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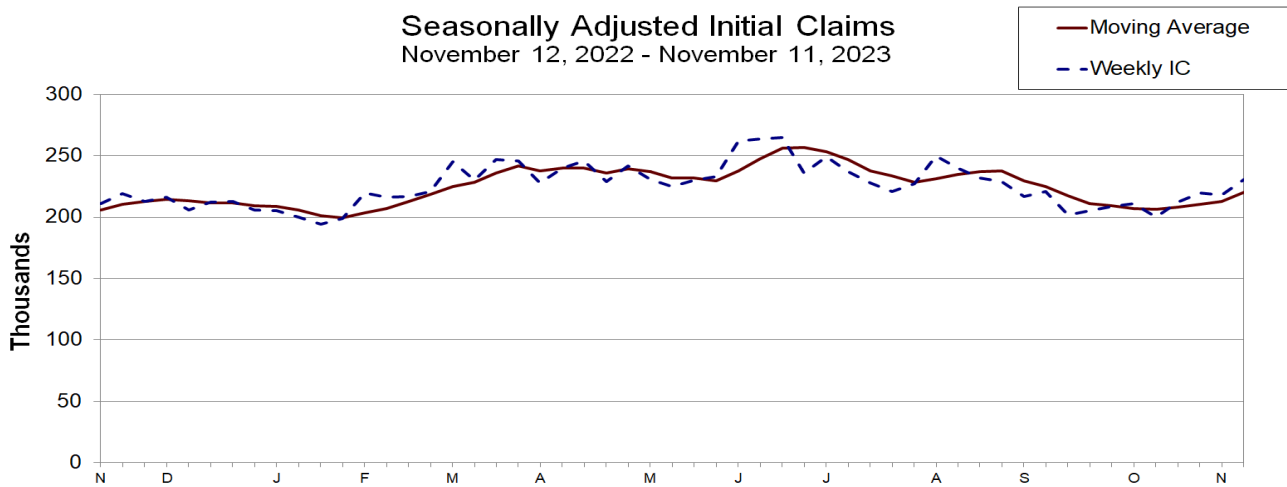
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

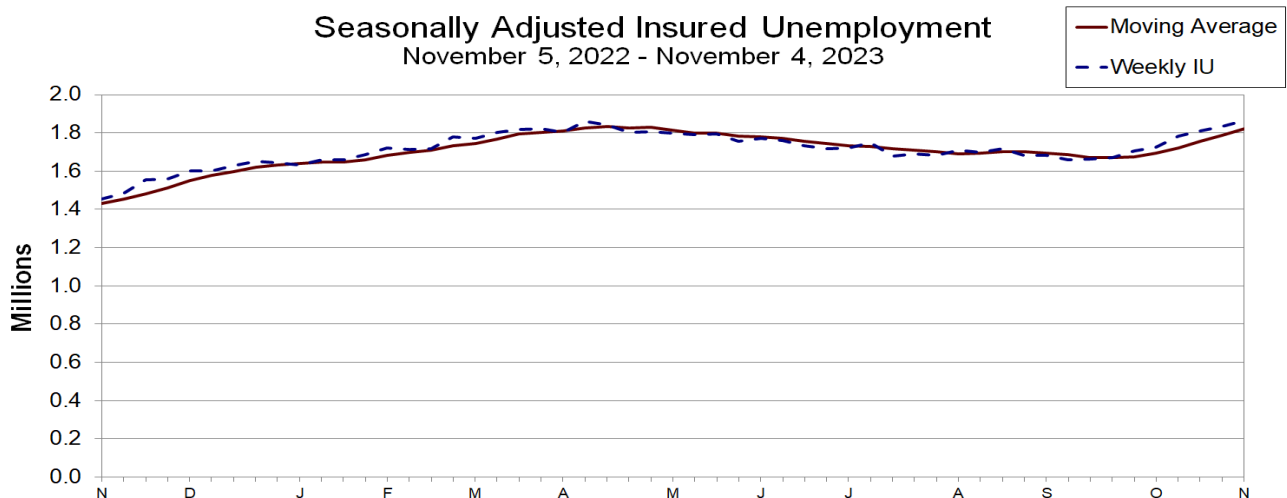
In the week ending November 11, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 231,000, an increase of 13,000 from the previous week's revised level. The previous week's level was revised up by 1,000 from 217,000 to 218,000. The 4-week moving average was 220,250, an increase of 7,750 from the previous week's revised average. The previous week's average was revised up by 250 from 212,250 to 212,500.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 1.3 percent for the week ending November 4, 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 November 4 was 1,865,000, an increase of 32,000 from the previous week's revised level. This is the highest level for insured unemployment since November 27, 2021 when it was 1,964,000. The previous week's level was revised down by 1,000 from 1,834,000 to 1,833,000. The 4-week moving average was 1,823,250, an increase of 34,500 from the previous week's revised average. The previous week's average was revised down by 250 from 1,789,000 to 1,788,750.

