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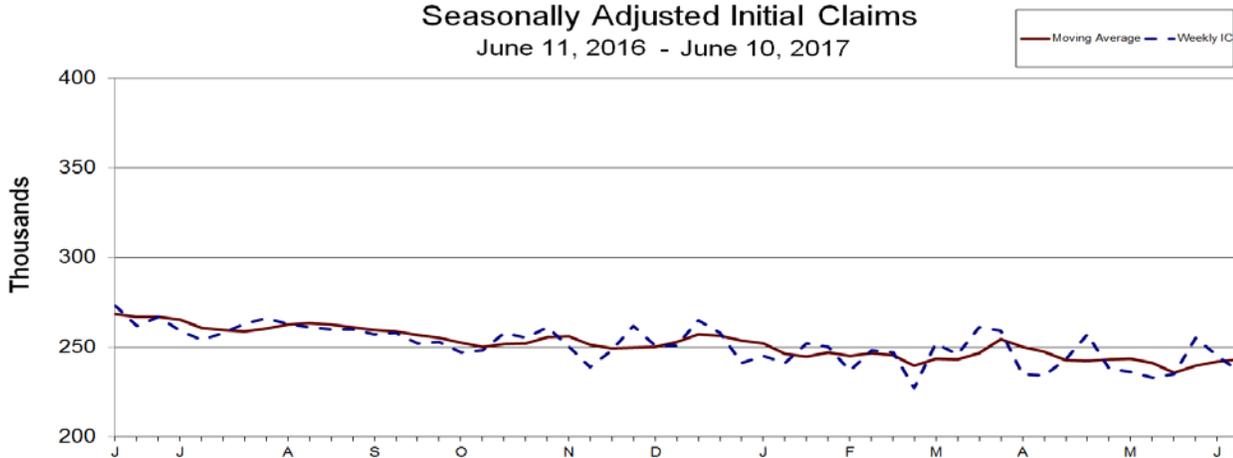
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

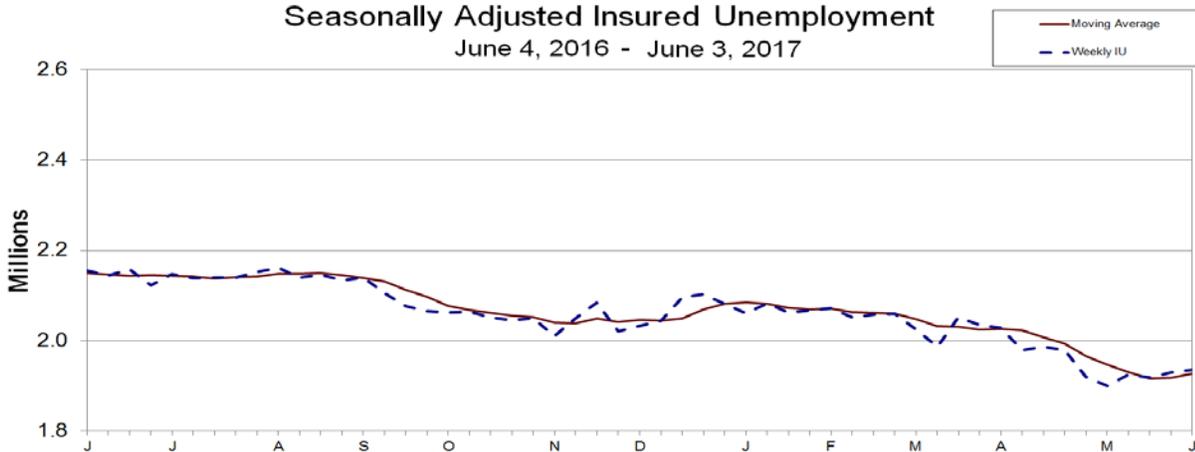
In the week ending June 10, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 237,000, a decrease of 8,000 from the previous week's unrevised level of 245,000. The 4-week moving average was 243,000, an increase of 1,000 from the previous week's unrevised average of 242,000.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 1.4 percent for the week ending June 3, unchanged from the previous week's unrevised rate. The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending June 3 was 1,935,000, an increase of 6,000 from the previous week's revised level. The previous week's level was revised up 12,000 from 1,917,000 to 1,929,000. The 4-week moving average was 1,926,750, an increase of 9,000 from the previous week's revised average. The previous week's average was revised up by 3,000 from 1,914,750 to 1,917,750.

