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COVID-19 Impact

The COVID-19 virus continues to impact the number of initial claims and insured unemployment. This report includes information on claimants filing Pandemic Unemployment Assistance and Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation claims.

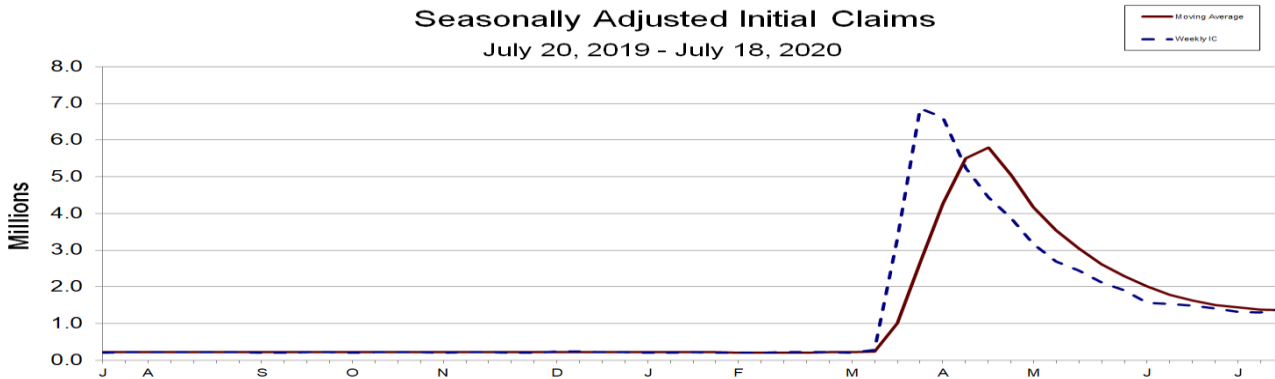
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

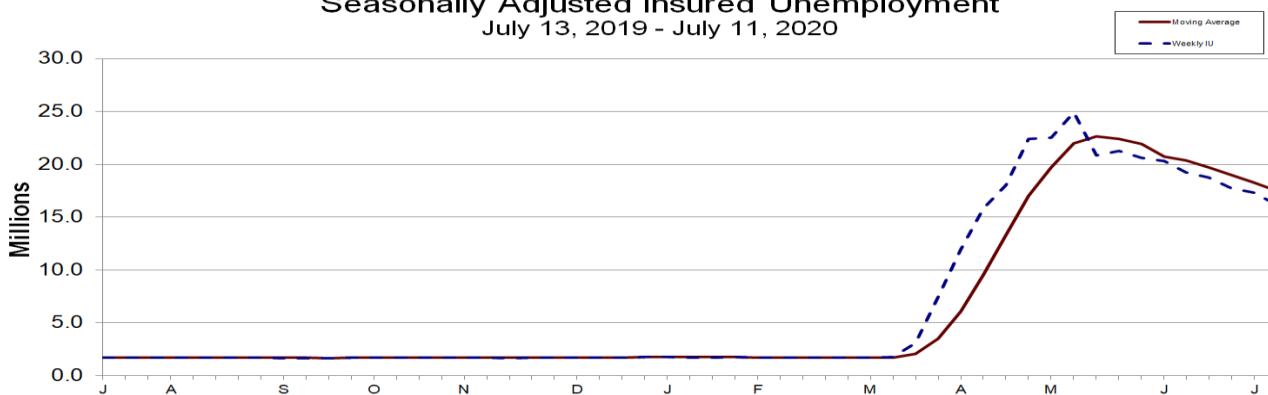
In the week ending July 18, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 1,416,000, an increase of 109,000 from the previous week's revised level. The previous week's level was revised up by 7,000 from 1,300,000 to 1,307,000. The 4-week moving average was 1,360,250, a decrease of 16,500 from the previous week's revised average. The previous week's average was revised up by 1,750 from 1,375,000 to 1,376,750.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 11.1 percent for the week ending July 11, a decrease of 0.7 percentage point from the previous week's revised rate. The previous week's rate was revised down by 0.1 from 11.9 to 11.8 percent. The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending July 11 was 16,197,000, a decrease of 1,107,000 from the previous week's revised level. The previous week's level was revised down by 34,000 from 17,338,000 to 17,304,000. The 4-week moving average was 17,505,250, a decrease of 758,500 from the previous week's revised average. The previous week's average was revised down by 8,500 from 18,272,250 to 18,263,750.

