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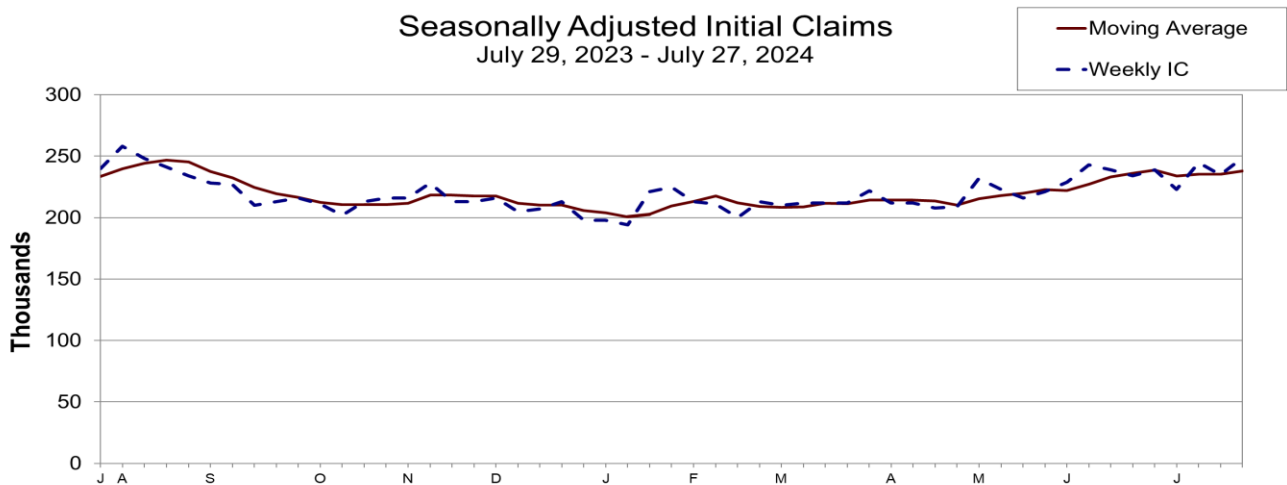
## UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS

### SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

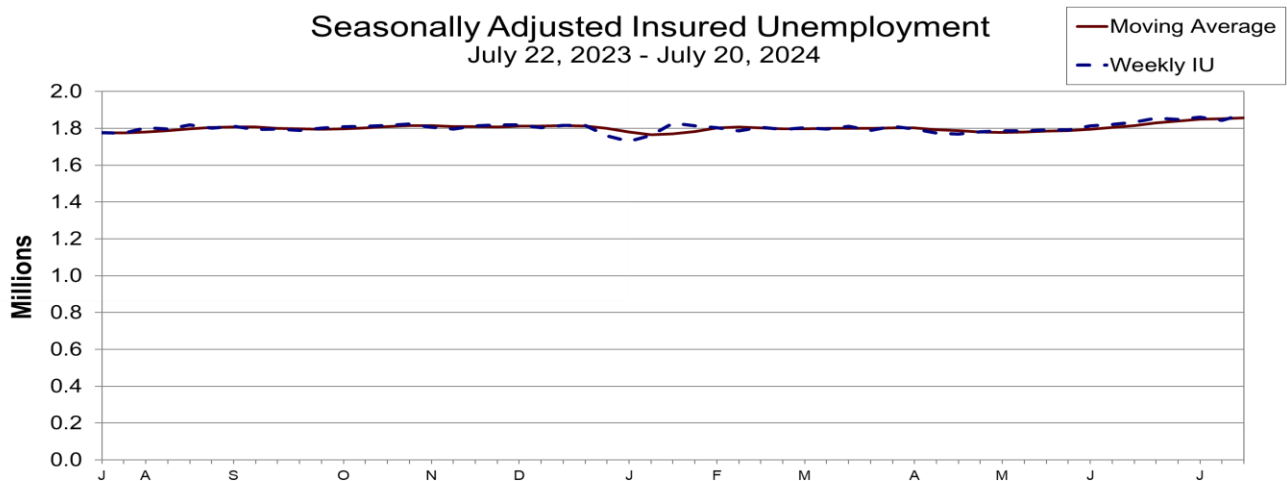
In the week ending July 27, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 249,000, an increase of 14,000 from the previous week's unrevised level of 235,000. The 4-week moving average was 238,000, an increase of 2,500 from the previous week's unrevised average of 235,500.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 1.2 percent for the week ending July 20, unchanged from the previous week's unrevised rate. The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending July 20 was 1,877,000, an increase of 33,000 from the previous week's revised level. This is the highest level for insured unemployment since November 27, 2021 when it was 1,878,000. The previous week's level was revised down by 7,000 from 1,851,000 to 1,844,000. The 4-week moving average was 1,857,000, an increase of 5,250 from the previous week's revised average. This is the highest level for this average since December 4, 2021 when it was 1,859,750. The previous week's average was revised down by 1,750 from 1,853,500 to 1,851,750.

