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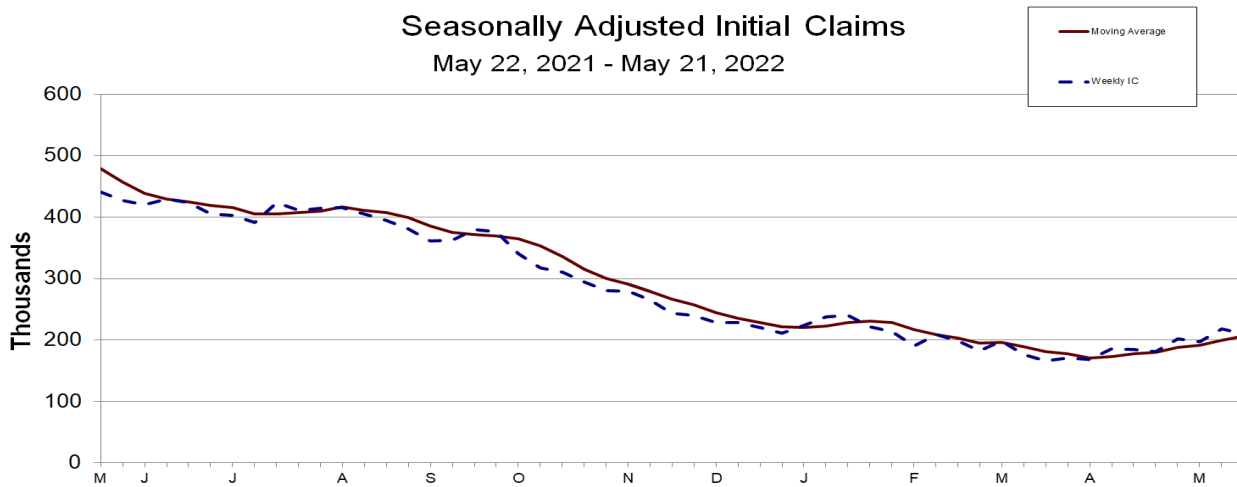
## UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS

### SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

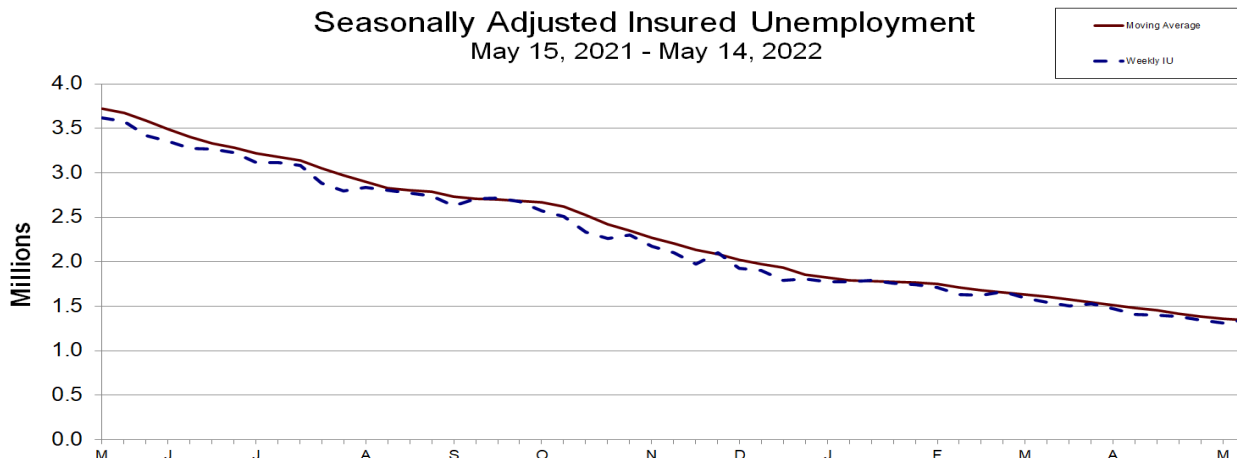
In the week ending May 21, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 210,000, a decrease of 8,000 from the previous week's unrevised level of 218,000. The 4-week moving average was 206,750, an increase of 7,250 from the previous week's unrevised average of 199,500.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 1.0 percent for the week ending May 14, 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 May 14 was 1,346,000, an increase of 31,000 from the previous week's revised level. The previous week's level was revised down by 2,000 from 1,317,000 to 1,315,000. The 4-week moving average was 1,347,500, a decrease of 14,250 from the previous week's revised average. This is the lowest level for this average since January 17, 1970 when it was 1,340,000. The previous week's average was revised down by 500 from 1,362,250 to 1,361,750.