Seasonally Adjusted Initial Claims
July 20, 2019 - July 18, 2020



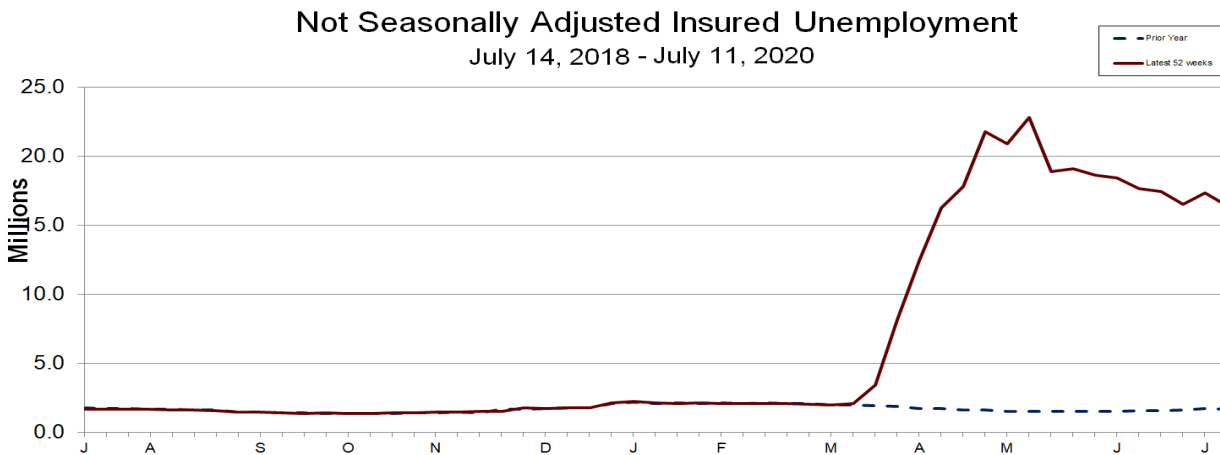
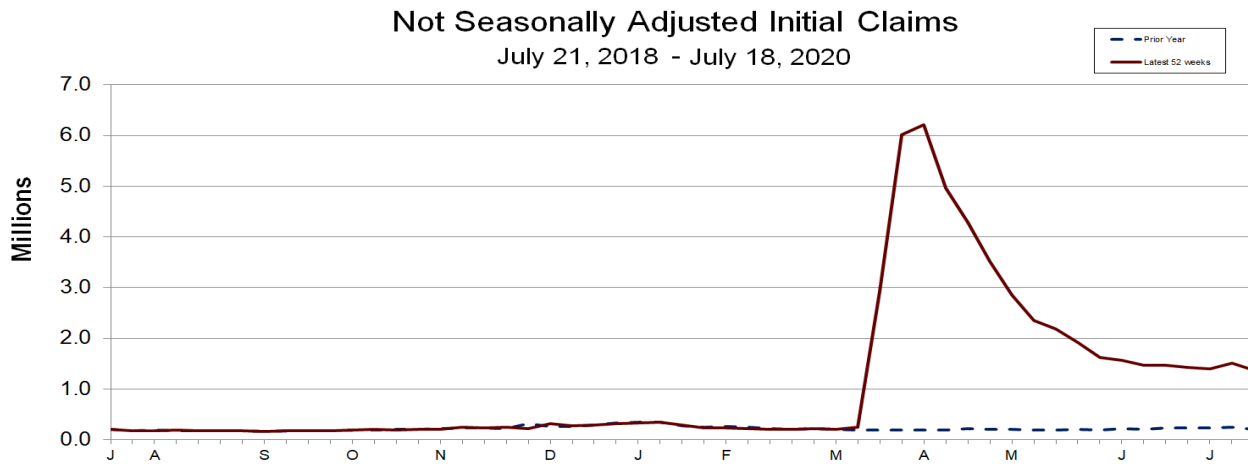
Seasonally Adjusted Insured Unemployment
July 13, 2019 - July 11, 2020



UNADJUSTED DATA

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 1,370,947 in the week ending July 18, a decrease of 141,816 (or -9.4 percent) from the previous week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 247,115 (or -16.3 percent) from the previous week. There were 196,382 initial claims in the comparable week in 2019. In addition, for the week ending July 18, 49 states reported 974,999 initial claims for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 11.2 percent during the week ending July 11, a decrease of 0.7 percentage point from the prior week. The advance unadjusted number for persons claiming UI benefits in state programs totaled 16,390,919, a decrease of 930,294 (or -5.4 percent) from the preceding week. The seasonal factors had expected an increase of 190,343 (or 1.1 percent) from the previous week. A year earlier the rate was 1.2 percent and the volume was 1,697,505.



The total number of people claiming benefits in all programs for the week ending July 4 was 31,802,715, a decrease of 200,615 from the previous week. There were 1,725,953 persons claiming benefits in all programs in the comparable week in 2019.

