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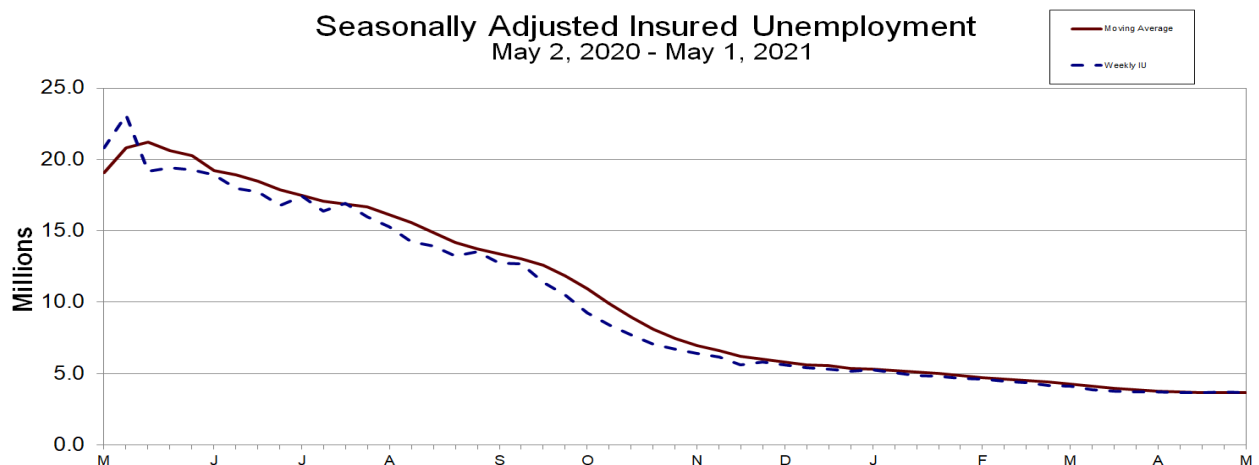
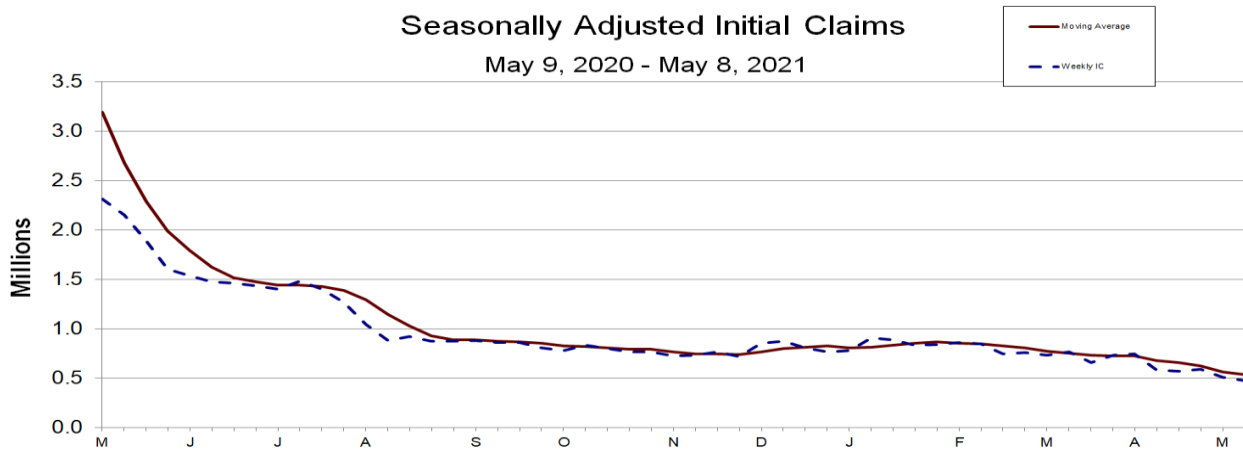
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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

In the week ending May 8, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 473,000, a decrease of 34,000 from the previous week's revised level. This is the lowest level for initial claims since March 14, 2020 when it was 256,000. The previous week's level was revised up by 9,000 from 498,000 to 507,000. The 4-week moving average was 534,000, a decrease of 28,250 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 2,250 from 560,000 to 562,250.