Seasonally Adjusted Initial Claims  
May 22, 2021 - May 21, 2022



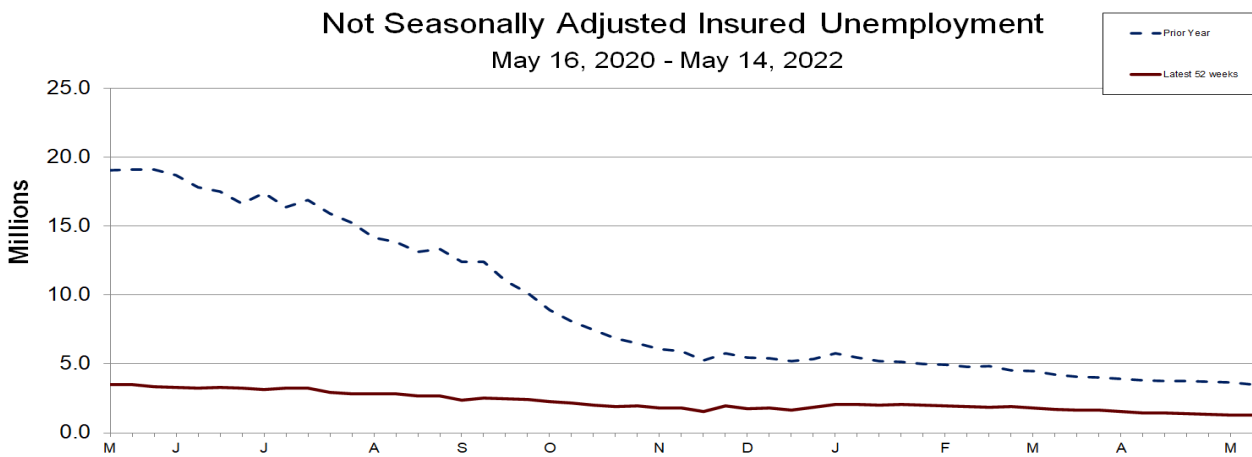
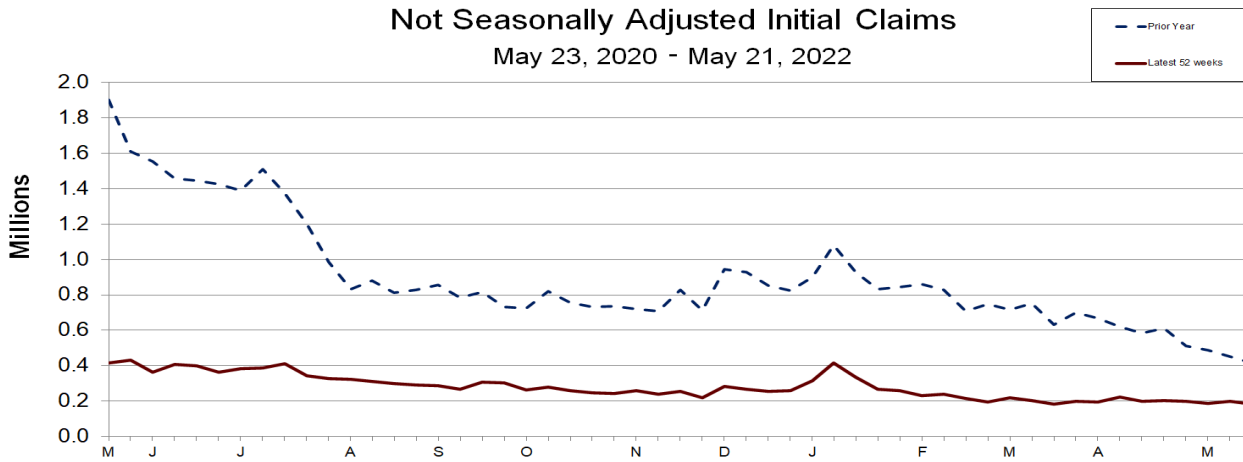
Seasonally Adjusted Insured Unemployment  
May 15, 2021 - May 14, 2022



**UNADJUSTED DATA**

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 183,927 in the week ending May 21, a decrease of 14,534 (or -7.3 percent) from the previous week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 7,616 (or -3.8 percent) from the previous week. There were 416,310 initial claims in the comparable week in 2021.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 0.9 percent during the week ending May 14, unchanged from the prior week. The advance unadjusted level of insured unemployment in state programs totaled 1,293,442, an increase of 9,992 (or 0.8 percent) from the preceding week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 19,725 (or -1.5 percent) from the previous week. A year earlier the rate was 2.5 percent and the volume was 3,502,467.