During the week ending July 4, Extended Benefits were available in the following 52 states: Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virgin Islands, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.

Initial claims for UI benefits filed by former Federal civilian employees totaled 1,732 in the week ending July 11, an increase of 409 from the prior week. There were 1,245 initial claims filed by newly discharged veterans, an increase of 168 from the preceding week.

There were 15,098 former Federal civilian employees claiming UI benefits for the week ending July 4, an increase of 952 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 14,052, an increase of 1,260 from the prior week.

During the week ending Jul 4, 48 states reported 13,179,880 individuals claiming Pandemic Unemployment Assistance benefits and 45 states reported 940,113 individuals claiming Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation benefits.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending July 4 were in Puerto Rico (26.0), Nevada (21.3), Hawaii (20.7), Georgia (18.0), California (16.9), Louisiana (16.6), New York (16.1), Connecticut (15.4), the Virgin Islands (15.2), and Massachusetts (15.0).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending July 11 were in Florida (+65,890), Georgia (+33,292), California (+20,123), Washington (+16,116), and Indiana (+6,258), while the largest decreases were in Maryland (-13,728), Texas (-11,583), New Jersey (-8,577), Michigan (-6,882), and Louisiana (-5,066).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

WEEK ENDING	July 18	July 11	Change	July 4	Prior Year¹
Initial Claims (SA)	1,416,000	1,307,000	+109,000	1,310,000	211,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	1,370,947	1,512,763	-141,816	1,395,081	196,382
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	1,360,250	1,376,750	-16,500	1,435,000	215,250

WEEK ENDING	July 11	July 4	Change	June 27	Prior Year¹
Insured Unemployment (SA)	16,197,000	17,304,000	-1,107,000	17,760,000	1,682,000
Insured Unemployment (NSA)	16,390,919	17,321,213	-930,294	16,516,869	1,697,505
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	17,505,250	18,263,750	-758,500	19,010,000	1,698,000
Insured Unemployment Rate (SA) ²	11.1%	11.8%	-0.7	12.2%	1.2%
Insured Unemployment Rate (NSA) ²	11.2%	11.9%	-0.7	11.3%	1.2%

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	July 18	July 11	Change	July 4
Pandemic Unemployment Assistance	974,999	955,272	+19,727	1,046,433

WEEK ENDING	July 11	July 4	Change	Prior Year¹
Federal Employees (UCFE)	1,732	1,323	+409	680
Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX)	1,245	1,077	+168	535

PERSONS CLAIMING UI BENEFITS IN ALL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	July 4	June 27	Change	Prior Year¹
Regular State	17,188,772	16,410,059	+778,713	1,700,328
Federal Employees	15,098	14,146	+952	6,902
Newly Discharged Veterans	14,052	12,792	+1,260	5,420
Pandemic Unemployment Assistance ³	13,179,880	14,282,999	-1,103,119	NA
Pandemic Emergency UC ⁴	940,113	936,431	+3,682	NA
Extended Benefits ⁵	22,904	2,181	+20,723	0
State Additional Benefits ⁶	2,534	2,056	+478	4,994
STC / Workshare ⁷	439,362	342,666	+96,696	8,309
TOTAL ⁸	31,802,715	32,003,330	-200,615	1,725,953