Seasonally Adjusted Initial Claims
November 12, 2022 - November 11, 2023



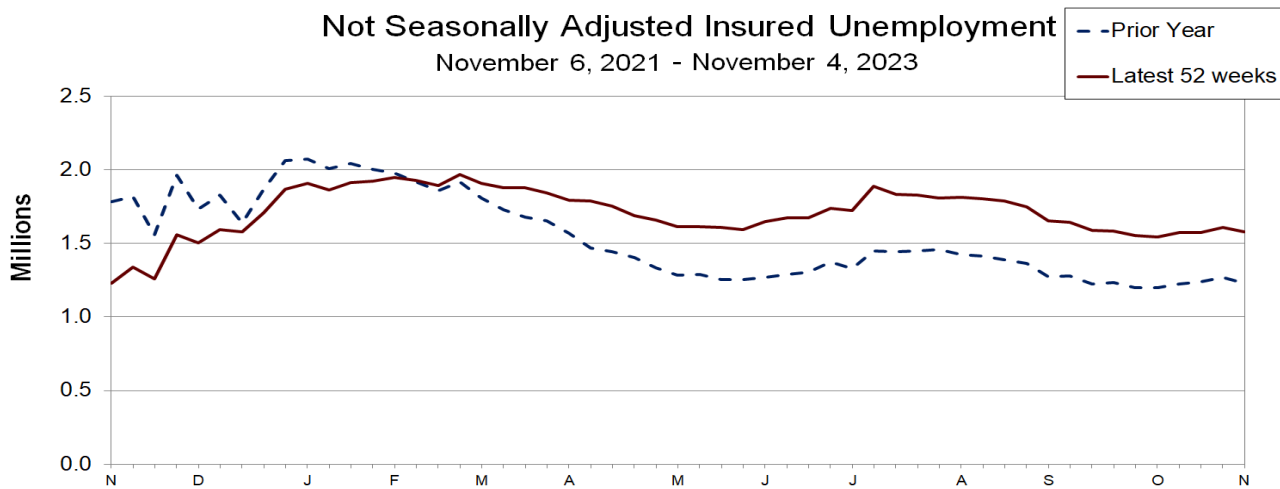
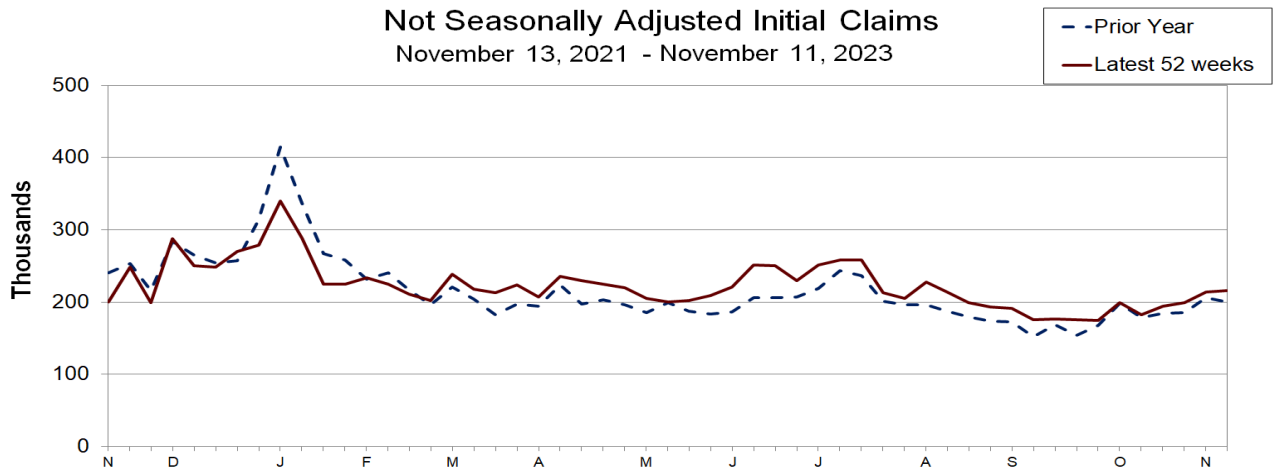
Seasonally Adjusted Insured Unemployment
November 5, 2022 - November 4, 2023