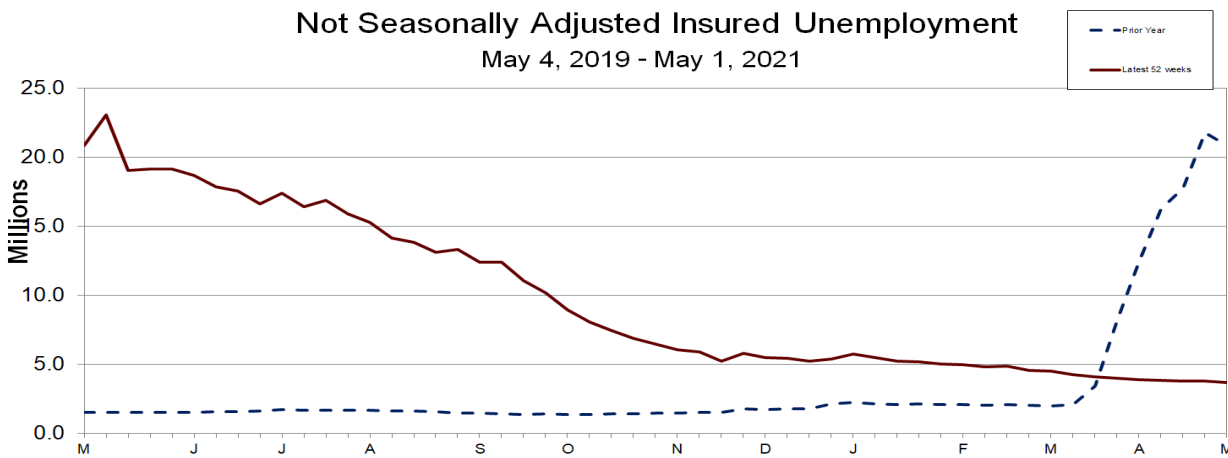
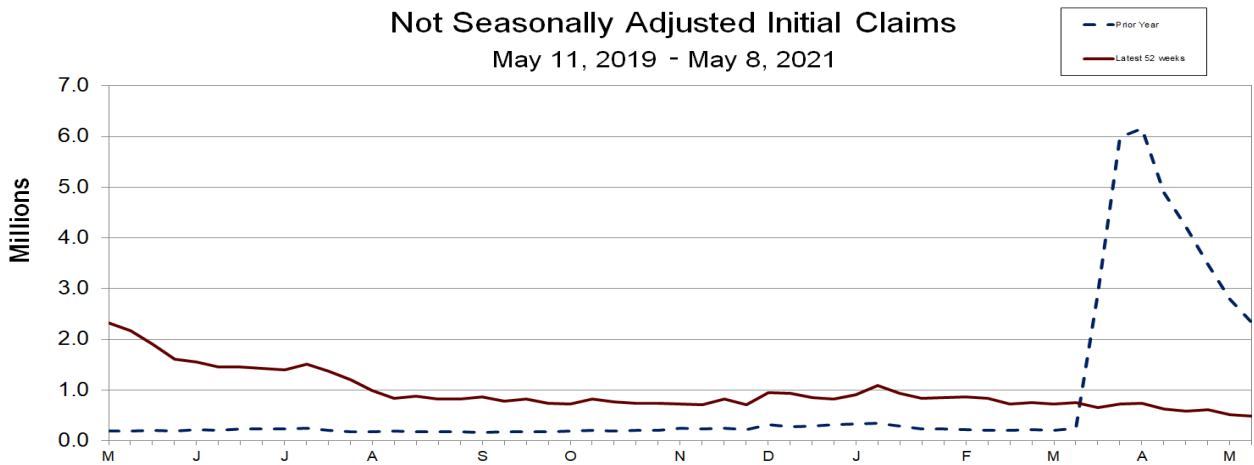
The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 2.6 percent for the week ending May 1, a decrease of 0.1 percentage point from the previous week's revised rate. The previous week's rate was revised up by 0.1 from 2.6 to 2.7 percent. The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending May 1 was 3,655,000, a decrease of 45,000 from the previous week's revised level. The previous week's level was revised up 10,000 from 3,690,000 to 3,700,000. The 4-week moving average was 3,665,000, a decrease of 13,250 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 up by 2,500 from 3,675,750 to 3,678,250.



UNADJUSTED DATA

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 487,436 in the week ending May 8, a decrease of 26,286 (or -5.1 percent) from the previous week. The seasonal factors had expected an increase of 7,909 (or 1.5 percent) from the previous week. There were 2,326,632 initial claims in the comparable week in 2020. In addition, for the week ending May 8, 52 states reported 103,571 initial claims for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 2.7 percent during the week ending May 1, unchanged from the prior week. The advance unadjusted level of insured unemployment in state programs totaled 3,709,566, a decrease of 86,659 (or -2.3 percent) from the preceding week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 41,615 (or -1.1 percent) from the previous week. A year earlier the rate was 14.3 percent and the volume was 20,855,301.



The total number of continued weeks claimed for benefits in all programs for the week ending April 24 was 16,855,264, an increase of 696,152 from the previous week. There were 21,863,056 weekly claims filed for benefits in all programs in the comparable week in 2020.

During the week ending April 24, 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 927 in the week ending May 1, a decrease of 47 from the prior week. There were 526 initial claims filed by newly discharged veterans, a decrease of 45 from the preceding week.

There were 14,544 continued weeks claimed filed by former Federal civilian employees the week ending April 24, a decrease of 137 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 7,287, a decrease of 315 from the prior week.

During the week ending April 24, 51 states reported 7,283,703 continued weekly claims for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance benefits and 51 states reported 5,265,193 continued claims for Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation benefits.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending April 24 were in Nevada (6.4), Connecticut (4.9), Rhode Island (4.6), Alaska (4.5), Vermont (4.5), Illinois (4.4), Puerto Rico (4.4), New York (4.2), Pennsylvania (4.0), and District of Columbia (3.6).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending May 1 were in Kentucky (+4,714), New Jersey (+2,002), Delaware (+1,294), Vermont (+1,142), and Puerto Rico (+824), while the largest decreases were in Virginia (-25,125), New York (-9,533), Florida (-8,252), California (-7,840), and Oklahoma (-6,392).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

| WEEK ENDING | May 8 | May 1 | Change | April 24 | Prior Year¹ |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| Initial Claims (SA) | 473,000 | 507,000 | -34,000 | 590,000 | 2,315,000 |
| Initial Claims (NSA) | 487,436 | 513,722 | -26,286 | 612,060 | 2,326,632 |
| 4-Wk Moving Average (SA) | 534,000 | 562,250 | -28,250 | 621,000 | 3,188,000 |

| WEEK ENDING | May 1 | April 24 | Change | April 17 | Prior Year¹ |
|--|--------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| Insured Unemployment (SA) | 3,655,000 | 3,700,000 | -45,000 | 3,653,000 | 20,823,000 |
| Insured Unemployment (NSA) | 3,709,566 | 3,796,225 | -86,659 | 3,783,595 | 20,855,301 |
| 4-Wk Moving Average (SA) | 3,665,000 | 3,678,250 | -13,250 | 3,682,500 | 19,053,250 |
| Insured Unemployment Rate (SA) ² | 2.6% | 2.7% | -0.1 | 2.6% | 14.3% |
| Insured Unemployment Rate (NSA) ² | 2.7% | 2.7% | 0.0 | 2.7% | 14.3% |