FOOTNOTES

SA - Seasonally Adjusted Data, NSA - Not Seasonally Adjusted Data

1. Prior year is comparable to most recent data.
2. Most recent week used covered employment of 146,125,989 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 July 18			Insured Unemployment For Week Ended July 11		
	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Advance	Prior Wk	Change
Alabama	22,967	20,563	2,404	98,044	117,388	-19,344
Alaska	6,912	9,572	-2,660	41,208	43,225	-2,017
Arizona	22,380	28,695	-6,315	222,990	227,419	-4,429
Arkansas	15,384	14,155	1,229	96,617	99,083	-2,466
California	292,673	284,914	7,759	2,729,281	2,946,807	-217,526
Colorado	8,307	10,554	-2,247	239,966	228,224	11,742
Connecticut	11,559	9,955	1,604	252,524	254,461	-1,937
Delaware	2,593	3,167	-574	46,117	42,194	3,923
District of Columbia	3,013	3,300	-287	71,360	72,525	-1,165
Florida	105,410	132,831	-27,421	691,886	914,801	-222,915
Georgia	120,281	138,452	-18,171	695,827	792,717	-96,890
Hawaii	7,733	7,668	65	131,676	128,502	3,174
Idaho	5,424	5,458	-34	26,311	28,766	-2,455
Illinois	35,938	38,261	-2,323	655,116	664,763	-9,647
Indiana	17,938	28,360	-10,422	189,816	190,169	-353
Iowa	9,505	10,653	-1,148	116,810	134,284	-17,474
Kansas	11,197	13,368	-2,171	97,971	81,561	16,410
Kentucky	24,240	24,544	-304	145,786	158,659	-12,873
Louisiana	31,155	26,351	4,804	303,540	312,893	-9,353
Maine	2,183	4,696	-2,513	58,900	60,623	-1,723
Maryland	16,389	19,463	-3,074	224,235	233,850	-9,615
Massachusetts	18,313	24,131	-5,818	513,234	537,302	-24,068
Michigan*	21,836	27,720	-5,884	506,099	604,846	-98,747
Minnesota	18,332	21,637	-3,305	333,663	332,040	1,623
Mississippi	11,718	12,223	-505	153,539	100,191	53,348
Missouri	11,588	16,883	-5,295	174,325	197,311	-22,986
Montana	2,564	2,990	-426	35,371	39,084	-3,713
Nebraska	3,989	7,911	-3,922	51,242	56,954	-5,712
Nevada	18,775	14,666	4,109	303,657	295,994	7,663
New Hampshire	3,305	2,930	375	71,005	72,523	-1,518
New Jersey	25,606	38,825	-13,219	474,427	491,296	-16,869
New Mexico	8,135	6,381	1,754	97,980	92,108	5,872
New York	88,260	91,546	-3,286	1,541,735	1,520,832	20,903
North Carolina	28,323	28,108	215	319,057	365,770	-46,713
North Dakota	2,084	1,532	552	30,156	27,625	2,531
Ohio	29,764	35,755	-5,991	403,051	434,257	-31,206
Oklahoma	8,579	9,680	-1,101	118,589	131,932	-13,343
Oregon	9,688	11,713	-2,025	217,747	206,756	10,991
Pennsylvania	37,238	44,798	-7,560	674,152	815,282	-141,130
Puerto Rico	6,890	7,945	-1,055	209,780	223,340	-13,560
Rhode Island	3,314	3,133	181	64,054	65,377	-1,323
South Carolina	14,346	19,272	-4,926	197,799	201,097	-3,298
South Dakota	698	1,216	-518	16,594	18,722	-2,128
Tennessee	25,794	22,060	3,734	253,668	268,220	-14,552
Texas	86,821	105,516	-18,695	1,268,945	1,313,086	-44,141
Utah	4,514	4,792	-278	68,048	69,999	-1,951
Vermont	1,560	1,830	-270	39,864	38,335	1,529
Virgin Islands	39	70	-31	5,334	5,574	-240
Virginia	40,188	32,292	7,896	358,065	372,070	-14,005
Washington	34,639	45,622	-10,983	448,620	387,558	61,062
West Virginia	3,544	4,070	-526	71,364	64,342	7,022
Wisconsin	25,132	29,051	-3,919	219,369	224,765	-5,396
Wyoming	2,190	1,485	705	14,405	13,711	694
US Total	1,370,947	1,512,763	-141,816	16,390,919	17,321,213	-930,294