The total number of continued weeks claimed for benefits in all programs for the week ending May 7 was 1,317,178, a decrease of 54,282 from the previous week. There were 15,797,261 weekly claims filed for benefits in all programs in the comparable week in 2021.

No state was triggered "on" the Extended Benefits program during the week ending May 7.

Initial claims for UI benefits filed by former Federal civilian employees totaled 431 in the week ending May 14, a decrease of 42 from the prior week. There were 339 initial claims filed by newly discharged veterans, a decrease of 50 from the preceding week.

There were 6,556 continued weeks claimed filed by former Federal civilian employees the week ending May 7, an increase of 10 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 4,539, an increase of 40 from the prior week.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending May 7 were in California (2.0), New Jersey (1.9), Alaska (1.7), New York (1.4), Puerto Rico (1.4), Massachusetts (1.3), Rhode Island (1.3), Illinois (1.2), Minnesota (1.2), Pennsylvania (1.2), and the Virgin Islands (1.2).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending May 14 were in Kentucky (+6,712), California (+1,968), Illinois (+1,742), Ohio (+1,189), and Florida (+629), while the largest decreases were in Michigan (-384), Georgia (-325), Colorado (-301), Arizona (-278), and District of Columbia (-251).

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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

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<b>WEEK ENDING</b>	<b>May 21</b>	<b>May 14</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>May 7</b>	<b>Prior Year<sup>1</sup></b>
Initial Claims (SA)	210,000	218,000	-8,000	197,000	441,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	183,927	198,461	-14,534	185,900	416,310
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	206,750	199,500	+7,250	191,250	479,750

<b>WEEK ENDING</b>	<b>May 14</b>	<b>May 7</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>April 30</b>	<b>Prior Year<sup>1</sup></b>
Insured Unemployment (SA)	1,346,000	1,315,000	+31,000	1,342,000	3,618,000
Insured Unemployment (NSA)	1,293,442	1,283,450	+9,992	1,333,565	3,502,467
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	1,347,500	1,361,750	-14,250	1,384,750	3,719,500
Insured Unemployment Rate (SA) <sup>2</sup>	1.0%	0.9%	+0.1	1.0%	2.6%
Insured Unemployment Rate (NSA) <sup>2</sup>	0.9%	0.9%	0.0	1.0%	2.5%

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INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)<sup>3</sup>

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<b>WEEK ENDING</b>	<b>May 14</b>	<b>May 7</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Prior Year<sup>1</sup></b>
Federal Employees (UCFE)	431	473	-42	835
Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX)	339	389	-50	606

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CONTINUED WEEKS CLAIMED FILED FOR UI BENEFITS IN ALL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)<sup>3</sup>

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<b>WEEK ENDING</b>	<b>May 7</b>	<b>April 30</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Prior Year<sup>1</sup></b>
Regular State	1,280,616	1,330,393	-49,777	3,640,175
Federal Employees	6,556	6,546	+10	13,452
Newly Discharged Veterans	4,539	4,499	+40	7,298
Extended Benefits <sup>4</sup>	13,508	17,268	-3,760	342,417
State Additional Benefits <sup>5</sup>	1,979	2,108	-129	1,764
STC / Workshare <sup>6</sup>	9,980	10,646	-666	84,856
<b>TOTAL<sup>7</sup></b>	<b>1,317,178</b>	<b>1,371,460</b>	<b>-54,282</b>	<b>15,797,261</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 140,025,048 as denominator.
3. NOTICE: Ongoing claims for PUA and PEUC are no longer included in this news release. Any ongoing claims for these programs represent activity for periods prior to the programs' expiration on September 6, 2021. Claims activity for these programs will continue to be posted online at: [Weekly Pandemic Program Claims](#)
4. Information on the EB program can be found here: [EB Program information](#)
5. Some states maintain additional benefit programs for those claimants who exhaust regular benefits, and when applicable, extended benefits. Information on states that participate, and the extent of benefits paid, can be found starting on page 4-5 of this link: [Extensions and Special Programs PDF](#)
6. Information on STC/Worksharing can be found starting on page 4-11 of the following link: [Extensions and Special Programs PDF](#)
7. Prior year total includes PUA and PEUC claims.