Seasonally Adjusted Initial Claims  
July 29, 2023 - July 27, 2024



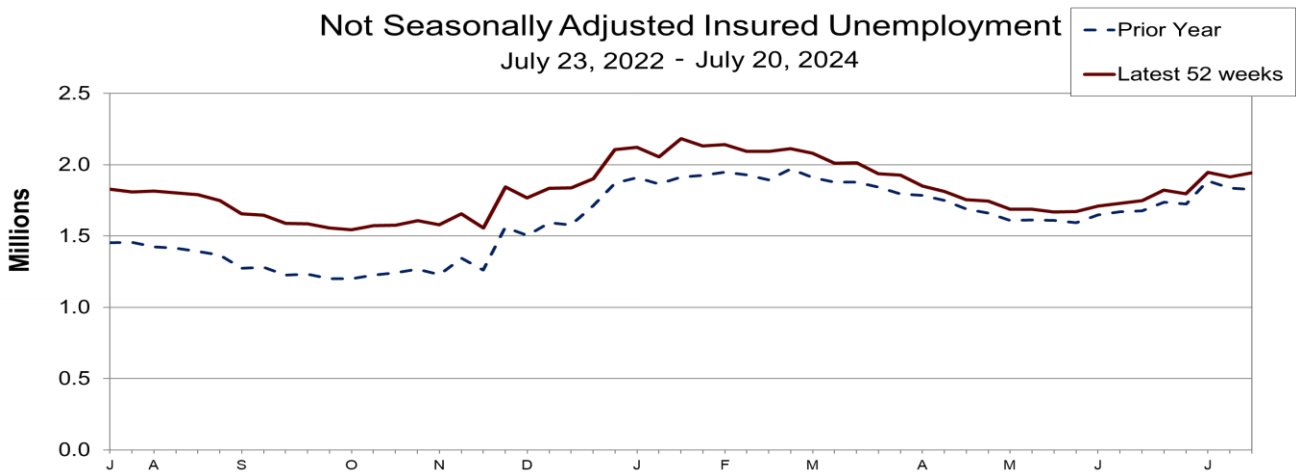
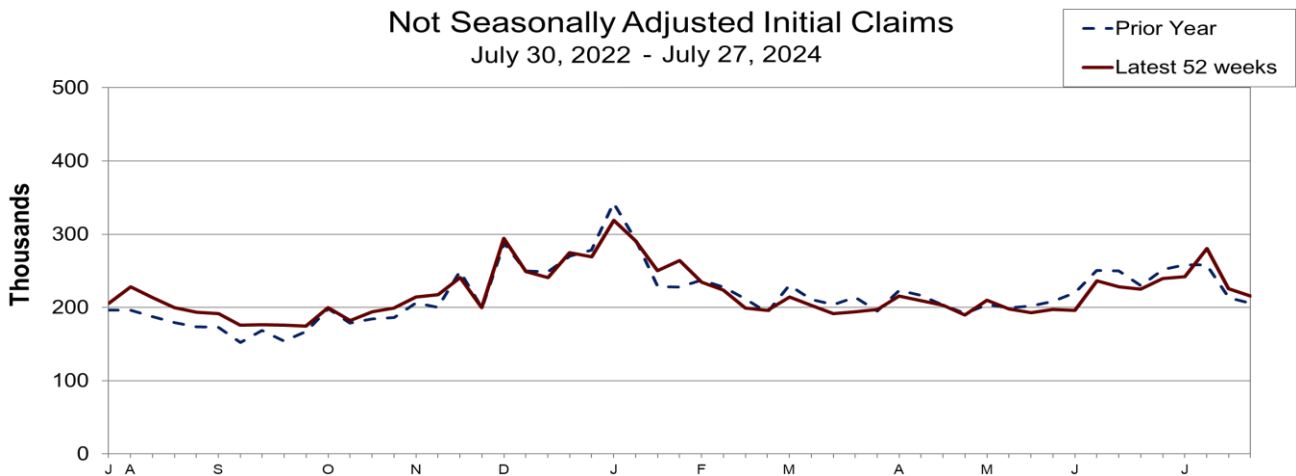
Seasonally Adjusted Insured Unemployment  
July 22, 2023 - July 20, 2024