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	
July 13, 2019	217	6	218.50	1,682	-12	1,698.00	1.2
July 20, 2019	211	-6	215.25	1,699	17	1,698.00	1.2
July 27, 2019	216	5	213.75	1,692	-7	1,691.75	1.2
August 3, 2019	214	-2	214.50	1,719	27	1,698.00	1.2
August 10, 2019	218	4	214.75	1,687	-32	1,699.25	1.2
August 17, 2019	215	-3	215.75	1,699	12	1,699.25	1.2
August 24, 2019	215	0	215.50	1,683	-16	1,697.00	1.2
August 31, 2019	219	4	216.75	1,683	0	1,688.00	1.2
September 7, 2019	208	-11	214.25	1,675	-8	1,685.00	1.2
September 14, 2019	211	3	213.25	1,672	-3	1,678.25	1.2
September 21, 2019	215	4	213.25	1,667	-5	1,674.25	1.2
September 28, 2019	218	3	213.00	1,698	31	1,678.00	1.2
October 5, 2019	212	-6	214.00	1,689	-9	1,681.50	1.2
October 12, 2019	218	6	215.75	1,691	2	1,686.25	1.2
October 19, 2019	213	-5	215.25	1,700	9	1,694.50	1.2
October 26, 2019	217	4	215.00	1,695	-5	1,693.75	1.2
November 2, 2019	212	-5	215.00	1,702	7	1,697.00	1.2
November 9, 2019	222	10	216.00	1,697	-5	1,698.50	1.2
November 16, 2019	223	1	218.50	1,665	-32	1,689.75	1.2
November 23, 2019	211	-12	217.00	1,697	32	1,690.25	1.2
November 30, 2019	206	-5	215.50	1,700	3	1,689.75	1.2
December 7, 2019	237	31	219.25	1,725	25	1,696.75	1.2
December 14, 2019	229	-8	220.75	1,716	-9	1,709.50	1.2
December 21, 2019	218	-11	222.50	1,728	12	1,717.25	1.2
December 28, 2019	220	2	226.00	1,775	47	1,736.00	1.2
January 4, 2020	212	-8	219.75	1,759	-16	1,744.50	1.2
January 11, 2020	207	-5	214.25	1,735	-24	1,749.25	1.2
January 18, 2020	220	13	214.75	1,704	-31	1,743.25	1.2
January 25, 2020	212	-8	212.75	1,753	49	1,737.75	1.2
February 1, 2020	201	-11	210.00	1,678	-75	1,717.50	1.2
February 8, 2020	204	3	209.25	1,729	51	1,716.00	1.2
February 15, 2020	215	11	208.00	1,693	-36	1,713.25	1.2
February 22, 2020	220	5	210.00	1,720	27	1,705.00	1.2
February 29, 2020	217	-3	214.00	1,699	-21	1,710.25	1.2
March 7, 2020	211	-6	215.75	1,702	3	1,703.50	1.2
March 14, 2020	282	71	232.50	1,784	82	1,726.25	1.2
March 21, 2020	3,307	3,025	1,004.25	3,059	1,275	2,061.00	2.1
March 28, 2020	6,867	3,560	2,666.75	7,446	4,387	3,497.75	5.1
April 4, 2020	6,615	-252	4,267.75	11,914	4,468	6,050.75	8.2
April 11, 2020	5,237	-1,378	5,506.50	15,819	3,905	9,559.50	10.9
April 18, 2020	4,442	-795	5,790.25	18,011	2,192	13,297.50	12.4
April 25, 2020	3,867	-575	5,040.25	22,377	4,366	17,030.25	15.4
May 2, 2020	3,176	-691	4,180.50	22,548	171	19,688.75	15.5
May 9, 2020	2,687	-489	3,543.00	24,912	2,364	21,962.00	17.1
May 16, 2020	2,446	-241	3,044.00	20,841	-4,071	22,669.50	14.3
May 23, 2020	2,123	-323	2,608.00	21,268	427	22,392.25	14.6
May 30, 2020	1,897	-226	2,288.25	20,606	-662	21,906.75	14.1
June 6, 2020	1,566	-331	2,008.00	20,289	-317	20,751.00	13.9
June 13, 2020	1,540	-26	1,781.50	19,231	-1,058	20,348.50	13.2
June 20, 2020	1,482	-58	1,621.25	18,760	-471	19,721.50	12.9
June 27, 2020	1,408	-74	1,499.00	17,760	-1,000	19,010.00	12.2
July 4, 2020	1,310	-98	1,435.00	17,304	-456	18,263.75	11.8
July 11, 2020	1,307	-3	1,376.75	16,197	-1,107	17,505.25	11.1
July 18, 2020	1,416	109	1,360.25				