## Advance State Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

STATE	Initial Claims Filed During Week Ended May 21			Insured Unemployment For Week Ended May 14		
	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Advance	Prior Wk	Change
Alabama	1,978	2,343	-365	2,944	3,912	-968
Alaska	881	716	165	4,667	5,009	-342
Arizona	3,053	3,113	-60	15,870	17,695	-1,825
Arkansas	1,246	1,572	-326	6,435	6,796	-361
California	40,322	45,638	-5,316	336,241	322,281	13,960
Colorado	2,314	2,118	196	17,522	16,566	956
Connecticut	2,561	2,291	270	16,996	16,544	452
Delaware	320	305	15	2,897	2,739	158
District of Columbia	385	558	-173	3,191	3,548	-357
Florida	4,930	5,104	-174	29,638	31,843	-2,205
Georgia	4,396	3,971	425	25,589	25,834	-245
Hawaii	1,176	1,242	-66	6,099	5,903	196
Idaho	642	659	-17	2,969	3,310	-341
Illinois	8,776	12,835	-4,059	66,885	65,022	1,863
Indiana	4,040	4,257	-217	18,301	17,707	594
Iowa	1,361	1,304	57	6,322	7,017	-695
Kansas	1,165	986	179	3,577	3,728	-151
Kentucky	4,809	8,373	-3,564	11,258	7,192	4,066
Louisiana	1,624	1,739	-115	8,905	9,646	-741
Maine	457	450	7	4,085	4,304	-219
Maryland	1,653	1,742	-89	12,601	13,422	-821
Massachusetts	4,026	4,084	-58	41,160	42,247	-1,087
Michigan	6,067	6,641	-574	34,500	34,945	-445
Minnesota	3,090	2,945	145	30,072	30,503	-431
Mississippi	1,533	1,194	339	3,835	4,120	-285
Missouri	3,956	2,908	1,048	11,208	11,826	-618
Montana	479	491	-12	3,226	3,434	-208
Nebraska	723	778	-55	2,745	2,563	182
Nevada	1,658	1,821	-163	12,559	13,718	-1,159
New Hampshire	209	251	-42	1,582	1,769	-187
New Jersey	5,969	6,230	-261	73,197	72,286	911
New Mexico	796	789	7	7,788	7,830	-42
New York	11,955	13,364	-1,409	119,898	122,271	-2,373
North Carolina	2,933	2,731	202	12,457	12,743	-286
North Dakota	288	215	73	1,581	1,680	-99
Ohio	8,193	8,237	-44	29,876	30,307	-431
Oklahoma	1,605	1,890	-285	10,015	11,266	-1,251
Oregon	3,086	3,110	-24	20,841	20,665	176
Pennsylvania	8,632	8,797	-165	64,610	67,072	-2,462
Puerto Rico	1,003	1,157	-154	11,030	12,033	-1,003
Rhode Island	711	588	123	5,649	5,753	-104
South Carolina	1,648	1,875	-227	9,635	9,527	108
South Dakota	121	146	-25	660	760	-100
Tennessee	2,117	2,090	27	10,418	11,043	-625
Texas	14,102	13,890	212	93,139	88,376	4,763
Utah	1,377	1,343	34	5,334	5,415	-81
Vermont	307	264	43	2,065	2,096	-31
Virgin Islands	25	37	-12	442	426	16
Virginia	1,398	1,301	97	10,522	8,511	2,011
Washington	3,591	3,885	-294	36,298	34,326	1,972
West Virginia	701	612	89	5,659	5,401	258
Wisconsin	3,263	3,233	30	16,808	16,928	-120
Wyoming	276	248	28	1,641	1,592	49
US Total	183,927	198,461	-14,534	1,293,442	1,283,450	9,992