Seasonally Adjusted Initial Claims
June 11, 2016 - June 10, 2017



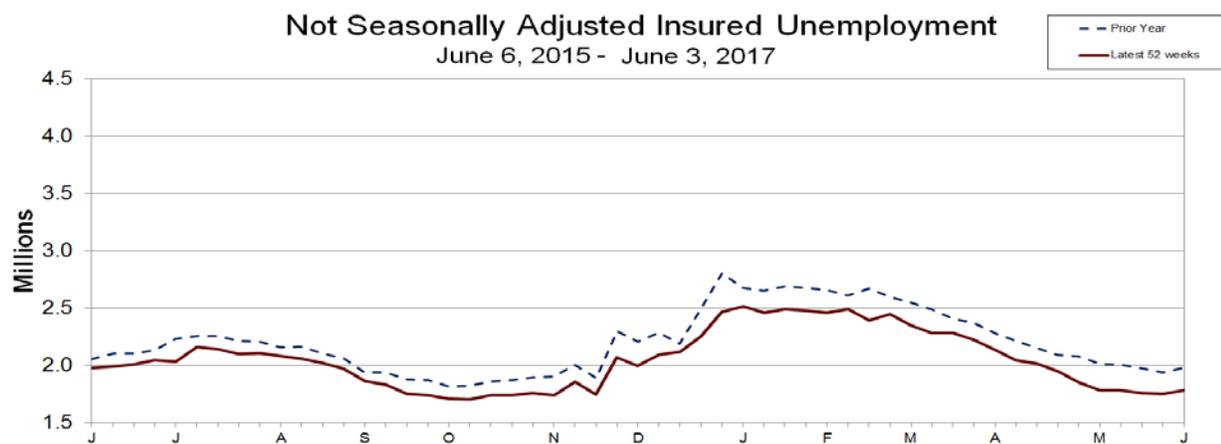
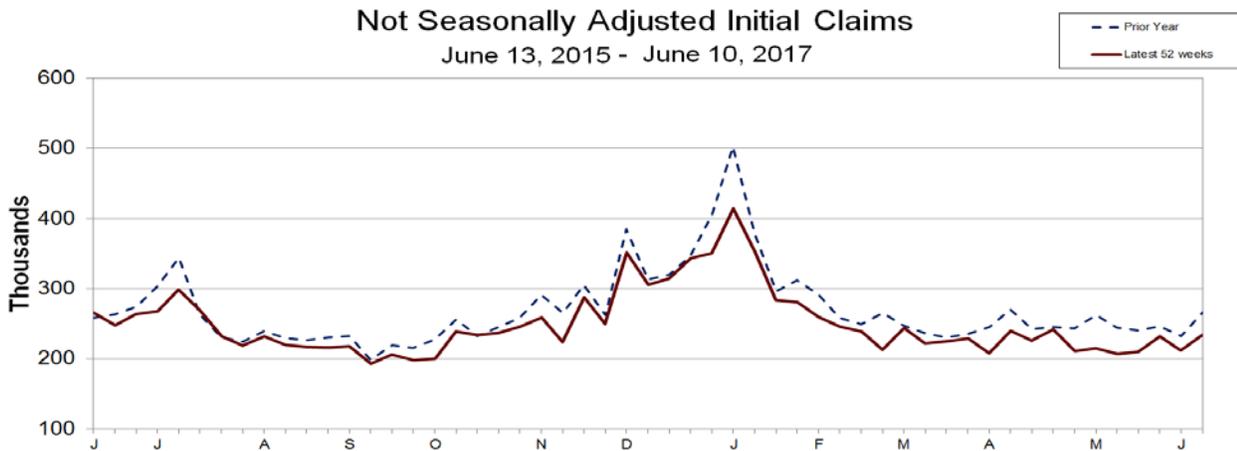
Seasonally Adjusted Insured Unemployment
June 4, 2016 - June 3, 2017



UNADJUSTED DATA

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 233,579 in the week ending June 10, an increase of 21,309 (or 10.0 percent) from the previous week. The seasonal factors had expected an increase of 28,924 (or 13.6 percent) from the previous week. There were 266,277 initial claims in the comparable week in 2016.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 1.3 percent during the week ending June 3, unchanged from the prior week. The advance unadjusted number for persons claiming UI benefits in state programs totaled 1,784,453, an increase of 30,761 (or 1.8 percent) from the preceding week. The seasonal factors had expected an increase of 25,080 (or 1.4 percent) from the previous week. A year earlier the rate was 1.4 percent and the volume was 1,982,999.