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

STATE	PUA Initial Claims Filed During Week Ended July 18			PUA Continued Claims For Week Ended Jul 4		
	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Jul 4	Jun 27	Change
Alabama	2,644	6,387	-3,743	44,321	45,963	-1,642
Alaska	557	873	-316	16,633	19,007	-2,374
Arizona	0	0	0	0	2,270,171	-2,270,171
Arkansas	11,165	11,231	-66	88,579	100,545	-11,966
California	163,525	126,780	36,745	2,253,420	1,572,438	680,982
Colorado	9,233	5,402	3,831	93,079	94,637	-1,558
Connecticut	2,419	2,882	-463	63,854	49,218	14,636
Delaware	279	442	-163	10,343	10,600	-257
District of Columbia	525	755	-230	13,316	13,103	213
Florida	23,694	10,519	13,175	0	0	0
Georgia	37,138	31,812	5,326	166,810	67,249	99,561
Hawaii	3,423	3,952	-529	86,594	92,086	-5,492
Idaho	308	892	-584	2,727	2,774	-47
Illinois	74,414	57,157	17,257	142,913	112,891	30,022
Indiana	7,565	41,088	-33,523	267,770	105,809	161,961
Iowa	1,710	1,522	188	13,658	15,484	-1,826
Kansas	4,156	4,528	-372	136,546	118,650	17,896
Kentucky	2,956	2,586	370	56,969	36,848	20,121
Louisiana	10,283	9,506	777	148,322	154,047	-5,725
Maine	1,649	3,357	-1,708	23,852	24,687	-835
Maryland	15,670	17,594	-1,924	503,235	712,097	-208,862
Massachusetts	12,402	12,832	-430	437,247	428,570	8,677
Michigan	23,609	26,558	-2,949	996,849	886,607	110,242
Minnesota	664	649	15	65,187	63,882	1,305
Mississippi	8,874	0	8,874	51,332	56,913	-5,581
Missouri	11,888	5,263	6,625	98,059	91,964	6,095
Montana	2,298	2,315	-17	44,136	46,429	-2,293
Nebraska	1,556	1,628	-72	27,589	29,158	-1,569
Nevada	19,557	26,999	-7,442	135,727	157,196	-21,469
New Hampshire	32,095	15,729	16,366	23,481	0	23,481
New Jersey	9,711	19,530	-9,819	396,381	387,853	8,528
New Mexico	3,438	2,864	574	62,449	57,619	4,830
New York	58,826	51,576	7,250	1,060,127	1,104,345	-44,218
North Carolina	19,821	20,563	-742	197,123	192,944	4,179
North Dakota	13	1,231	-1,218	8,112	7,153	959
Ohio	72,584	92,636	-20,052	412,034	438,320	-26,286
Oklahoma	0	1,966	-1,966	0	0	0
Oregon	10,609	5,648	4,961	28,450	20,354	8,096
Pennsylvania	195,224	209,036	-13,812	3,421,264	3,073,064	348,200
Puerto Rico	23,412	26,176	-2,764	529,714	617,061	-87,347
Rhode Island	8,177	6,334	1,843	49,085	47,016	2,069
South Carolina	10,414	11,570	-1,156	66,515	70,734	-4,219
South Dakota	121	138	-17	4,123	3,506	617
Tennessee	10,407	12,078	-1,671	142,896	139,324	3,572
Texas	33,555	33,556	-1	184,253	184,229	24
Utah	1,486	1,487	-1	10,776	10,481	295
Vermont	619	522	97	9,296	9,485	-189
Virgin Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Virginia	20,000	14,560	5,440	381,215	351,287	29,928
Washington	6,860	9,422	-2,562	145,759	164,538	-18,779
West Virginia	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wisconsin	3,128	2,875	253	54,379	22,283	32,096
Wyoming	338	266	72	3,381	2,380	1,001
US Total	974,999	955,272	19,727	13,179,880	14,282,999	-1,103,119

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 Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

STATE	PEUC Claims Filed During Weeks Ended:				
	July 4	June 27	Change	June 20	June 13
Alabama	43,666	31,334	12,332	24,279	19,452
Alaska	2,945	3,478	-533	20	0
Arizona	11,296	9,583	1,713	0	6,924
Arkansas	5,712	7,483	-1,771	7,251	7,067
California	228,541	228,594	-53	251,012	208,089
Colorado	0	0	0	0	0
Connecticut	10,882	15,499	-4,617	15,101	16,067
Delaware	1,780	2,046	-266	1,981	1,919
District of Columbia	1,881	1,919	-38	1,770	1,659
Florida	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	0	0	0	0	0
Hawaii	0	0	0	0	0
Idaho	5,004	4,787	217	4,409	3,967
Illinois	35,951	36,561	-610	39,265	32,604
Indiana	7,671	10,893	-3,222	11,280	12,192
Iowa	9,356	9,572	-216	9,070	9,384
Kansas	2,030	1,905	125	0	1,402
Kentucky	0	0	0	0	0
Louisiana	3,453	3,609	-156	3,432	3,367
Maine	1,979	1,603	376	125	127
Maryland	11,347	11,781	-434	11,699	10,579
Massachusetts	36,640	35,765	875	34,024	31,078
Michigan	25,180	39,067	-13,887	22,033	37,471
Minnesota	21,396	21,558	-162	19,817	18,436
Mississippi	4,571	4,123	448	4,093	4,591
Missouri	11,346	19,842	-8,496	14,814	13,198
Montana	2,685	2,345	340	2,187	1,991
Nebraska	1,830	1,644	186	1,590	1,605
Nevada	10,457	9,405	1,052	8,561	7,817
New Hampshire	0	0	0	0	0
New Jersey	60,125	68,872	-8,747	73,018	72,750
New Mexico	4,506	4,400	106	4,027	3,797
New York	78,651	75,980	2,671	73,072	71,696
North Carolina	144,716	115,952	28,764	78,038	35,360
North Dakota	3,168	2,572	596	2,122	1,868
Ohio	17,331	17,113	218	16,702	15,653
Oklahoma	648	564	84	694	0
Oregon	10,954	9,486	1,468	0	0
Pennsylvania	38,418	61,587	-23,169	39,955	67,549
Puerto Rico	7,722	8,151	-429	9,143	8,690
Rhode Island	3,144	3,377	-233	3,085	2,946
South Carolina	15,399	13,181	2,218	15,363	9,988
South Dakota	327	294	33	344	670
Tennessee	5,088	4,843	245	4,797	4,782
Texas	7,304	7,242	62	7,166	7,053
Utah	4,680	4,031	649	3,557	2,898
Vermont	1,319	1,173	146	1,165	1,143
Virgin Islands	0	0	0	0	0
Virginia	17,445	0	17,445	0	0
Washington	7,058	8,114	-1,056	6,812	7,070
West Virginia	4,641	4,641	0	4,487	4,256
Wisconsin	9,870	10,462	-592	19,101	0
Wyoming	0	0	0	0	0
US Total	940,113	936,431	3,682	850,461	769,155