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

| WEEK ENDING | May 8 | May 1 | Change | April 24 |
|----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Pandemic Unemployment Assistance | 103,571 | 101,815 | +1,756 | 121,406 |

| WEEK ENDING | May 1 | April 24 | Change | Prior Year¹ |
|---------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------------------------|
| Federal Employees (UCFE) | 927 | 974 | -47 | 2,032 |
| Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX) | 526 | 571 | -45 | 1,257 |

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

| WEEK ENDING | April 24 | April 17 | Change | Prior Year¹ |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| Regular State | 3,767,444 | 3,756,019 | +11,425 | 21,704,813 |
| Federal Employees | 14,544 | 14,681 | -137 | 16,851 |
| Newly Discharged Veterans | 7,287 | 7,602 | -315 | 11,756 |
| Pandemic Unemployment Assistance ³ | 7,283,703 | 6,863,451 | +420,252 | NA |
| Pandemic Emergency UC ⁴ | 5,265,193 | 4,973,804 | +291,389 | NA |
| Extended Benefits ⁵ | 433,209 | 453,666 | -20,457 | 434 |
| State Additional Benefits ⁶ | 1,665 | 1,667 | -2 | 6,527 |
| STC / Workshare ⁷ | 82,219 | 88,222 | -6,003 | 122,675 |
| TOTAL⁸ | 16,855,264 | 16,159,112 | +696,152 | 21,863,056 |

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 May 8 | | | Insured Unemployment For Week Ended May 1 | | |
|----------------------|--|----------|---------|---|-----------|---------|
| | Advance | Prior Wk | Change | Advance | Prior Wk | Change |
| Alabama | 9,311 | 10,325 | -1,014 | 15,350 | 18,099 | -2,749 |
| Alaska | 3,477 | 2,829 | 648 | 12,263 | 12,949 | -686 |
| Arizona | 5,537 | 7,267 | -1,730 | 53,138 | 54,641 | -1,503 |
| Arkansas | 2,474 | 2,654 | -180 | 19,095 | 20,053 | -958 |
| California | 70,442 | 70,766 | -324 | 601,735 | 583,538 | 18,197 |
| Colorado | 4,712 | 4,503 | 209 | 61,286 | 61,309 | -23 |
| Connecticut | 4,959 | 4,918 | 41 | 74,117 | 76,013 | -1,896 |
| Delaware | 4,168 | 5,466 | -1,298 | 12,029 | 11,312 | 717 |
| District of Columbia | 1,864 | 1,551 | 313 | 19,230 | 19,891 | -661 |
| Florida | 14,872 | 19,765 | -4,893 | 121,032 | 126,561 | -5,529 |
| Georgia | 32,466 | 25,429 | 7,037 | 121,316 | 139,595 | -18,279 |
| Hawaii | 2,786 | 2,794 | -8 | 17,287 | 17,405 | -118 |
| Idaho | 2,162 | 3,392 | -1,230 | 7,653 | 9,680 | -2,027 |
| Illinois | 17,931 | 15,134 | 2,797 | 218,034 | 247,832 | -29,798 |
| Indiana | 8,130 | 8,581 | -451 | 64,143 | 64,342 | -199 |
| Iowa | 3,649 | 3,145 | 504 | 26,193 | 27,764 | -1,571 |
| Kansas | 1,669 | 2,390 | -721 | 10,627 | 8,551 | 2,076 |
| Kentucky | 11,115 | 12,151 | -1,036 | 24,140 | 21,323 | 2,817 |
| Louisiana | 6,712 | 6,783 | -71 | 48,863 | 52,018 | -3,155 |
| Maine | 1,241 | 1,391 | -150 | 12,088 | 13,721 | -1,633 |
| Maryland | 8,098 | 8,677 | -579 | 41,529 | 45,129 | -3,600 |
| Massachusetts | 10,476 | 11,881 | -1,405 | 83,630 | 111,869 | -28,239 |
| Michigan | 16,767 | 31,356 | -14,589 | 122,323 | 122,497 | -174 |
| Minnesota | 6,203 | 4,310 | 1,893 | 80,717 | 80,853 | -136 |
| Mississippi | 3,805 | 3,528 | 277 | 25,817 | 27,390 | -1,573 |
| Missouri | 6,306 | 8,305 | -1,999 | 55,669 | 57,477 | -1,808 |
| Montana | 1,416 | 1,484 | -68 | 9,342 | 10,267 | -925 |
| Nebraska | 1,527 | 1,409 | 118 | 7,002 | 8,421 | -1,419 |
| Nevada | 8,896 | 8,979 | -83 | 76,334 | 82,203 | -5,869 |
| New Hampshire | 1,224 | 499 | 725 | 19,133 | 19,319 | -186 |
| New Jersey | 13,101 | 14,324 | -1,223 | 113,010 | 113,091 | -81 |
| New Mexico | 4,140 | 3,953 | 187 | 26,796 | 27,449 | -653 |
| New York | 23,082 | 31,523 | -8,441 | 354,570 | 369,325 | -14,755 |
| North Carolina | 6,709 | 7,051 | -342 | 45,816 | 48,704 | -2,888 |
| North Dakota | 748 | 770 | -22 | 4,342 | 4,626 | -284 |
| Ohio | 19,538 | 18,697 | 841 | 109,671 | 115,209 | -5,538 |
| Oklahoma | 10,551 | 10,977 | -426 | 31,469 | 25,131 | 6,338 |
| Oregon | 9,015 | 10,993 | -1,978 | 60,046 | 58,994 | 1,052 |
| Pennsylvania | 23,951 | 21,960 | 1,991 | 214,768 | 214,640 | 128 |
| Puerto Rico | 2,878 | 2,777 | 101 | 37,221 | 35,925 | 1,296 |
| Rhode Island | 7,478 | 7,764 | -286 | 18,913 | 20,379 | -1,466 |
| South Carolina | 3,088 | 2,899 | 189 | 38,244 | 39,552 | -1,308 |
| South Dakota | 266 | 264 | 2 | 2,576 | 3,202 | -626 |
| Tennessee | 8,194 | 8,255 | -61 | 51,671 | 52,236 | -565 |
| Texas | 30,538 | 30,225 | 313 | 255,938 | 250,868 | 5,070 |
| Utah | 3,731 | 3,729 | 2 | 13,509 | 13,570 | -61 |
| Vermont | 512 | 6,372 | -5,860 | 12,508 | 12,595 | -87 |
| Virgin Islands | 116 | 209 | -93 | 1,502 | 1,316 | 186 |
| Virginia | 12,411 | 12,231 | 180 | 68,517 | 55,195 | 13,322 |
| Washington | 16,381 | 10,780 | 5,601 | 81,491 | 76,346 | 5,145 |
| West Virginia | 5,490 | 5,098 | 392 | 19,672 | 17,209 | 2,463 |
| Wisconsin | 10,426 | 10,351 | 75 | 82,152 | 84,704 | -2,552 |
| Wyoming | 697 | 858 | -161 | 4,049 | 3,937 | 112 |
| US Total | 487,436 | 513,722 | -26,286 | 3,709,566 | 3,796,225 | -86,659 |