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 15, 2021	467	-27	513.00	3,618	-119	3,719.50	2.6
May 22, 2021	441	-26	479.75	3,575	-43	3,671.50	2.6
May 29, 2021	427	-14	457.25	3,422	-153	3,588.00	2.5
June 5, 2021	420	-7	438.75	3,352	-70	3,491.75	2.4
June 12, 2021	429	9	429.25	3,271	-81	3,405.00	2.3
June 19, 2021	424	-5	425.00	3,266	-5	3,327.75	2.3
June 26, 2021	405	-19	419.50	3,230	-36	3,279.75	2.3
July 3, 2021	403	-2	415.25	3,116	-114	3,220.75	2.3
July 10, 2021	391	-12	405.75	3,116	0	3,182.00	2.3
July 17, 2021	424	33	405.75	3,082	-34	3,136.00	2.2
July 24, 2021	411	-13	407.25	2,881	-201	3,048.75	2.1
July 31, 2021	414	3	410.00	2,794	-87	2,968.25	2.0
August 7, 2021	416	2	416.25	2,839	45	2,899.00	2.1
August 14, 2021	405	-11	411.50	2,804	-35	2,829.50	2.0
August 21, 2021	395	-10	407.50	2,772	-32	2,802.25	2.0
August 28, 2021	381	-14	399.25	2,740	-32	2,788.75	2.0
September 4, 2021	361	-20	385.50	2,628	-112	2,736.00	1.9
September 11, 2021	363	2	375.00	2,705	77	2,711.25	2.0
September 18, 2021	380	17	371.25	2,720	15	2,698.25	2.0
September 25, 2021	376	-4	370.00	2,674	-46	2,681.75	2.0
October 2, 2021	340	-36	364.75	2,571	-103	2,667.50	1.9
October 9, 2021	317	-23	353.25	2,512	-59	2,619.25	1.9
October 16, 2021	310	-7	335.75	2,334	-178	2,522.75	1.7
October 23, 2021	294	-16	315.25	2,263	-71	2,420.00	1.7
October 30, 2021	280	-14	300.25	2,303	40	2,353.00	1.7
November 6, 2021	279	-1	290.75	2,172	-131	2,268.00	1.6
November 13, 2021	265	-14	279.50	2,100	-72	2,209.50	1.6
November 20, 2021	244	-21	267.00	1,976	-124	2,137.75	1.5
November 27, 2021	240	-4	257.00	2,098	122	2,086.50	1.6
December 4, 2021	228	-12	244.25	1,927	-171	2,025.25	1.4
December 11, 2021	228	0	235.00	1,904	-23	1,976.25	1.4
December 18, 2021	220	-8	229.00	1,793	-111	1,930.50	1.3
December 25, 2021	211	-9	221.75	1,805	12	1,857.25	1.3
January 1, 2022	224	13	220.75	1,778	-27	1,820.00	1.3
January 8, 2022	238	14	223.25	1,776	-2	1,788.00	1.3
January 15, 2022	240	2	228.25	1,787	11	1,786.50	1.3
January 22, 2022	222	-18	231.00	1,757	-30	1,774.50	1.3
January 29, 2022	214	-8	228.50	1,743	-14	1,765.75	1.3
February 5, 2022	191	-23	216.75	1,714	-29	1,750.25	1.2
February 12, 2022	209	18	209.00	1,633	-81	1,711.75	1.2
February 19, 2022	198	-11	203.00	1,623	-10	1,678.25	1.2
February 26, 2022	182	-16	195.00	1,664	41	1,658.50	1.2
March 5, 2022	198	16	196.75	1,594	-70	1,628.50	1.2
March 12, 2022	177	-21	188.75	1,542	-52	1,605.75	1.1
March 19, 2022	166	-11	180.75	1,506	-36	1,576.50	1.1
March 26, 2022	171	5	178.00	1,529	23	1,542.75	1.1
April 2, 2022	168	-3	170.50	1,474	-55	1,512.75	1.1
April 9, 2022	186	18	172.75	1,407	-67	1,479.00	1.0
April 16, 2022	185	-1	177.50	1,403	-4	1,453.25	1.0
April 23, 2022	181	-4	180.00	1,387	-16	1,417.75	1.0
April 30, 2022	202	21	188.50	1,342	-45	1,384.75	1.0
May 7, 2022	197	-5	191.25	1,315	-27	1,361.75	0.9
May 14, 2022	218	21	199.50	1,346	31	1,347.50	1.0
May 21, 2022	210	-8	206.75				

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED DURING WEEK ENDED  
MAY 14

INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT FOR WEEK ENDED  
MAY 7

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	2,343	322	-7,034	4	10	3,912	0.2	479	-13,478	33	20	3,965
Alaska	716	-83	-2,039	0	0	5,009	1.7	-256	-7,394	55	9	5,073
Arizona	3,113	-278	-2,265	2	3	17,695	0.6	616	-38,226	48	15	17,758
Arkansas	1,572	-122	-799	2	3	6,796	0.6	267	-12,757	35	13	6,844
California	45,638	1,968	-24,644	93	51	322,281	2.0	-18,768	-313,499	1,493	1,134	324,908
Colorado	2,118	-301	-2,026	6	5	16,566	0.6	-547	-24,811	128	107	16,801
Connecticut	2,291	260	-2,384	6	4	16,544	1.1	-426	-53,350	52	40	16,636
Delaware	305	15	-3,937	1	4	2,739	0.6	-97	-8,122	54	3	2,796
District of Columbia	558	-251	-825	2	0	3,548	0.7	-558	-15,830	55	1	3,604
Florida	5,104	629	-9,457	18	22	31,843	0.4	57	-96,991	153	96	32,092
Georgia	3,971	-325	-21,470	52	15	25,834	0.6	729	-94,409	273	179	26,286
Hawaii	1,242	-20	-1,301	3	11	5,903	1.1	-108	-10,902	72	95	6,070
Idaho	659	18	-1,365	1	2	3,310	0.4	-176	-4,119	23	3	3,336
Illinois	12,835	1,742	-4,695	16	5	65,022	1.2	-3,942	-143,863	467	126	65,615
Indiana	4,257	-181	-2,700	5	4	17,707	0.7	-939	-39,982	87	35	17,829
Iowa	1,304	-236	-2,278	0	0	7,017	0.5	-298	-19,156	21	8	7,046
Kansas	986	-133	-887	1	1	3,728	0.3	89	-5,366	15	17	3,760
Kentucky	8,373	6,712	4,329	0	0	7,192	0.4	-1,320	-17,598	65	49	7,306
Louisiana	1,739	47	-4,588	0	1	9,646	0.5	121	-42,080	57	15	9,718
Maine	450	-5	-774	1	0	4,304	0.7	-467	-7,548	10	12	4,326
Maryland	1,742	0	-3,795	9	3	13,422	0.6	-1,243	-30,573	119	56	13,597
Massachusetts	4,084	253	-5,410	10	8	42,247	1.3	-1,689	-44,882	123	60	42,430
Michigan	6,641	-384	-7,165	2	5	34,945	0.9	-6,538	-96,314	77	69	35,091
Minnesota	2,945	40	-2,923	4	1	30,503	1.2	-4,997	-41,664	63	58	30,624
Mississippi	1,194	143	-2,261	3	0	4,120	0.4	117	-22,958	70	14	4,204
Missouri	2,908	338	-3,940	2	2	11,826	0.4	279	-45,520	55	17	11,898
Montana	491	-10	-680	4	1	3,434	0.8	-332	-5,504	78	11	3,523
Nebraska	778	197	-628	0	0	2,563	0.3	45	-4,865	6	3	2,572
Nevada	1,821	-179	-2,357	2	1	13,718	1.1	411	-59,643	85	85	13,888
New Hampshire	251	-58	-124	0	2	1,769	0.3	-622	-15,859	5	2	1,776
New Jersey	6,230	383	-12,038	13	12	72,286	1.9	-2,071	-40,579	295	220	72,801
New Mexico	789	67	-2,607	3	2	7,830	1.0	-205	-18,868	82	25	7,937
New York	13,364	-21	-7,444	30	19	122,271	1.4	-2,733	-218,933	441	230	122,942
North Carolina	2,731	286	-4,406	1	1	12,743	0.3	-383	-34,913	47	60	12,850
North Dakota	215	-12	-395	1	1	1,680	0.4	-645	-2,142	13	2	1,695
Ohio	8,237	1,189	-9,338	9	14	30,307	0.6	-3,100	-76,917	61	80	30,448
Oklahoma	1,890	176	-6,754	8	6	11,266	0.7	-132	-22,988	50	36	11,352
Oregon	3,110	-185	-6,125	9	6	20,665	1.1	-152	-37,822	198	45	20,908
Pennsylvania	8,797	566	-14,109	15	2	67,072	1.2	6,420	-142,029	200	96	67,368
Puerto Rico	1,157	58	-867	3	2	12,033	1.4	442	-23,595	164	82	12,279
Rhode Island	588	-70	-7,725	0	3	5,753	1.3	-334	-14,236	19	23	5,795
South Carolina	1,875	76	-713	7	4	9,527	0.5	191	-28,649	48	39	9,614
South Dakota	146	28	-263	4	0	760	0.2	-181	-1,763	33	4	797
Tennessee	2,090	-96	-5,631	0	3	11,043	0.3	285	-42,264	31	10	11,084
Texas	13,890	461	-13,678	56	76	88,376	0.7	-5,937	-140,410	614	827	89,817
Utah	1,343	-117	-1,699	9	1	5,415	0.4	-78	-7,727	39	16	5,470
Vermont	264	-37	-94	1	0	2,096	0.7	-83	-8,081	1	0	2,097
Virgin Islands	37	-1	-171	0	1	426	1.2	24	-414	2	0	428
Virginia	1,301	-69	-9,341	2	3	8,511	0.2	1,002	-51,902	69	63	8,643
Washington	3,885	-152	-16,029	9	17	34,326	1.1	-892	-59,566	173	268	34,767
West Virginia	612	-65	-5,917	0	1	5,401	0.9	-134	-12,893	37	27	5,465
Wisconsin	3,233	5	-6,647	1	0	16,928	0.6	-1,325	-57,229	47	18	16,993
Wyoming	248	-27	-428	1	1	1,592	0.6	19	-1,815	15	16	1,623
Totals	198,461	12,561	-252,841	431	339	1,283,450	0.9	-50,115	-2,382,998	6,556	4,539	1,294,545