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

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED DURING WEEK ENDED
JULY 11

INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT FOR WEEK ENDED
JULY 4

STATE NAME	CHANGE FROM					CHANGE FROM					ALL PROGRAMS EXCLUDING RAILROAD RETIREMENT	
	STATE	LAST WEEK	YEAR AGO	UCFE ¹	UCX ¹	STATE (%) ²	LAST WEEK	YEAR AGO	UCFE ¹	UCX ¹		
Alabama	20,563	1,507	16,270	47	18	117,388	6.1	-20,884	96,948	131	96	117,615
Alaska	9,572	3,448	8,876	25	3	43,225	14.0	1,115	37,963	157	68	43,450
Arizona	28,695	2,921	22,972	38	10	227,419	7.8	10,816	200,019	360	237	228,016
Arkansas	14,155	3,323	12,398	2	0	99,083	8.3	-5,609	85,227	129	93	99,305
California	284,914	20,123	245,853	270	245	2,946,807	16.9	188,333	2,645,363	1,614	1,914	2,950,335
Colorado	10,554	2,626	8,745	16	39	228,224	8.5	-17,884	211,250	196	371	228,791
Connecticut	9,955	-2,312	6,700	24	3	254,461	15.4	2,535	217,541	173	123	254,757
Delaware	3,167	376	2,502	2	6	42,194	9.4	-3,404	36,981	11	30	42,235
District of Columbia	3,300	442	2,730	63	0	72,525	12.5	-277	65,339	835	14	73,374
Florida	132,831	65,890	125,121	59	84	914,801	10.5	332,849	874,187	427	357	915,585
Georgia	138,452	33,292	129,387	90	64	792,717	18.0	172,770	761,899	884	838	794,439
Hawaii	7,668	20	6,348	9	19	128,502	20.7	5,031	121,180	275	185	128,962
Idaho	5,458	534	4,686	5	2	28,766	3.9	-324	23,557	20	29	28,815
Illinois	38,261	-754	31,012	8	5	664,763	11.2	-2,697	579,094	480	255	665,498
Indiana	28,360	6,258	24,833	33	24	190,169	6.2	6,201	176,577	101	133	190,403
Iowa	10,653	696	8,018	7	3	134,284	8.8	69	118,090	163	56	134,503
Kansas	13,368	1,910	10,711	3	1	81,561	6.0	-1,133	73,245	81	76	81,718
Kentucky	24,544	1,262	19,102	1	2	158,659	8.4	7,911	140,798	169	170	158,998
Louisiana	26,351	-5,066	23,941	38	26	312,893	16.6	-264	295,485	130	79	313,102
Maine	4,696	1,757	3,988	1	2	60,623	10.0	-3,012	56,322	33	23	60,679
Maryland	19,463	-13,728	16,361	53	29	233,850	9.2	-12,587	204,369	305	249	234,404
Massachusetts	24,131	-2,920	19,226	39	33	537,302	15.0	-20,403	478,269	315	212	537,829
Michigan	27,720	-6,882	19,662	18	9	604,846	14.0	75,699	562,082	177	259	605,282
Minnesota	21,637	2,275	17,542	12	5	332,040	11.6	5,795	301,897	189	169	332,398
Mississippi	12,223	957	10,507	2	2	100,191	9.0	-37,139	87,907	186	79	100,456
Missouri	16,883	-802	12,361	23	1	197,311	7.2	-7,809	172,988	141	132	197,584
Montana	2,990	202	2,288	9	5	39,084	8.5	52	33,765	88	40	39,212
Nebraska	7,911	2,108	7,365	6	0	56,954	5.9	-1,245	52,376	13	49	57,016
Nevada	14,666	2,182	12,183	3	1	295,994	21.3	8,026	277,180	123	171	296,288
New Hampshire	2,930	-2,846	2,440	7	4	72,523	11.0	-1,953	68,832	22	22	72,567
New Jersey	38,825	-8,577	29,915	76	52	491,296	12.2	-482	392,513	346	583	492,225
New Mexico	6,381	715	5,558	5	1	92,108	11.4	-4,282	83,269	180	76	92,364
New York	91,546	-2,194	66,130	19	36	1,520,832	16.1	-77,835	1,378,781	501	637	1,521,970
North Carolina	28,108	171	24,711	77	71	365,770	8.3	-46,583	345,188	463	680	366,913
North Dakota	1,532	-188	1,197	14	0	27,625	6.7	604	25,199	198	30	27,853
Ohio	35,755	1,925	28,252	8	34	434,257	8.1	390	386,607	212	386	434,855
Oklahoma	9,680	257	7,680	23	13	131,932	8.4	898	116,699	115	101	132,148
Oregon	11,713	1,370	6,741	25	22	206,756	10.8	3,156	179,118	375	145	207,276
Pennsylvania	44,798	712	29,922	228	71	815,282	14.0	164,122	700,921	1,655	650	817,587
Puerto Rico	7,945	-3,312	5,971	3	2	223,340	26.0	-5,699	203,420	282	99	223,721
Rhode Island	3,133	-303	2,272	0	0	65,377	13.8	-927	55,973	56	36	65,469
South Carolina	19,272	3,257	15,765	56	21	201,097	9.6	13,815	185,040	65	119	201,281
South Dakota	1,216	381	1,012	12	2	18,722	4.5	2,780	17,527	222	23	18,967
Tennessee	22,060	-2,860	19,354	37	26	268,220	8.1	-5,595	246,486	159	156	268,535
Texas	105,516	-11,583	89,372	156	199	1,313,086	10.6	75,155	1,185,007	1,150	2,176	1,316,412
Utah	4,792	-10	3,843	24	8	69,999	4.7	-640	63,287	64	42	70,105
Vermont	1,830	-46	1,446	1	0	38,335	12.6	-754	34,851	5	3	38,343
Virgin Islands	70	32	27	0	0	5,574	15.2	936	5,110	8	4	5,586
Virginia	32,292	467	29,109	9	6	372,070	9.9	-6,537	351,316	553	626	373,249
Washington	45,622	16,116	39,310	28	19	387,558	11.5	6,583	343,428	343	789	388,690
West Virginia	4,070	740	2,809	1	2	64,342	9.7	-1,214	54,961	69	78	64,489
Wisconsin	29,051	1,666	23,576	15	14	224,765	7.9	6,212	194,956	136	80	224,981
Wyoming	1,485	147	1,042	2	1	13,711	5.1	-337	12,081	13	4	13,728
Totals	1,512,763	117,682	1,269,142	1,732	1,245	17,321,213	11.8	804,344	15,618,468	15,098	14,052	17,350,363

