Delaware	55	51	4	5,639	5,664	-25
District of Columbia	63	55	8	12,563	12,477	86
Florida	2,025	1,886	139	0	0	0
Georgia	1,018	1,826	-808	155,624	161,221	-5,597
Hawaii	440	517	-77	38,964	40,130	-1,166
Idaho	37	43	-6	5,102	5,110	-8
Illinois	2,387	2,554	-167	245,346	251,274	-5,928
Indiana	10,763	17,133	-6,370	202,937	203,742	-805
Iowa	589	794	-205	10,793	8,224	2,569
Kansas	240	237	3	11,088	10,194	894
Kentucky	1,603	2,381	-778	11,000	16,030	-5,030
Louisiana	2,136	3,080	-944	109,935	109,337	598
Maine	149	133	16	13,201	13,230	-29
Maryland	3,832	1,817	2,015	170,005	169,297	708
Massachusetts	1,583	2,108	-525	259,424	261,195	-1,771
Michigan	2,997	4,948	-1,951	566,501	364,527	201,974
Minnesota	1	4	-3	40,450	39,730	720
Mississippi	616	637	-21	30,093	26,210	3,883
Missouri	1,429	1,529	-100	38,547	39,782	-1,235
Montana	291	384	-93	14,319	14,543	-224
Nebraska	52	52	0	2,840	2,929	-89
Nevada	279	282	-3	47,073	44,185	2,888
New Hampshire	32	38	-6	9,447	7,810	1,637
New Jersey	4,195	4,295	-100	354,311	346,861	7,450
New Mexico	3,322	3,999	-677	31,679	29,849	1,830
New York	2,826	4,700	-1,874	1,164,859	1,194,921	-30,062
North Carolina	2,357	2,510	-153	84,884	85,835	-951
North Dakota	130	133	-3	2,899	3,482	-583
Ohio	5,514	5,925	-411	412,203	458,590	-46,387
Oklahoma	2,661	2,061	600	16,021	14,419	1,602
Oregon	1,525	1,220	305	94,325	76,007	18,318
Pennsylvania	9,301	9,574	-273	541,275	464,061	77,214
Puerto Rico	3,821	4,976	-1,155	239,267	270,869	-31,602
Rhode Island	1,952	1,872	80	38,507	38,427	80
South Carolina	1,022	1,477	-455	52,176	51,847	329
South Dakota	6	4	2	688	510	178
Tennessee	2,398	2,816	-418	59,382	58,505	877
Texas	3,541	3,826	-285	352,798	426,963	-74,165
Utah	358	423	-65	1,729	1,732	-3
Vermont	3,131	1,410	1,721	9,412	8,763	649
Virgin Islands	6	13	-7	0	0	0
Virginia	9,883	2,577	7,306	167,637	168,148	-511
Washington	1,830	1,888	-58	104,900	105,083	-183
West Virginia	1,203	1,132	71	8,743	8,692	51
Wisconsin	1,425	1,696	-271	28,639	40,449	-11,810
Wyoming	42	226	-184	879	1,340	-461
US Total	121,749	133,358	-11,609	6,974,068	7,309,604	-335,536