**UNADJUSTED DATA**

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 215,827 in the week ending July 27, a decrease of 10,012 (or -4.4 percent) from the previous week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 21,901 (or -9.7 percent) from the previous week. There were 205,550 initial claims in the comparable week in 2023.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 1.3 percent during the week ending July 20, unchanged from the prior week. The advance unadjusted level of insured unemployment in state programs totaled 1,942,400, an increase of 28,730 (or 1.5 percent) from the preceding week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 5,531 (or -0.3 percent) from the previous week. A year earlier the rate was 1.2 percent and the volume was 1,827,375.



The total number of continued weeks claimed for benefits in all programs for the week ending July 13 was 1,938,827, a decrease of 31,446 from the previous week. There were 1,860,636 weekly claims filed for benefits in all programs in the comparable week in 2023.

No state was triggered "on" the Extended Benefits program during the week ending July 13.

Initial claims for UI benefits filed by former Federal civilian employees totaled 387 in the week ending July 20, a decrease of 87 from the prior week. There were 375 initial claims filed by newly discharged veterans, a decrease of 51 from the preceding week.

There were 4,659 continued weeks claimed filed by former Federal civilian employees the week ending July 13, a decrease of 48 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 4,556, an increase of 113 from the prior week.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending July 13 were in New Jersey (2.7), Rhode Island (2.6), Puerto Rico (2.4), California (2.2), Minnesota (2.0), Connecticut (1.8), Massachusetts (1.8), Pennsylvania (1.8), Illinois (1.7), Nevada (1.7), New York (1.7) and Washington (1.7).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending July 20 were in Texas (+5,962), Tennessee (+769), Delaware (+259), and the Virgin Islands (+7), while the largest decreases were in New York (-8,091), Michigan (-6,941), California (-5,326), Missouri (-3,610), and Kentucky (-3,301).

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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

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<b>WEEK ENDING</b>	<b>July 27</b>	<b>July 20</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>July 13</b>	<b>Prior Year<sup>1</sup></b>
Initial Claims (SA)	249,000	235,000	+14,000	245,000	240,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	215,827	225,839	-10,012	280,555	205,550
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	238,000	235,500	+2,500	235,250	233,500

<b>WEEK ENDING</b>	<b>July 20</b>	<b>July 13</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>July 6</b>	<b>Prior Year<sup>1</sup></b>
Insured Unemployment (SA)	1,877,000	1,844,000	+33,000	1,860,000	1,776,000
Insured Unemployment (NSA)	1,942,400	1,913,670	+28,730	1,945,771	1,827,375
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	1,857,000	1,851,750	+5,250	1,848,750	1,774,250
Insured Unemployment Rate (SA) <sup>2</sup>	1.2%	1.2%	0.0	1.2%	1.2%
Insured Unemployment Rate (NSA) <sup>2</sup>	1.3%	1.3%	0.0	1.3%	1.2%

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INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

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<b>WEEK ENDING</b>	<b>July 20</b>	<b>July 13</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Prior Year<sup>1</sup></b>
Federal Employees (UCFE)	387	474	-87	371
Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX)	375	426	-51	378