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 JULY 11, 2020

STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
FL	+65,890	Increase in initial claims due to COVID-19.
GA	+33,292	Layoffs in the health care and social assistance, manufacturing, administrative and support and waste management and remediation services, and accommodation and food services assistance industries.
CA	+20,123	Layoffs in the service industry.
WA	+16,116	Layoffs in the manufacturing, art, entertainment, and recreation, accommodation and food services, and other services industries.
IN	+6,258	No comment.
AK	+3,448	No comment.
AR	+3,323	No comment.
SC	+3,257	No comment.
AZ	+2,921	No comment.
CO	+2,626	No comment.
MN	+2,275	No comment.
NV	+2,182	No comment.
NE	+2,108	No comment.
OH	+1,925	No comment.
KS	+1,910	No comment.
ME	+1,757	No comment.
WI	+1,666	No comment.
AL	+1,507	No comment.
OR	+1,370	No comment.
KY	+1,262	No comment.

STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
MD	-13,728	No comment.
TX	-11,583	No comment.
NJ	-8,577	No comment.
MI	-6,882	No comment.
LA	-5,066	No comment.
PR	-3,312	No comment.
MA	-2,920	No comment.
TN	-2,860	No comment.
NH	-2,846	No comment.
CT	-2,312	No comment.
NY	-2,194	Fewer layoffs in the health care and social assistance, educational services, and accommodations and food services industries.

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. Continued claims are also referred to as insured unemployment. The count of U.S. continued weeks claimed is also a good indicator of labor market conditions. Continued claims reflect the current number of insured unemployed workers filing for UI benefits in the nation. 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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