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 | |
| 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 | 3,652 | -56 | 3,707.50 | 2.6 |
| April 17, 2021 | 566 | -20 | 655.75 | 3,653 | 1 | 3,682.50 | 2.6 |
| April 24, 2021 | 590 | 24 | 621.00 | 3,700 | 47 | 3,678.25 | 2.7 |
| May 1, 2021 | 507 | -83 | 562.25 | 3,655 | -45 | 3,665.00 | 2.6 |
| May 8, 2021 | 473 | -34 | 534.00 | | | | |

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

| STATE | PUA Initial Claims Filed During Week Ended May 8 | | | PUA Continued Claims For Week Ended Apr 24 | | |
|----------------------|--|----------|--------|--|-----------|---------|
| | Advance | Prior Wk | Change | Apr 24 | Apr 17 | Change |
| Alabama | 2,404 | 2,961 | -557 | 15,624 | 13,081 | 2,543 |
| Alaska | 227 | 278 | -51 | 9,202 | 9,637 | -435 |
| Arizona | 1,878 | 1,891 | -13 | 128,154 | 83,181 | 44,973 |
| Arkansas | 1,088 | 1,060 | 28 | 42,719 | 41,952 | 767 |
| California | 18,823 | 17,591 | 1,232 | 1,726,234 | 1,290,024 | 436,210 |
| Colorado | 616 | 618 | -2 | 40,898 | 42,630 | -1,732 |
| Connecticut | 241 | 250 | -9 | 35,286 | 36,243 | -957 |
| Delaware | 51 | 43 | 8 | 1,810 | 5,429 | -3,619 |
| District of Columbia | 32 | 32 | 0 | 13,271 | 13,481 | -210 |
| Florida | 2,118 | 3,905 | -1,787 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Georgia | 899 | 979 | -80 | 126,521 | 127,389 | -868 |
| Hawaii | 323 | 341 | -18 | 37,565 | 38,842 | -1,277 |
| Idaho | 51 | 37 | 14 | 4,874 | 4,841 | 33 |
| Illinois | 2,619 | 2,077 | 542 | 232,110 | 233,422 | -1,312 |
| Indiana | 3,751 | 4,870 | -1,119 | 122,723 | 154,859 | -32,136 |
| Iowa | 402 | 461 | -59 | 14,750 | 9,140 | 5,610 |
| Kansas | 273 | 277 | -4 | 11,330 | 10,973 | 357 |
| Kentucky | 1,625 | 3,005 | -1,380 | 12,524 | 13,389 | -865 |
| Louisiana | 1,741 | 2,043 | -302 | 105,433 | 106,651 | -1,218 |
| Maine | 89 | 284 | -195 | 13,207 | 12,976 | 231 |
| Maryland | 4,827 | 3,996 | 831 | 173,706 | 172,495 | 1,211 |
| Massachusetts | 1,423 | 1,404 | 19 | 249,571 | 249,026 | 545 |
| Michigan | 2,189 | 2,592 | -403 | 515,103 | 330,468 | 184,635 |
| Minnesota | 0 | 3 | -3 | 39,870 | 39,510 | 360 |
| Mississippi | 558 | 497 | 61 | 28,855 | 35,220 | -6,365 |
| Missouri | 907 | 1,155 | -248 | 37,240 | 39,550 | -2,310 |
| Montana | 267 | 213 | 54 | 12,359 | 12,817 | -458 |
| Nebraska | 72 | 42 | 30 | 2,746 | 2,749 | -3 |
| Nevada | 360 | 391 | -31 | 47,547 | 48,594 | -1,047 |
| New Hampshire | 76 | 29 | 47 | 8,931 | 9,412 | -481 |
| New Jersey | 2,662 | 3,756 | -1,094 | 311,765 | 334,493 | -22,728 |
| New Mexico | 6,462 | 5,393 | 1,069 | 33,129 | 32,506 | 623 |
| New York | 2,073 | 2,192 | -119 | 1,082,728 | 1,143,609 | -60,881 |
| North Carolina | 2,324 | 2,241 | 83 | 83,370 | 84,448 | -1,078 |
| North Dakota | 97 | 90 | 7 | 3,212 | 3,120 | 92 |
| Ohio | 8,556 | 3,671 | 4,885 | 340,369 | 359,170 | -18,801 |
| Oklahoma | 3,548 | 2,564 | 984 | 17,554 | 16,908 | 646 |
| Oregon | 3,441 | 1,888 | 1,553 | 81,954 | 79,381 | 2,573 |
| Pennsylvania | 7,429 | 8,688 | -1,259 | 517,664 | 544,382 | -26,718 |
| Puerto Rico | 3,226 | 3,225 | 1 | 214,961 | 209,817 | 5,144 |
| Rhode Island | 1,982 | 2,255 | -273 | 37,951 | 37,400 | 551 |
| South Carolina | 1,248 | 845 | 403 | 48,517 | 50,346 | -1,829 |
| South Dakota | 1 | 7 | -6 | 534 | 583 | -49 |
| Tennessee | 1,502 | 1,578 | -76 | 56,638 | 58,122 | -1,484 |
| Texas | 2,745 | 3,148 | -403 | 344,440 | 441,794 | -97,354 |
| Utah | 302 | 343 | -41 | 1,763 | 1,760 | 3 |
| Vermont | 16 | 2,215 | -2,199 | 10,480 | 10,364 | 116 |