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

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<b>WEEK ENDING</b>	<b>July 13</b>	<b>July 6</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Prior Year<sup>1</sup></b>
Regular State	1,907,606	1,939,950	-32,344	1,830,636
Federal Employees	4,659	4,707	-48	4,869
Newly Discharged Veterans	4,556	4,443	+113	4,025
Extended Benefits <sup>3</sup>	278	249	+29	628
State Additional Benefits <sup>4</sup>	2,199	2,265	-66	1,650
STC / Workshare <sup>5</sup>	19,529	18,659	+870	18,828
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,938,827</b>	<b>1,970,273</b>	<b>-31,446</b>	<b>1,860,636</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 151,110,325 as denominator.
3. Information on the EB program can be found here: [EB Program information](#)
4. 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](#)
5. Information on STC/Worksharing can be found starting on page 4-11 of the following link: [Extensions and Special Programs PDF](#)

## Advance State Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

STATE	Initial Claims Filed During Week Ended July 27			Insured Unemployment For Week Ended July 20		
	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Advance	Prior Wk	Change
Alabama	2,010	2,442	-432	9,703	10,876	-1,173
Alaska	540	477	63	3,480	3,504	-24
Arizona	3,771	4,384	-613	30,826	32,635	-1,809
Arkansas	1,407	1,618	-211	8,803	9,135	-332
California	41,240	41,832	-592	408,648	399,243	9,405
Colorado	2,802	2,319	483	27,647	26,339	1,308
Connecticut	3,113	3,132	-19	30,426	29,587	839
Delaware	522	453	69	6,134	5,689	445
District of Columbia	543	655	-112	6,568	6,593	-25
Florida	5,258	7,059	-1,801	40,083	41,119	-1,036
Georgia	5,166	5,975	-809	30,166	31,399	-1,233
Hawaii	907	932	-25	6,013	5,957	56
Idaho	701	759	-58	4,654	5,168	-514
Illinois	7,794	8,409	-615	100,290	100,392	-102
Indiana	2,733	3,045	-312	20,214	23,222	-3,008
Iowa	2,413	2,169	244	10,188	10,172	16
Kansas	1,192	1,013	179	6,892	6,940	-48
Kentucky	1,658	1,785	-127	9,326	11,267	-1,941
Louisiana	1,648	1,939	-291	13,188	14,452	-1,264
Maine	336	419	-83	4,664	4,821	-157
Maryland	2,215	2,499	-284	25,872	25,507	365
Massachusetts	6,672	4,602	2,070	62,360	63,577	-1,217
Michigan	14,655	10,622	4,033	58,294	56,009	2,285
Minnesota	3,705	3,194	511	59,630	57,266	2,364
Mississippi	1,031	1,157	-126	8,627	9,447	-820
Missouri	6,230	2,878	3,352	23,299	21,856	1,443
Montana	340	409	-69	4,169	4,278	-109
Nebraska	569	665	-96	5,268	5,513	-245
Nevada	2,844	2,891	-47	24,686	25,428	-742
New Hampshire	336	369	-33	3,421	3,571	-150
New Jersey	8,343	8,811	-468	115,080	114,200	880
New Mexico	834	846	-12	10,850	10,187	663
New York	13,255	15,545	-2,290	158,655	160,132	-1,477
North Carolina	3,064	3,275	-211	21,316	21,810	-494
North Dakota	243	273	-30	2,260	3,370	-1,110
Ohio	5,340	7,769	-2,429	47,320	46,517	803
Oklahoma	1,114	1,237	-123	10,729	11,256	-527
Oregon	3,837	3,359	478	30,473	28,285	2,188
Pennsylvania	10,322	10,611	-289	107,255	108,283	-1,028
Puerto Rico	1,620	2,175	-555	21,792	22,426	-634
Rhode Island	655	695	-40	11,260	11,192	68
South Carolina	1,993	3,011	-1,018	16,749	17,726	-977
South Dakota	143	155	-12	1,253	1,315	-62
Tennessee	2,736	4,252	-1,516	23,277	24,694	-1,417
Texas	25,453	31,685	-6,232	179,084	154,230	24,854
Utah	936	1,306	-370	10,973	11,183	-210
Vermont	225	238	-13	2,592	2,324	268
Virgin Islands	16	39	-23	352	298	54
Virginia	2,708	2,045	663	18,104	16,721	1,383
Washington	4,304	3,909	395	63,810	60,604	3,206
West Virginia	698	705	-7	8,275	7,596	679
Wisconsin	3,456	3,553	-97	25,776	26,848	-1,072
Wyoming	181	243	-62	1,626	1,511	115
US Total	215,827	225,839	-10,012	1,942,400	1,913,670	28,730