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:				
	April 10	April 3	Change	March 27	March 20
Alabama	49,658	53,615	-3,957	58,423	64,947
Alaska	16,542	16,409	133	16,362	15,604
Arizona	57,614	60,937	-3,323	64,484	67,943
Arkansas	18,987	21,835	-2,848	21,883	22,172
California	1,047,166	1,318,684	-271,518	911,742	1,334,080
Colorado	68,047	68,844	-797	72,405	76,308
Connecticut	77,004	72,320	4,684	71,781	74,756
Delaware	14,222	14,046	176	14,031	13,880
District of Columbia	6,516	6,720	-204	6,929	7,438
Florida	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	0	0	0	0	0
Hawaii	35,187	32,215	2,972	36,610	32,563
Idaho	5,700	5,944	-244	6,654	7,395
Illinois	260,222	262,153	-1,931	240,789	255,324
Indiana	66,012	72,774	-6,762	74,041	79,521
Iowa	24,074	23,361	713	25,301	29,055
Kansas	11,325	8,156	3,169	7,755	11,539
Kentucky	24,800	29,166	-4,366	34,633	33,408
Louisiana	72,261	73,505	-1,244	74,222	80,201
Maine	17,408	17,903	-495	17,832	18,658
Maryland	84,974	84,913	61	84,833	84,465
Massachusetts	222,385	218,546	3,839	219,137	198,327
Michigan	286,913	251,775	35,138	280,453	208,239
Minnesota	180,124	176,651	3,473	173,344	167,551
Mississippi	25,479	23,456	2,023	24,067	26,847
Missouri	55,363	57,924	-2,561	62,577	63,508
Montana	8,140	8,601	-461	8,636	8,913
Nebraska	4,850	5,097	-247	5,216	5,388
Nevada	95,574	104,185	-8,611	104,810	98,706
New Hampshire	7,014	7,226	-212	8,404	9,373
New Jersey	197,529	192,757	4,772	196,499	174,956
New Mexico	40,267	42,688	-2,421	46,519	18,898
New York	706,023	740,243	-34,220	754,875	752,208
North Carolina	171,110	171,926	-816	175,623	184,039
North Dakota	5,846	7,435	-1,589	7,321	7,317
Ohio	122,863	123,283	-420	125,421	131,334
Oklahoma	36,382	35,295	1,087	40,392	44,645
Oregon	85,120	87,349	-2,229	88,226	93,680
Pennsylvania	307,907	291,434	16,473	307,187	300,790
Puerto Rico	4,853	6,785	-1,932	6,267	15,430
Rhode Island	19,005	19,885	-880	20,440	20,784
South Carolina	77,607	79,034	-1,427	80,424	79,262
South Dakota	1,170	1,171	-1	1,237	1,224
Tennessee	58,324	58,973	-649	63,355	63,011
Texas	426,994	553,093	-126,099	410,948	534,327
Utah	10,884	11,065	-181	11,695	12,197
Vermont	10,728	10,371	357	9,931	12,328
Virgin Islands	21	26	-5	52	51
Virginia	16,936	17,561	-625	19,765	22,571
Washington	2,560	2,795	-235	2,931	3,172
West Virginia	17,057	17,146	-89	18,039	19,991
Wisconsin	25,130	38,087	-12,957	38,566	38,137
Wyoming	4,834	572	4,262	5,164	5,207
US Total	5,192,711	5,605,935	-413,224	5,158,231	5,631,668

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:		
	April 10	April 3	Change
Alabama	0	0	0
Alaska	24	93	-69
Arizona	1,423	1,635	-212
Arkansas	25	18	7
California	151,473	135,739	15,734
Colorado	28	36	-8
Connecticut	1,054	1,010	44
Delaware	10	9	1
District of Columbia	4	7	-3
Florida	0	0	0
Georgia	0	0	0
Hawaii	9	13	-4
Idaho	7	12	-5
Illinois	9,560	9,375	185
Indiana	15	26	-11
Iowa	53	125	-72
Kansas	599	644	-45
Kentucky	0	0	0
Louisiana	21	28	-7
Maine	8	6	2
Maryland	509	289	220
Massachusetts	4,931	7,136	-2,205
Michigan	8,516	8,484	32
Minnesota	2	1	1
Mississippi	184	195	-11
Missouri	64	75	-11
Montana	3	4	-1
Nebraska	0	0	0
Nevada	15,235	13,283	1,952
New Hampshire	16	19	-3
New Jersey	53,358	55,869	-2,511
New Mexico	582	878	-296
New York	186,951	188,424	-1,473
North Carolina	102	124	-22
North Dakota	0	1	-1
Ohio	93	134	-41
Oklahoma	0	0	0
Oregon	155	263	-108
Pennsylvania	9,563	11,599	-2,036
Puerto Rico	767	1,081	-314
Rhode Island	633	935	-302
South Carolina	51	52	-1
South Dakota	0	0	0
Tennessee	41	49	-8
Texas	23,997	54,290	-30,293
Utah	0	0	0
Vermont	5	6	-1
Virgin Islands	15	18	-3
Virginia	393	300	93
Washington	19	55	-36
West Virginia	8	7	1
Wisconsin	701	649	52
Wyoming	9	3	6
US Total	471,216	492,999	-21,783

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

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED DURING WEEK ENDED  
APRIL 17

INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT FOR WEEK ENDED  
APRIL 10

STATE NAME	STATE	CHANGE FROM				STATE (%) <sup>2</sup>	CHANGE FROM				ALL PROGRAMS EXCLUDING RAILROAD RETIREMENT	
		LAST WEEK	YEAR AGO	UCFE <sup>1</sup>	UCX <sup>1</sup>		LAST WEEK	YEAR AGO	UCFE <sup>1</sup>	UCX <sup>1</sup>		
Alabama	8,983	-1,926	-57,449	47	8	19,524	1.0	287	-124,803	45	40	19,609
Alaska	3,904	-649	-8,297	13	0	14,115	4.9	-393	-33,981	139	28	14,282
Arizona	6,308	106	-66,149	3	1	51,376	1.8	1,523	-118,886	195	119	51,690
Arkansas	3,213	-161	-22,191	4	1	18,312	1.6	-1,229	-72,966	153	34	18,499
California	72,875	3,417	-455,485	171	108	573,254	3.5	-30,726	-1,849,204	2,731	1,486	577,471
Colorado	6,741	-2,205	-60,898	4	16	63,456	2.5	-6,815	-107,978	187	124	63,767
Connecticut	7,223	1,194	-95,585	19	6	82,460	5.3	2,412	-223,587	284	55	82,799
Delaware	3,842	40	-5,604	6	3	10,563	2.4	414	-27,888	52	21	10,636
District of Columbia	3,268	-359	-5,371	55	0	20,511	3.7	-1,942	-26,954	1,002	8	21,521
Florida	18,838	-5,564	-487,832	52	52	123,557	1.5	-5,629	-53,464	468	277	124,302
Georgia	32,381	-6,001	-214,622	36	20	143,898	3.4	4,842	-467,991	671	348	144,917
Hawaii	3,598	-340	-22,993	4	8	17,583	3.2	-394	-54,678	154	120	17,857
Idaho	4,484	-1,745	-8,539	8	2	10,141	1.4	-471	-57,581	96	21	10,258
Illinois	15,248	-3,738	-103,748	9	5	239,827	4.3	2,841	-329,373	841	186	240,854
Indiana	14,026	4,484	-58,730	18	10	58,333	2.0	1,230	-148,053	277	86	58,696
Iowa	6,981	1,976	-19,920	9	1	32,950	2.2	-550	-117,495	82	22	33,054
Kansas	1,989	-149	-22,341	0	0	8,797	0.7	-438	-68,603	33	16	8,846
Kentucky	5,958	-41	-98,023	0	0	15,066	0.8	-9,557	-183,964	92	49	15,207
Louisiana	8,829	-980	-83,094	11	1	52,698	3.0	1,902	-193,598	116	16	52,830
Maine	1,660	-400	-10,109	0	1	14,624	2.5	-720	-51,901	38	8	14,670
Maryland	7,555	-1,172	-41,015	19	3	46,792	2.2	9	-154,643	260	81	47,133
Massachusetts	13,581	-1,550	-67,388	41	13	103,590	3.1	-7,939	-363,962	302	130	104,022
Michigan	22,770	6,300	-113,937	6	1	102,721	2.6	-5,022	-834,799	165	40	102,926
Minnesota	5,330	-151	-69,499	9	2	93,875	3.4	-5,880	-297,409	213	81	94,169
Mississippi	3,998	-425	-32,915	5	2	28,007	2.6	1,054	-64,998	160	20	28,187
Missouri	11,261	-174	-48,341	3	2	50,543	1.9	1,995	-177,014	129	17	50,689
Montana	1,846	-236	-9,330	14	0	11,055	2.5	-670	-54,018	200	17	11,272
Nebraska	1,519	-412	-10,703	2	0	8,429	0.9	-1,054	-63,649	11	6	8,446
Nevada	10,828	-157	-28,668	4	1	75,185	5.9	3,448	-156,433	194	88	75,467
New Hampshire	1,783	143	-18,631	3	1	20,468	3.3	-2,897	-73,315	47	1	20,516
New Jersey	10,536	-810	-129,603	21	18	123,907	3.3	184	-432,098	331	259	124,497
New Mexico	4,175	-1,338	-9,446	3	1	28,105	3.7	397	-52,881	225	56	28,386
New York	41,655	-16,840	-163,529	16	21	401,089	4.6	19,480	-953,407	484	337	401,910
North Carolina	8,711	713	-97,555	3	11	47,083	1.1	-264	-421,200	203	238	47,524
North Dakota	1,794	-253	-6,271	12	0	5,979	1.5	-870	-27,584	7	6	5,992
Ohio	22,361	-968	-87,469	5	23	128,267	2.5	-14,663	-589,575	215	175	128,657
Oklahoma	16,756	-1,241	-29,940	23	10	29,142	1.9	3,549	-83,169	127	38	29,307
Oregon	7,326	-1,053	-29,883	11	8	56,142	3.1	-3,967	-160,897	540	85	56,767
Pennsylvania	22,356	-98	-102,277	141	29	210,518	3.9	-14,178	-864,142	1,110	366	211,994
Puerto Rico	2,169	-133	-24,312	4	3	25,686	3.1	-2,213	-83,986	278	113	26,077
Rhode Island	5,666	693	-12,412	0	0	17,786	4.0	-101	-61,354	61	21	17,868
South Carolina	5,053	-78	-69,309	5	16	39,810	2.0	1,376	-139,959	53	96	39,959
South Dakota	335	45	-4,960	19	0	3,094	0.8	-44	-16,570	36	2	3,132
Tennessee	13,900	2,479	-53,326	16	9	48,744	1.5	1,176	-231,151	60	26	48,830
Texas	46,516	-20,036	-234,245	112	85	283,654	2.4	6,266	-628,269	1,014	1,556	286,224
Utah	8,412	4,060	-11,237	68	13	11,903	0.8	-339	-76,378	105	21	12,029
Vermont	2,541	289	-4,057	1	0	11,594	4.1	187	-52,719	19	0	11,613
Virgin Islands	193	63	180	0	0	1,166	3.2	-192	-156	0	2	1,168
Virginia	13,751	8,717	-68,978	12	7	55,273	1.5	-2,098	-242,720	311	242	55,826
Washington	13,570	-4,031	-69,905	17	25	83,596	2.6	-6,924	-451,589	423	533	84,552
West Virginia	5,381	-152	-41,374	8	1	17,413	2.8	-1,333	-78,715	219	31	17,663
Wisconsin	18,856	2,345	-37,027	23	7	94,817	3.0	1,870	-204,715	167	58	95,042
Wyoming	2,003	710	-2,378	8	1	3,951	1.6	-220	-10,351	64	3	4,018
Totals	584,836	-37,792	-3,636,720	1,103	556	3,840,429	2.7	-73,290	-12,416,773	15,389	7,809	3,863,627