| Virgin Islands | 6 | 7 | -1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Virginia | 1,175 | 214 | 961 | 150,448 | 130,431 | 20,017 |
| Washington | 2,494 | 1,863 | 631 | 104,162 | 103,581 | 581 |
| West Virginia | 686 | 743 | -57 | 8,424 | 8,952 | -528 |
| Wisconsin | 1,628 | 1,546 | 82 | 22,406 | 23,252 | -846 |
| Wyoming | 38 | 18 | 20 | 1,071 | 1,051 | 20 |
| US Total | 103,571 | 101,815 | 1,756 | 7,283,703 | 6,863,451 | 420,252 |

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 24 | April 17 | Change | April 10 | April 3 |
| Alabama | 51,452 | 50,755 | 697 | 49,658 | 53,615 |
| Alaska | 16,153 | 16,274 | -121 | 16,542 | 16,409 |
| Arizona | 51,736 | 54,002 | -2,266 | 57,614 | 60,937 |
| Arkansas | 21,003 | 20,394 | 609 | 18,987 | 21,835 |
| California | 1,074,171 | 723,379 | 350,792 | 1,047,166 | 1,318,684 |
| Colorado | 67,171 | 67,603 | -432 | 68,047 | 68,844 |
| Connecticut | 88,028 | 82,109 | 5,919 | 77,004 | 72,320 |
| Delaware | 2,962 | 14,214 | -11,252 | 14,222 | 14,046 |
| District of Columbia | 5,353 | 5,904 | -551 | 6,516 | 6,720 |
| Florida | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Georgia | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Hawaii | 9,563 | 31,814 | -22,251 | 35,187 | 32,215 |
| Idaho | 6,493 | 5,990 | 503 | 5,700 | 5,944 |
| Illinois | 264,207 | 260,760 | 3,447 | 260,222 | 262,153 |
| Indiana | 67,277 | 68,456 | -1,179 | 66,012 | 72,774 |
| Iowa | 24,367 | 23,526 | 841 | 24,074 | 23,361 |
| Kansas | 9,364 | 9,446 | -82 | 11,325 | 8,156 |
| Kentucky | 27,067 | 29,176 | -2,109 | 24,800 | 29,166 |
| Louisiana | 72,961 | 73,002 | -41 | 72,261 | 73,505 |
| Maine | 17,108 | 17,164 | -56 | 17,408 | 17,903 |
| Maryland | 86,570 | 85,960 | 610 | 84,974 | 84,913 |
| Massachusetts | 227,662 | 223,986 | 3,676 | 222,385 | 218,546 |
| Michigan | 259,966 | 256,547 | 3,419 | 286,913 | 251,775 |
| Minnesota | 181,599 | 180,590 | 1,009 | 180,124 | 176,651 |
| Mississippi | 23,855 | 29,613 | -5,758 | 25,479 | 23,456 |
| Missouri | 53,585 | 53,943 | -358 | 55,363 | 57,924 |
| Montana | 7,677 | 8,014 | -337 | 8,140 | 8,601 |
| Nebraska | 5,367 | 5,158 | 209 | 4,850 | 5,097 |
| Nevada | 96,614 | 98,195 | -1,581 | 95,574 | 104,185 |
| New Hampshire | 6,773 | 6,880 | -107 | 7,014 | 7,226 |
| New Jersey | 227,406 | 197,613 | 29,793 | 197,529 | 192,757 |
| New Mexico | 39,931 | 38,372 | 1,559 | 40,267 | 42,688 |
| New York | 665,144 | 677,876 | -12,732 | 706,023 | 740,243 |
| North Carolina | 166,668 | 167,808 | -1,140 | 171,110 | 171,926 |
| North Dakota | 6,724 | 6,976 | -252 | 5,846 | 7,435 |
| Ohio | 121,234 | 121,884 | -650 | 122,863 | 123,283 |
| Oklahoma | 34,238 | 36,208 | -1,970 | 37,770 | 35,295 |
| Oregon | 82,597 | 81,918 | 679 | 85,120 | 87,349 |
| Pennsylvania | 291,439 | 286,351 | 5,088 | 307,907 | 291,434 |
| Puerto Rico | 123,238 | 8,648 | 114,590 | 4,853 | 6,785 |
| Rhode Island | 18,567 | 18,519 | 48 | 19,005 | 19,885 |
| South Carolina | 71,491 | 77,607 | -6,116 | 77,607 | 79,034 |
| South Dakota | 1,277 | 1,245 | 32 | 1,170 | 1,171 |
| Tennessee | 55,969 | 57,738 | -1,769 | 58,324 | 58,973 |
| Texas | 441,882 | 602,468 | -160,586 | 426,994 | 553,093 |
| Utah | 11,417 | 11,156 | 261 | 10,884 | 11,065 |
| Vermont | 10,849 | 10,697 | 152 | 10,728 | 10,371 |
| Virgin Islands | 20 | 22 | -2 | 21 | 26 |
| Virginia | 14,497 | 16,507 | -2,010 | 16,936 | 17,561 |
| Washington | 2,255 | 2,337 | -82 | 2,560 | 2,795 |
| West Virginia | 17,637 | 17,368 | 269 | 17,057 | 17,146 |
| Wisconsin | 29,640 | 26,650 | 2,990 | 25,130 | 38,087 |
| Wyoming | 4,969 | 4,982 | -13 | 4,834 | 572 |
| US Total | 5,265,193 | 4,973,804 | 291,389 | 5,194,099 | 5,605,935 |