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)

<b>Week Ending</b>	<b>Initial Claims</b>	<b>Change from Prior Week</b>	<b>4-Week Average</b>	<b>Insured Unemployment</b>	<b>Change from Prior Week</b>	<b>4-Week Average</b>	<b>IUR</b>
July 22, 2023	231	0	235.50	1,776	11	1,774.25	1.2
July 29, 2023	240	9	233.50	1,773	-3	1,775.00	1.2
August 5, 2023	258	18	240.00	1,803	30	1,779.25	1.2
August 12, 2023	248	-10	244.25	1,797	-6	1,787.25	1.2
August 19, 2023	241	-7	246.75	1,819	22	1,798.00	1.2
August 26, 2023	234	-7	245.25	1,802	-17	1,805.25	1.2
September 2, 2023	228	-6	237.75	1,810	8	1,807.00	1.2
September 9, 2023	227	-1	232.50	1,793	-17	1,806.00	1.2
September 16, 2023	210	-17	224.75	1,795	2	1,800.00	1.2
September 23, 2023	213	3	219.50	1,789	-6	1,796.75	1.2
September 30, 2023	216	3	216.50	1,800	11	1,794.25	1.2
October 7, 2023	211	-5	212.50	1,808	8	1,798.00	1.2
October 14, 2023	202	-9	210.50	1,810	2	1,801.75	1.2
October 21, 2023	213	11	210.50	1,816	6	1,808.50	1.2
October 28, 2023	216	3	210.50	1,823	7	1,814.25	1.2
November 4, 2023	216	0	211.75	1,807	-16	1,814.00	1.2
November 11, 2023	228	12	218.25	1,795	-12	1,810.25	1.2
November 18, 2023	213	-15	218.25	1,813	18	1,809.50	1.2
November 25, 2023	213	0	217.50	1,818	5	1,808.25	1.2
December 2, 2023	216	3	217.50	1,818	0	1,811.00	1.2
December 9, 2023	205	-11	211.75	1,803	-15	1,813.00	1.2
December 16, 2023	207	2	210.25	1,817	14	1,814.00	1.2
December 23, 2023	213	6	210.25	1,815	-2	1,813.25	1.2
December 30, 2023	198	-15	205.75	1,759	-56	1,798.50	1.2
January 6, 2024	198	0	204.00	1,728	-31	1,779.75	1.2
January 13, 2024	194	-4	200.75	1,761	33	1,765.75	1.2
January 20, 2024	221	27	202.75	1,829	68	1,769.25	1.2
January 27, 2024	225	4	209.50	1,813	-16	1,782.75	1.2
February 3, 2024	213	-12	213.25	1,803	-10	1,801.50	1.2
February 10, 2024	211	-2	217.50	1,787	-16	1,808.00	1.2
February 17, 2024	200	-11	212.25	1,805	18	1,802.00	1.2
February 24, 2024	213	13	209.25	1,794	-11	1,797.25	1.2
March 2, 2024	210	-3	208.50	1,803	9	1,797.25	1.2
March 9, 2024	212	2	208.75	1,795	-8	1,799.25	1.2
March 16, 2024	212	0	211.75	1,810	15	1,800.50	1.2
March 23, 2024	212	0	211.50	1,789	-21	1,799.25	1.2
March 30, 2024	222	10	214.50	1,810	21	1,801.00	1.2
April 6, 2024	212	-10	214.50	1,797	-13	1,801.50	1.2
April 13, 2024	212	0	214.50	1,774	-23	1,792.50	1.2
April 20, 2024	208	-4	213.50	1,768	-6	1,787.25	1.2
April 27, 2024	209	1	210.25	1,781	13	1,780.00	1.2
May 4, 2024	232	23	215.25	1,786	5	1,777.25	1.2
May 11, 2024	223	-9	218.00	1,787	1	1,780.50	1.2
May 18, 2024	216	-7	220.00	1,790	3	1,786.00	1.2
May 25, 2024	221	5	223.00	1,791	1	1,788.50	1.2
June 1, 2024	229	8	222.25	1,813	22	1,795.25	1.2
June 8, 2024	243	14	227.25	1,821	8	1,803.75	1.2
June 15, 2024	239	-4	233.00	1,832	11	1,814.25	1.2
June 22, 2024	234	-5	236.25	1,856	24	1,830.50	1.2
June 29, 2024	239	5	238.75	1,847	-9	1,839.00	1.2
July 6, 2024	223	-16	233.75	1,860	13	1,848.75	1.2
July 13, 2024	245	22	235.25	1,844	-16	1,851.75	1.2
July 20, 2024	235	-10	235.50	1,877	33	1,857.00	1.2
July 27, 2024	249	14	238.00				