The total number of people claiming benefits in all programs for the week ending May 27 was 1,785,860, a decrease of 9,943 from the previous week. There were 1,981,073 persons claiming benefits in all programs in the comparable week in 2016.

No state was triggered "on" the Extended Benefits program during the week ending May 27.

Initial claims for UI benefits filed by former Federal civilian employees totaled 691 in the week ending June 3, a decrease of 12 from the prior week. There were 697 initial claims filed by newly discharged veterans, an increase of 3 from the preceding week.

There were 8,209 former Federal civilian employees claiming UI benefits for the week ending May 27, an increase of 55 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 10,316, a decrease of 92 from the prior week.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending May 27 were in Alaska (2.9), Puerto Rico (2.8), New Jersey (2.2), Connecticut (2.0), California (1.9), Massachusetts (1.8), Pennsylvania (1.8), Illinois (1.7), Nevada (1.6), and Rhode Island (1.6).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending June 3 were in Pennsylvania (+980), Arkansas (+756), Florida (+554), Arizona (+375), and Iowa (+353), while the largest decreases were in California (-8,313), Kansas (-2,350), Missouri (-2,144), Tennessee (-2,101), and New York (-1,176).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

WEEK ENDING	June 10	June 3	Change	May 27	<u>Prior Year¹</u>
Initial Claims (SA)	237,000	245,000	-8,000	255,000	273,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	233,579	212,270	+21,309	231,587	266,277
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	243,000	242,000	+1,000	239,750	268,500
WEEK ENDING	June 3	May 27	Change	May 20	<u>Prior Year¹</u>
Insured Unemployment (SA)	1,935,000	1,929,000	+6,000	1,919,000	2,155,000
Insured Unemployment (NSA)	1,784,453	1,753,692	+30,761	1,763,206	1,982,999
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	1,926,750	1,917,750	+9,000	1,915,500	2,150,500
<u>Insured Unemployment Rate (SA)²</u>	1.4%	1.4%	0.0	1.4%	1.6%
<u>Insured Unemployment Rate (NSA)²</u>	1.3%	1.3%	0.0	1.3%	1.4%

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	June 3	May 27	Change	<u>Prior Year¹</u>
Federal Employees (UCFE)	691	703	-12	871
Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX)	697	694	+3	1,069

PERSONS CLAIMING UI BENEFITS IN ALL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	May 27	May 20	Change	<u>Prior Year¹</u>
Regular State	1,750,899	1,760,297	-9,398	1,938,539
Federal Employees	8,209	8,154	+55	7,134
Newly Discharged Veterans	10,316	10,408	-92	13,123
<u>Extended Benefits³</u>	0	0	0	33
<u>State Additional Benefits⁴</u>	6,920	7,367	-447	6,768
<u>STC / Workshare⁵</u>	9,516	9,577	-61	15,476
<u>TOTAL</u>	1,785,860	1,795,803	-9,943	1,981,073

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 139,505,637 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, extended and emergency 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 4-9 of the following link: [Extensions and Special Programs PDF](#)