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.

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**UNADJUSTED INITIAL CLAIMS FOR WEEK ENDED MAY 14, 2022**

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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>
KY	+6,712	Layoffs in the automobile industry.
CA	+1,968	No comment.
IL	+1,742	Layoffs in the manufacturing, wholesale trade, retail trade, and other services industries.
OH	+1,189	No comment.

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

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<b>State</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>State Supplied Comment</b>
None		



## TECHNICAL NOTES

This news release presents the weekly unemployment insurance (UI) claims reported by each state's unemployment insurance program offices. These claims may be used for monitoring workload volume, assessing state program operations and for assessing labor market conditions. States initially report claims directly taken by the state liable for the benefit payments, regardless of where the claimant who filed the claim resided. These are the basis for the advance initial claims and continued claims reported each week. These data come from ETA 538, Advance Weekly Initial and Continued Claims Report. The following week initial claims and continued claims are revised based on a second reporting by states that reflect the claimants by state of residence. These data come from the ETA 539, Weekly Claims and Extended Benefits Trigger Data Report.

### A. Initial Claims

An initial claim is a claim filed by an unemployed individual after a separation from an employer. The claimant requests a determination of basic eligibility for the UI program. When an initial claim is filed with a state, certain programmatic activities take place and these result in activity counts including the count of initial claims. The count of U.S. initial claims for unemployment insurance is a leading economic indicator because it is an indication of emerging labor market conditions in the country. However, these are weekly administrative data which are difficult to seasonally adjust, making the series subject to some volatility.

### B. Continued Weeks Claimed

A person who has already filed an initial claim and who has experienced a week of unemployment then files a continued claim to claim benefits for that week of unemployment. On a weekly basis, continued claims are also referred to as insured unemployment, as continued claims reflect a good approximation of the current number of insured unemployed workers filing for UI benefits. The count of U.S. continued weeks claimed is also a good indicator of labor market conditions. While continued claims are not a leading indicator (they roughly coincide with economic cycles at their peaks and lag at cycle troughs), they provide confirming evidence of the direction of the U.S. economy.

### C. Seasonal Adjustments and Annual Revisions

Over the course of a year, the weekly changes in the levels of initial claims and continued claims undergo regularly occurring fluctuations. These fluctuations may result from seasonal changes in weather, major holidays, the opening and closing of schools, or other similar events. Because these seasonal events follow a more or less regular pattern each year, their influence on the level of a series can be tempered by adjusting for regular seasonal variation. These adjustments make trend and cycle developments easier to spot. At the beginning of each calendar year, the Bureau of Labor Statistics provides the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) with a set of seasonal factors to apply to the unadjusted data during that year. Concurrent with the implementation and release of the new seasonal factors, ETA incorporates revisions to the UI claims historical series caused by updates to the unadjusted data. For further questions on the seasonal adjustment methodology, please see the [official release page for the UI claims seasonal adjustment factors](#) or contact BLS directly through the [Local Area Unemployment Statistics web contact form](#).

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