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 24 | April 17 | Change |
| Alabama | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Alaska | 13 | 17 | -4 |
| Arizona | 335 | 1,122 | -787 |
| Arkansas | 27 | 15 | 12 |
| California | 190,968 | 152,949 | 38,019 |
| Colorado | 28 | 22 | 6 |
| Connecticut | 1,166 | 959 | 207 |
| Delaware | 1 | 10 | -9 |
| District of Columbia | 7 | 6 | 1 |
| Florida | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Georgia | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Hawaii | 9 | 10 | -1 |
| Idaho | 11 | 6 | 5 |
| Illinois | 6,906 | 8,228 | -1,322 |
| Indiana | 0 | 18 | -18 |
| Iowa | 14 | 83 | -69 |
| Kansas | 642 | 619 | 23 |
| Kentucky | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Louisiana | 20 | 22 | -2 |
| Maine | 4 | 7 | -3 |
| Maryland | 7 | 510 | -503 |
| Massachusetts | 3,392 | 3,933 | -541 |
| Michigan | 2,009 | 3,119 | -1,110 |
| Minnesota | 0 | 4 | -4 |
| Mississippi | 208 | 201 | 7 |
| Missouri | 160 | 59 | 101 |
| Montana | 2 | 10 | -8 |
| Nebraska | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| Nevada | 11,385 | 12,749 | -1,364 |
| New Hampshire | 16 | 13 | 3 |
| New Jersey | 11,031 | 50,161 | -39,130 |
| New Mexico | 418 | 472 | -54 |
| New York | 181,938 | 185,496 | -3,558 |
| North Carolina | 103 | 103 | 0 |
| North Dakota | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ohio | 38 | 13 | 25 |
| Oklahoma | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Oregon | 79 | 131 | -52 |
| Pennsylvania | 6,553 | 7,318 | -765 |
| Puerto Rico | 4,196 | 720 | 3,476 |
| Rhode Island | 410 | 473 | -63 |
| South Carolina | 39 | 87 | -48 |
| South Dakota | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Tennessee | 34 | 38 | -4 |
| Texas | 10,136 | 23,014 | -12,878 |
| Utah | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Vermont | 3 | 5 | -2 |
| Virgin Islands | 14 | 10 | 4 |
| Virginia | 360 | 351 | 9 |
| Washington | 32 | 11 | 21 |
| West Virginia | 8 | 9 | -1 |
| Wisconsin | 481 | 556 | -75 |
| Wyoming | 3 | 7 | -4 |
| US Total | 433,209 | 453,666 | -20,457 |