Advance State Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

STATE	Initial Claims Filed During Week Ended June 10			Insured Unemployment For Week Ended June 3		
	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Advance	Prior Wk	Change
Alabama	2,911	3,397	-486	18,254	17,593	661
Alaska	1,173	1,137	36	8,411	9,015	-604
Arizona	4,559	4,754	-195	27,161	29,366	-2,205
Arkansas	1,867	2,954	-1,087	13,960	13,044	916
California	41,522	34,520	7,002	343,051	306,664	36,387
Colorado	1,914	2,021	-107	23,830	22,896	934
Connecticut	2,710	2,601	109	35,067	33,515	1,552
Delaware	681	673	8	5,242	5,213	29
District of Columbia	592	295	297	7,719	7,754	-35
Florida	10,342	8,140	2,202	39,334	44,398	-5,064
Georgia	6,997	5,675	1,322	28,870	28,188	682
**Hawaii	1,212	1,394	-182	7,561	7,339	222
Idaho	1,169	1,024	145	5,388	5,718	-330
Illinois	11,449	10,302	1,147	99,372	100,401	-1,029
Indiana	2,466	2,149	317	15,322	17,994	-2,672
Iowa	2,759	2,482	277	17,407	15,809	1,598
Kansas	2,258	1,980	278	13,135	11,909	1,226
Kentucky	3,182	2,387	795	18,394	18,286	108
*Louisiana	2,515	2,965	-450	22,576	22,765	-189
Maine	527	462	65	5,113	5,322	-209
Maryland	3,347	3,279	68	29,370	32,645	-3,275
Massachusetts	5,185	4,685	500	58,978	60,086	-1,108
Michigan	5,498	5,179	319	43,092	50,142	-7,050
Minnesota	3,650	3,048	602	32,243	30,145	2,098
Mississippi	1,654	2,257	-603	11,918	11,742	176
Missouri	3,893	4,667	-774	27,128	27,340	-212
Montana	931	781	150	5,314	5,447	-133
Nebraska	898	1,196	-298	5,009	4,356	653
Nevada	2,464	2,434	30	19,744	20,420	-676
New Hampshire	466	500	-34	3,587	3,851	-264
New Jersey	7,924	7,488	436	86,052	84,207	1,845
New Mexico	1,075	1,531	-456	10,777	10,467	310
New York	15,524	14,557	967	136,903	135,340	1,563
North Carolina	3,369	2,854	515	21,203	22,012	-809
North Dakota	474	514	-40	3,397	2,543	854
Ohio	6,617	7,458	-841	54,096	52,558	1,538
Oklahoma	1,485	1,624	-139	15,341	15,022	319
Oregon	3,876	3,121	755	25,341	25,061	280
Pennsylvania	19,352	14,054	5,298	104,589	103,229	1,360
Puerto Rico	2,824	2,489	335	25,128	25,002	126
Rhode Island	788	723	65	7,663	7,587	76
South Carolina	3,077	2,725	352	13,500	13,297	203
South Dakota	200	204	-4	1,275	1,179	96
Tennessee	3,144	4,376	-1,232	20,938	22,288	-1,350
Texas	16,061	14,020	2,041	140,798	142,868	-2,070
Utah	1,078	1,058	20	7,870	8,011	-141
Vermont	354	329	25	3,643	3,604	39
Virgin Islands	19	19	0	350	488	-138
Virginia	3,537	2,854	683	25,484	24,040	1,444
Washington	5,717	5,178	539	48,423	46,633	1,790
West Virginia	993	1,047	-54	10,663	10,150	513
Wisconsin	4,863	4,399	464	26,623	25,554	1,069
Wyoming	437	310	127	2,846	3,189	-343
US Total	233,579	212,270	21,309	1,784,453	1,753,692	30,761

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 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 staff estimate.

**Denotes OUI staff estimate.

Seasonally Adjusted US Weekly UI Claims (in thousands)