STATE NAME	INITIAL CLAIMS FILED DURING WEEK ENDED JULY 20					INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT FOR WEEK ENDED JULY 13						TOTAL INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT
	STATE	CHANGE FROM		UCFE <sup>1</sup>	UCX <sup>1</sup>	STATE	(%) <sup>2</sup>	CHANGE FROM		UCFE <sup>1</sup>	UCX <sup>1</sup>	
		LAST WEEK	YEAR AGO					LAST WEEK	YEAR AGO			
Alabama	2,442	-1,508	-203	6	4	10,876	0.5	-1,539	-244	28	12	10,916
Alaska	477	-46	-37	2	0	3,504	1.1	-95	220	23	4	3,531
Arizona	4,384	-814	78	11	2	32,635	1.0	612	1,620	123	39	32,797
Arkansas	1,618	-185	227	0	1	9,135	0.7	-368	-3,087	8	6	9,149
California	41,832	-5,326	-1,895	70	93	399,243	2.2	-8,517	-2,267	808	1,251	401,302
Colorado	2,319	-602	28	1	4	26,339	0.9	-745	5,342	49	144	26,532
Connecticut	3,132	-742	417	1	0	29,587	1.8	-1,105	-4,878	35	18	29,640
Delaware	453	259	140	1	2	5,689	1.2	-47	649	8	9	5,706
District of Columbia	655	-102	183	8	0	6,593	1.2	5	1,420	121	3	6,717
Florida	7,059	-896	933	9	33	41,119	0.4	-3,604	-4,009	71	96	41,286
Georgia	5,975	-2,079	-1,662	19	15	31,399	0.7	-3,581	-8,219	128	91	31,618
Hawaii	932	-209	-149	3	4	5,957	1.0	-221	-167	29	63	6,049
Idaho	759	-109	15	1	2	5,168	0.6	-460	-369	9	5	5,182
Illinois	8,409	-1,165	848	6	2	100,392	1.7	1,632	8,739	309	126	100,827
Indiana	3,045	-1,277	-36	2	3	23,222	0.7	1,203	2,031	26	24	23,272
Iowa	2,169	-197	473	3	0	10,172	0.7	-782	2,166	13	3	10,188
Kansas	1,013	-2,717	-32	0	0	6,940	0.5	1,354	1,407	20	15	6,975
Kentucky	1,785	-3,301	338	0	1	11,267	0.6	1,925	2,597	23	30	11,320
Louisiana	1,939	-193	-173	1	3	14,452	0.8	37	-1,357	30	8	14,490
Maine	419	-141	26	0	1	4,821	0.8	-132	158	7	4	4,832
Maryland	2,499	-80	394	10	12	25,507	1.0	344	3,873	124	56	25,687
Massachusetts	4,602	-1,900	1,676	7	5	63,577	1.8	-2,981	-5,921	87	49	63,713
Michigan	10,622	-6,941	5,320	4	4	56,009	1.3	9,971	13,448	48	37	56,094
Minnesota	3,194	-2,342	-38	1	4	57,266	2.0	-6,589	10,527	56	36	57,358
Mississippi	1,157	-497	126	1	3	9,447	0.8	-132	531	16	6	9,469
Missouri	2,878	-3,610	308	0	1	21,856	0.8	-6	2,364	49	25	21,930
Montana	409	-38	38	0	0	4,278	0.9	-383	395	32	6	4,316
Nebraska	665	-108	57	1	0	5,513	0.6	-68	831	22	10	5,545
Nevada	2,891	-192	695	2	4	25,428	1.7	-335	4,850	43	57	25,528
New Hampshire	369	-88	-25	0	0	3,571	0.5	-395	398	0	1	3,572
New Jersey	8,811	-1,863	961	18	15	114,200	2.7	-1,999	10,536	182	155	114,537
New Mexico	846	-162	29	0	1	10,187	1.2	-180	223	65	33	10,285
New York	15,545	-8,091	510	14	11	160,132	1.7	-3,218	-8,980	299	185	160,616
North Carolina	3,275	-358	-64	2	0	21,810	0.5	-300	353	52	124	21,986
North Dakota	273	-208	95	14	1	3,370	0.8	34	1,778	151	4	3,525
Ohio	7,769	-1,348	-13,689	3	7	46,517	0.9	1,700	5,104	46	68	46,631
Oklahoma	1,237	-199	-192	5	6	11,256	0.7	-20	831	35	40	11,331
Oregon	3,359	-1,374	-1,187	0	0	28,285	1.4	-667	-6,468	103	30	28,418
Pennsylvania	10,611	-2,889	-261	11	7	108,283	1.8	-3,116	7,351	223	117	108,623
Puerto Rico	2,175	-356	223	3	4	22,426	2.4	513	-1,489	146	49	22,621
Rhode Island	695	-721	10	2	1	11,192	2.6	-491	1,045	43	21	11,256
South Carolina	3,011	-1,901	706	2	8	17,726	0.8	-1,714	2,309	38	38	17,802
South Dakota	155	-65	18	12	0	1,315	0.3	-63	392	126	1	1,442
Tennessee	4,252	769	1,857	2	9	24,694	0.8	203	7,325	40	58	24,792
Texas	31,685	5,962	16,187	115	71	154,230	1.1	-1,635	7,880	443	882	155,555
Utah	1,306	-251	-254	8	9	11,183	0.7	-93	1,375	48	20	11,251
Vermont	238	-67	-358	0	0	2,324	0.8	-186	-343	1	0	2,325
Virgin Islands	39	7	-18	0	0	298	0.8	-12	74	0	0	298
Virginia	2,045	-388	-248	2	4	16,721	0.4	-165	3,007	81	83	16,885
Washington	3,909	-2,007	-200	2	17	60,604	1.7	-2,804	8,620	128	364	61,096
West Virginia	705	-273	-256	0	1	7,596	1.1	-555	428	23	23	7,642
Wisconsin	3,553	-1,746	398	2	0	26,848	0.9	-2,358	3,523	33	22	26,903
Wyoming	243	-41	5	0	0	1,511	0.6	27	134	8	5	1,524
Totals	225,839	-54,716	12,342	387	375	1,913,670	1.3	-32,101	78,056	4,659	4,556	1,922,885