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

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED DURING WEEK ENDED
MAY 1

INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT FOR WEEK ENDED
APRIL 24

| STATE NAME | STATE | CHANGE FROM | | | | STATE (%) ² | CHANGE FROM | | | | ALL PROGRAMS EXCLUDING RAILROAD RETIREMENT | |
|----------------------|---------|--------------|-------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------------|------------------|---|-----------|
| | | LAST WEEK | YEAR AGO | UCFE ¹ | UCX ¹ | | LAST WEEK | YEAR AGO | UCFE ¹ | UCX ¹ | | |
| Alabama | 10,325 | 509 | -18,660 | 25 | 14 | 18,099 | 1.0 | -507 | -196,585 | 38 | 37 | 18,174 |
| Alaska | 2,829 | -569 | -5,889 | 13 | 0 | 12,949 | 4.5 | -494 | -36,944 | 117 | 23 | 13,089 |
| Arizona | 7,267 | -406 | -35,756 | 4 | 1 | 54,641 | 1.9 | 2,804 | -164,119 | 182 | 125 | 54,948 |
| Arkansas | 2,654 | -453 | -10,794 | 5 | 1 | 20,053 | 1.7 | 67 | -99,279 | 125 | 29 | 20,207 |
| California | 70,766 | -7,840 | -245,491 | 180 | 83 | 583,538 | 3.5 | 2,030 | -4,224,823 | 2,545 | 1,278 | 587,361 |
| Colorado | 4,503 | -1,340 | -23,857 | 4 | 9 | 61,309 | 2.4 | -638 | -167,374 | 142 | 130 | 61,581 |
| Connecticut | 4,918 | -984 | -31,220 | 11 | 8 | 76,013 | 4.9 | -5,459 | -221,536 | 293 | 64 | 76,370 |
| Delaware | 5,466 | 1,294 | -831 | 5 | 3 | 11,312 | 2.6 | 621 | -41,189 | 63 | 25 | 11,400 |
| District of Columbia | 1,551 | -1,237 | -6,562 | 37 | 1 | 19,891 | 3.6 | -85 | -38,743 | 1,025 | 6 | 20,922 |
| Florida | 19,765 | -8,252 | -155,095 | 34 | 35 | 126,561 | 1.5 | -3,067 | -318,000 | 458 | 241 | 127,260 |
| Georgia | 25,429 | -3,335 | -202,923 | 26 | 10 | 139,595 | 3.3 | 9,628 | -746,169 | 623 | 309 | 140,527 |
| Hawaii | 2,794 | -411 | -12,383 | 2 | 11 | 17,405 | 3.1 | -431 | -70,705 | 106 | 120 | 17,631 |
| Idaho | 3,392 | -1 | -4,103 | 4 | 4 | 9,680 | 1.3 | 269 | -62,114 | 64 | 18 | 9,762 |
| Illinois | 15,134 | -2,007 | -59,342 | 12 | 6 | 247,832 | 4.4 | 17,097 | -448,139 | 815 | 184 | 248,831 |
| Indiana | 8,581 | -5,926 | -33,709 | 32 | 14 | 64,342 | 2.2 | 4,726 | -206,906 | 282 | 87 | 64,711 |
| Iowa | 3,145 | -810 | -20,096 | 5 | 2 | 27,764 | 1.9 | -2,768 | -151,846 | 70 | 17 | 27,851 |
| Kansas | 2,390 | 236 | -9,526 | 0 | 0 | 8,551 | 0.6 | 240 | -93,778 | 34 | 20 | 8,605 |
| Kentucky | 12,151 | 4,714 | -57,221 | 2 | 1 | 21,323 | 1.2 | -2,249 | -234,877 | 69 | 52 | 21,444 |
| Louisiana | 6,783 | -331 | -44,158 | 9 | 4 | 52,018 | 2.9 | 710 | -257,995 | 94 | 19 | 52,131 |
| Maine | 1,391 | -298 | -5,602 | 4 | 1 | 13,721 | 2.4 | -133 | -63,052 | 36 | 11 | 13,768 |
| Maryland | 8,677 | 117 | -54,628 | 16 | 3 | 45,129 | 2.1 | 474 | -181,914 | 292 | 112 | 45,533 |
| Massachusetts | 11,881 | -3,240 | -44,003 | 46 | 10 | 111,869 | 3.3 | 14,644 | -458,087 | 289 | 119 | 112,277 |
| Michigan | 31,356 | 352 | -36,043 | 5 | 2 | 122,497 | 3.1 | 12,548 | -873,877 | 152 | 43 | 122,692 |
| Minnesota | 4,310 | -348 | -37,182 | 12 | 6 | 80,853 | 3.0 | -5,681 | -339,359 | 154 | 83 | 81,090 |
| Mississippi | 3,528 | -455 | -22,217 | 0 | 1 | 27,390 | 2.6 | -668 | -134,688 | 177 | 21 | 27,588 |
| Missouri | 8,305 | -4,183 | -44,222 | 8 | 3 | 57,477 | 2.2 | 4,565 | -189,186 | 188 | 16 | 57,681 |
| Montana | 1,484 | -315 | -3,112 | 8 | 3 | 10,267 | 2.3 | -74 | -52,867 | 141 | 18 | 10,426 |
| Nebraska | 1,409 | 52 | -5,009 | 3 | 3 | 8,421 | 0.9 | 377 | -60,461 | 11 | 5 | 8,437 |
| Nevada | 8,979 | -2,075 | -19,571 | 4 | 1 | 82,203 | 6.4 | 2,283 | -221,370 | 127 | 97 | 82,427 |
| New Hampshire | 499 | -1,010 | -11,976 | 1 | 1 | 19,319 | 3.1 | -758 | -96,261 | 39 | 1 | 19,359 |
| New Jersey | 14,324 | 2,002 | -74,002 | 19 | 18 | 113,091 | 3.0 | -4,617 | -529,560 | 293 | 182 | 113,566 |
| New Mexico | 3,953 | 373 | -9,722 | 2 | 2 | 27,449 | 3.6 | -246 | -68,708 | 194 | 51 | 27,694 |
| New York | 31,523 | -9,533 | -163,587 | 14 | 22 | 369,325 | 4.2 | -5,746 | -1,380,246 | 406 | 364 | 370,095 |
| North Carolina | 7,051 | -3,058 | -78,905 | 2 | 8 | 48,704 | 1.1 | -782 | -542,341 | 186 | 208 | 49,098 |
| North Dakota | 770 | -425 | -3,274 | 1 | 0 | 4,626 | 1.2 | -820 | -31,201 | 14 | 5 | 4,645 |
| Ohio | 18,697 | -2,844 | -42,790 | 13 | 13 | 115,209 | 2.2 | -6,196 | -644,127 | 183 | 158 | 115,550 |
| Oklahoma | 10,977 | -6,392 | -82,908 | 13 | 6 | 25,131 | 1.7 | -907 | -129,540 | 93 | 42 | 25,266 |
| Oregon | 10,993 | -397 | -37,127 | 44 | 12 | 58,994 | 3.2 | -1,135 | -249,995 | 501 | 87 | 59,582 |
| Pennsylvania | 21,960 | -2,327 | -36,280 | 117 | 26 | 214,640 | 4.0 | -4,071 | -1,018,659 | 1,235 | 426 | 216,301 |
| Puerto Rico | 2,777 | 824 | -19,109 | 4 | 4 | 35,925 | 4.4 | 12,002 | -109,215 | 299 | 36 | 36,260 |
| Rhode Island | 7,764 | -277 | -1,324 | 4 | 2 | 20,379 | 4.6 | 2,515 | -77,194 | 67 | 48 | 20,494 |
| South Carolina | 2,899 | -192 | -44,774 | 13 | 11 | 39,552 | 2.0 | -1,292 | -220,857 | 55 | 76 | 39,683 |
| South Dakota | 264 | -124 | -3,665 | 3 | 0 | 3,202 | 0.8 | 254 | -20,589 | 43 | 3 | 3,248 |
| Tennessee | 8,255 | -1,582 | -28,068 | 14 | 11 | 52,236 | 1.6 | -1,302 | -288,013 | 75 | 43 | 52,354 |
| Texas | 30,225 | -3,618 | -213,710 | 79 | 114 | 250,868 | 2.1 | -19,630 | -882,456 | 1,007 | 1,405 | 253,280 |
| Utah | 3,729 | -2,840 | -5,263 | 19 | 8 | 13,570 | 0.9 | 1,211 | -79,302 | 82 | 20 | 13,672 |
| Vermont | 6,372 | 1,142 | 2,497 | 0 | 0 | 12,595 | 4.5 | 1,073 | -47,940 | 19 | 0 | 12,614 |
| Virgin Islands | 209 | 14 | 164 | 1 | 0 | 1,316 | 3.6 | -464 | -566 | 0 | 6 | 1,322 |
| Virginia | 12,231 | -25,125 | -47,400 | 19 | 8 | 55,195 | 1.5 | 914 | -321,494 | 267 | 244 | 55,706 |
| Washington | 10,780 | -1,134 | -91,436 | 11 | 14 | 76,346 | 2.3 | -1,565 | -527,702 | 391 | 495 | 77,232 |
| West Virginia | 5,098 | -2,967 | -8,129 | 3 | 1 | 17,209 | 2.7 | 608 | -93,168 | 167 | 28 | 17,404 |
| Wisconsin | 10,351 | -1,001 | -27,534 | 13 | 5 | 84,704 | 2.7 | -7,175 | -229,321 | 166 | 49 | 84,919 |
| Wyoming | 858 | -305 | -1,996 | 2 | 0 | 3,937 | 1.6 | -70 | -13,584 | 50 | 1 | 3,988 |
| Totals | 513,722 | -98,338 | -2,279,523 | 927 | 526 | 3,796,225 | 2.7 | 12,630 | -17,958,021 | 14,544 | 7,287 | 3,818,056 |