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 APRIL 17, 2021**

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**STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000**

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<b>State</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>State Supplied Comment</b>
VA	+8,717	Layoffs in the accommodation and food services industries.
MI	+6,300	Layoffs in the automobile industry.
IN	+4,484	No comment.
UT	+4,060	No comment.
CA	+3,417	No comment.
TN	+2,479	Layoffs in the retail trade, administrative and support and waste management and remediation services, accommodation and food services, health care and social assistance, and transportation and warehousing industries.
WI	+2,345	Layoffs in the administrative and support and waste management and remediation services, and accommodation and food services industries.
IA	+1,976	Layoffs in the accommodation and food services, administrative and support and waste management and remediation services, and manufacturing industries.
CT	+1,194	No comment.

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**STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000**

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<b>State</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>State Supplied Comment</b>
TX	-20,036	No comment.
NY	-16,840	Fewer layoffs in the transportation and warehousing, accommodation and food services, and construction industries.
GA	-6,001	Fewer layoffs in the accommodation and food services, administrative and support and waste management and remediation services, transportation and warehousing, and health care and social assistance industries.
FL	-5,564	No comment.
WA	-4,031	No comment.
IL	-3,738	No comment.
CO	-2,205	No comment.
AL	-1,926	Fewer layoffs in the accommodation and food services, administrative and support and waste management and remediation services, and retail trade industries.
ID	-1,745	No comment.
MA	-1,550	No comment.
NM	-1,338	No comment.
OK	-1,241	No comment.
MD	-1,172	No comment.
OR	-1,053	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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