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 JULY 20, 2024**

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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>
TX	+5,962	Layoffs in finance and insurance industry.

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

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<b>State</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>State Supplied Comment</b>
NY	-8,091	Fewer layoffs in transportation and warehousing, construction, and in health care and social assistance industries.
MI	-6,941	No comment.
CA	-5,326	No comment.
MO	-3,610	No comment.
KY	-3,301	No comment.
PA	-2,889	Fewer layoffs in administrative and support and waste management and remediation services, in accommodation and food services, and in professional, scientific and technical services industries.
KS	-2,717	No comment.
MN	-2,342	Fewer layoffs in educational services and construction industries.
GA	-2,079	Fewer layoffs in manufacturing industry.
WA	-2,007	No comment.
SC	-1,901	No comment.
MA	-1,900	No comment.
NJ	-1,863	No comment.
WI	-1,746	Fewer layoffs in manufacturing industry.
AL	-1,508	Fewer layoffs in manufacturing industry.
OR	-1,374	No comment.
OH	-1,348	Fewer layoffs in manufacturing industry.
IN	-1,277	No comment.
IL	-1,165	No comment.



## TECHNICAL NOTES

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

### A. Initial Claims

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

### B. Continued Weeks Claimed

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

### C. Seasonal Adjustments and Annual Revisions

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

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