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 MAY 1, 2021

STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

| State | Change | State Supplied Comment |
|--------------|---------------|-------------------------------|
| KY | +4,714 | No comment. |
| NJ | +2,002 | No comment. |
| DE | +1,294 | No comment. |
| VT | +1,142 | No comment. |

STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

| State | Change | State Supplied Comment |
|--------------|---------------|--|
| VA | -25,125 | No comment. |
| NY | -9,533 | Fewer layoffs in the health care and social assistance, retail trade, and accommodation and food services industries. |
| FL | -8,252 | No comment. |
| CA | -7,840 | Fewer layoffs in the service industry. |
| OK | -6,392 | No comment. |
| IN | -5,926 | No comment. |
| MO | -4,183 | Fewer layoffs in the manufacturing and administrative and support and waste management and remediation services industries. |
| TX | -3,618 | No comment. |
| GA | -3,335 | Fewer layoffs in the trade, educational services, and accommodation and food services industries. |
| MA | -3,240 | No comment. |
| NC | -3,058 | Fewer layoffs in the transportation and warehousing, accommodation and food services, and administrative and support and waste management and remediation services industries. |
| WV | -2,967 | No comment. |
| OH | -2,844 | No comment. |
| UT | -2,840 | No comment. |
| PA | -2,327 | Fewer layoffs in the transportation and warehousing and construction industries. |
| NV | -2,075 | No comment. |
| IL | -2,007 | No comment. |
| TN | -1,582 | No comment. |
| CO | -1,340 | No comment. |
| DC | -1,237 | No comment. |
| WA | -1,134 | No comment. |
| NH | -1,010 | No comment. |
| WI | -1,001 | 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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