Week Ending	Change from			Insured Unemployment	Change from		IUR
	Initial Claims	Prior Week	4-Week Average		Prior Week	4-Week Average	
June 4, 2016	265	-3	269.50	2,155	35	2,150.50	1.6
June 11, 2016	273	8	268.50	2,144	-11	2,147.00	1.6
June 18, 2016	262	-11	267.00	2,158	14	2,144.25	1.6
June 25, 2016	267	5	266.75	2,123	-35	2,145.00	1.5
July 2, 2016	259	-8	265.25	2,147	24	2,143.00	1.6
July 9, 2016	254	-5	260.50	2,138	-9	2,141.50	1.6
July 16, 2016	258	4	259.50	2,140	2	2,137.00	1.6
July 23, 2016	263	5	258.50	2,139	-1	2,141.00	1.6
July 30, 2016	266	3	260.25	2,152	13	2,142.25	1.6
August 6, 2016	263	-3	262.50	2,161	9	2,148.00	1.6
August 13, 2016	261	-2	263.25	2,139	-22	2,147.75	1.6
August 20, 2016	260	-1	262.50	2,146	7	2,149.50	1.6
August 27, 2016	260	0	261.00	2,133	-13	2,144.75	1.5
September 3, 2016	257	-3	259.50	2,139	6	2,139.25	1.6
September 10, 2016	258	1	258.75	2,105	-34	2,130.75	1.5
September 17, 2016	252	-6	256.75	2,076	-29	2,113.25	1.5
September 24, 2016	253	1	255.00	2,066	-10	2,096.50	1.5
October 1, 2016	247	-6	252.50	2,063	-3	2,077.50	1.5
October 8, 2016	248	1	250.00	2,064	1	2,067.25	1.5
October 15, 2016	258	10	251.50	2,052	-12	2,061.25	1.5
October 22, 2016	255	-3	252.00	2,045	-7	2,056.00	1.5
October 29, 2016	261	6	255.50	2,050	5	2,052.75	1.5
November 5, 2016	250	-11	256.00	2,010	-40	2,039.25	1.5
November 12, 2016	239	-11	251.25	2,050	40	2,038.75	1.5
November 19, 2016	248	9	249.50	2,084	34	2,048.50	1.5
November 26, 2016	262	14	249.75	2,020	-64	2,041.00	1.5
December 3, 2016	251	-11	250.00	2,033	13	2,046.75	1.5
December 10, 2016	251	0	253.00	2,044	11	2,045.25	1.5
December 17, 2016	265	14	257.25	2,097	53	2,048.50	1.5
December 24, 2016	258	-7	256.25	2,102	5	2,069.00	1.5
December 31, 2016	241	-17	253.75	2,081	-21	2,081.00	1.5
January 7, 2017	245	4	252.25	2,061	-20	2,085.25	1.5
January 14, 2017	241	-4	246.25	2,083	22	2,081.75	1.5
January 21, 2017	252	11	244.75	2,063	-20	2,072.00	1.5
January 28, 2017	250	-2	247.00	2,067	4	2,068.50	1.5
February 4, 2017	237	-13	245.00	2,071	4	2,071.00	1.5
February 11, 2017	248	11	246.75	2,052	-19	2,063.25	1.5
February 18, 2017	247	-1	245.50	2,057	5	2,061.75	1.5
February 25, 2017	227	-20	239.75	2,059	2	2,059.75	1.5
March 4, 2017	252	25	243.50	2,025	-34	2,048.25	1.5
March 11, 2017	246	-6	243.00	1,987	-38	2,032.00	1.4
March 18, 2017	261	15	246.50	2,052	65	2,030.75	1.5
March 25, 2017	259	-2	254.50	2,035	-17	2,024.75	1.5
April 1, 2017	235	-24	250.25	2,028	-7	2,025.50	1.5
April 8, 2017	234	-1	247.25	1,978	-50	2,023.25	1.4
April 15, 2017	243	9	242.75	1,987	9	2,007.00	1.4
April 22, 2017	257	14	242.25	1,979	-8	1,993.00	1.4
April 29, 2017	238	-19	243.00	1,920	-59	1,966.00	1.4
May 6, 2017	236	-2	243.50	1,899	-21	1,946.25	1.4
May 13, 2017	233	-3	241.00	1,924	25	1,930.50	1.4
May 20, 2017	235	2	235.50	1,919	-5	1,915.50	1.4
May 27, 2017	255	20	239.75	1,929	10	1,917.75	1.4
June 3, 2017	245	-10	242.00	1,935	6	1,926.75	1.4
June 10, 2017	237	-8	243.00				

Initial Claims Filed During Week Ended June

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Insured Unemployment For Week Ended May 27

INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT

STATE	INITIAL CLAIMS 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	3397	270	-41	14	15	17593	0.9	656	-4136	63	106	17762
Alaska	1137	-188	-36	3	0	9015	2.9	318	-2003	72	30	9117
Arizona	4754	375	-108	31	1	29366	1.1	-91	-4014	149	84	29599
Arkansas	2954	756	930	0	3	13044	1.1	263	-4455	56	60	13160
California	34520	-8313	-815	117	133	306664	1.9	-37922	-8766	1445	1989	310098
Colorado	2021	-86	-387	3	23	22896	0.9	-353	-5380	82	400	23378
Connecticut	2601	-395	-291	3	12	33515	2.0	-280	-1947	79	74	33668
Delaware	673	153	-17	0	2	5213	1.2	400	-35	14	13	5240
District of Columbia	295	-22	-6	11	3	7754	1.4	-291	486	872	9	8635
Florida	8140	554	-119	12	40	44398	0.5	2180	-3110	168	239	44805
Georgia	5675	311	-975	25	32	28188	0.7	328	-3657	195	285	28668
Hawaii	1394	294	22	3	10	7339	1.2	-204	443	67	91	7497
Idaho	1024	112	-103	1	2	5718	0.9	-123	-903	30	23	5771
Illinois	10302	244	-968	1	12	100401	1.7	1809	-7973	314	285	101000
Indiana	2149	-664	-953	2	3	17994	0.6	-1120	-4477	54	44	18092
Iowa	2482	353	89	7	5	15809	1.0	-6	-1462	36	53	15898
Kansas	1980	-2350	-320	6	2	11909	0.9	2142	-1820	29	54	11992
Kentucky	2387	-530	-898	6	3	18286	1.0	595	-3017	124	221	18631
Louisiana	2965	58	-625	5	9	22765	1.2	202	-831	50	63	22878
Maine	462	-91	-77	0	0	5322	0.9	-407	-525	19	25	5366
Maryland	3279	-729	-51	12	12	32645	1.3	667	-2273	371	189	33205
Massachusetts	4685	-749	-232	15	21	60086	1.8	493	-3401	156	168	60410
Michigan	5179	-389	-137	9	11	50142	1.2	4291	-2444	85	141	50368
Minnesota	3048	-774	-471	3	2	30145	1.1	-2133	-3217	44	88	30277
Mississippi	2257	-652	-101	1	4	11742	1.1	1614	-2693	78	41	11861
Missouri	4667	-2144	-285	1	3	27340	1.0	3475	1874	103	60	27503
Montana	781	-8	-123	7	5	5447	1.2	-362	-1481	56	42	5545
Nebraska	1196	158	290	0	1	4356	0.5	145	-502	19	11	4386
Nevada	2434	134	135	2	1	20420	1.6	-111	-1712	81	107	20608
New Hampshire	500	-92	-76	1	2	3851	0.6	58	-400	8	4	3863
New Jersey	7488	-570	38	8	21	84207	2.2	-682	-2743	130	281	84618
New Mexico	1531	341	-74	11	1	10467	1.3	146	-3143	94	57	10618
New York	14557	-1176	-585	26	33	135340	1.5	1168	-5575	342	452	136134
North Carolina	2854	-409	-620	9	8	22012	0.5	314	-4405	71	214	22297
North Dakota	514	37	-105	104	1	2543	0.6	83	-1999	14	2	2559
Ohio	7458	336	-2012	7	17	52558	1.0	775	-3884	75	251	52884
Oklahoma	1624	-23	-622	3	8	15022	1.0	68	-9048	67	98	15187
Oregon	3121	2	-493	18	13	25061	1.4	-610	-1296	230	143	25434
Pennsylvania	14054	980	-2678	48	35	103229	1.8	2617	-19219	478	426	104133
Puerto Rico	2489	-526	-678	3	4	25002	2.8	2108	1630	48	74	25124
Rhode Island	723	-255	-36	3	0	7587	1.6	140	-387	22	28	7637
South Carolina	2725	332	-202	2	8	13297	0.7	-43	-1855	62	94	13453
South Dakota	204	-22	-40	81	1	1179	0.3	-54	-118	49	5	1233
Tennessee	4376	-2101	1186	9	6	22288	0.8	3819	1092	411	173	22872
Texas	14020	-1115	-2523	30	120	142868	1.2	5703	-40877	554	1795	145217
Utah	1058	-8	-145	6	1	8011	0.6	-120	-1521	54	29	8094
Vermont	329	-60	-88	2	0	3604	1.2	-356	-421	7	5	3616
Virgin Islands	19	-2	-22	0	0	488	1.3	80	-98	2	2	492
Virginia	2854	-371	-380	10	21	24040	0.7	36	-4594	292	406	24738
Washington	5178	-172	-513	4	11	46633	1.5	-664	2046	175	689	47497
West Virginia	1047	-8	-246	1	8	10150	1.5	333	-6662	36	36	10222
Wisconsin	4399	-64	-2225	4	5	25554	0.9	-631	-4742	48	49	25651
Wyoming	310	-59	-218	1	3	3189	1.2	23	-4049	29	8	3226
Totals	212270	-19317	-20030	691	697	1753692	1.3	-9514	-185699	8209	10316	1772217

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 US total covered employment is BLS.

UNADJUSTED INITIAL CLAIMS FOR WEEK ENDED JUNE 3, 2017

STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
None		

STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
CA	-8,313	Fewer layoffs in the service industry.
KS	-2,350	No comment.
MO	-2,144	Fewer layoffs in the manufacturing, administrative and support and waste management and remediation service, and accommodation and food service industries.
TN	-2,101	No comment.
NY	-1,176	Fewer layoffs in the accommodation and food service, information, and manufacturing industries.
TX	-1,115	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. 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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