UNADJUSTED DATA

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 215,874 in the week ending November 11, an increase of 1,713 (or 0.8 percent) from the previous week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 10,261 (or -4.8 percent) from the previous week. There were 200,237 initial claims in the comparable week in 2022.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 1.1 percent during the week ending November 4, unchanged from the prior week. The advance unadjusted level of insured unemployment in state programs totaled 1,581,345, a decrease of 26,372 (or -1.6 percent) from the preceding week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 53,163 (or -3.3 percent) from the previous week. A year earlier the rate was 0.9 percent and the volume was 1,230,153.



The total number of continued weeks claimed for benefits in all programs for the week ending October 28 was 1,633,463, an increase of 33,840 from the previous week. There were 1,291,160 weekly claims filed for benefits in all programs in the comparable week in 2022.

No state was triggered "on" the Extended Benefits program during the week ending October 28.

Initial claims for UI benefits filed by former Federal civilian employees totaled 519 in the week ending November 4, a decrease of 109 from the prior week. There were 409 initial claims filed by newly discharged veterans, an increase of 44 from the preceding week.

There were 4,638 continued weeks claimed filed by former Federal civilian employees the week ending October 28, an increase of 329 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 4,295, an increase of 121 from the prior week.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending October 28 were in New Jersey (2.1), California (2.0), Hawaii (2.0), Puerto Rico (1.9), Alaska (1.7), Massachusetts (1.6), New York (1.6), Washington (1.6), Oregon (1.5), and Rhode Island (1.5).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending November 4 were in California (+2,910), New York (+2,245), Pennsylvania (+1,704), New Jersey (+1,689), and Texas (+1,522), while the largest decreases were in Oregon (-2,529), Kentucky (-788), North Carolina (-522), Oklahoma (-108), and Mississippi (-107).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

WEEK ENDING	November 11	November 4	Change	October 28	Prior Year ¹
Initial Claims (SA)	231,000	218,000	+13,000	220,000	211,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	215,874	214,161	+1,713	199,306	200,237
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	220,250	212,500	+7,750	210,750	205,750

WEEK ENDING	November 4	October 28	Change	October 21	Prior Year ¹
Insured Unemployment (SA)	1,865,000	1,833,000	+32,000	1,812,000	1,454,000
Insured Unemployment (NSA)	1,581,345	1,607,717	-26,372	1,574,484	1,230,153
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	1,823,250	1,788,750	+34,500	1,756,750	1,429,000
Insured Unemployment Rate (SA) ²	1.3%	1.2%	+0.1	1.2%	1.0%
Insured Unemployment Rate (NSA) ²	1.1%	1.1%	0.0	1.1%	0.9%

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	November 4	October 28	Change	Prior Year ¹
Federal Employees (UCFE)	519	628	-109	556
Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX)	409	365	+44	394

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

WEEK ENDING	October 28	October 21	Change	Prior Year ¹
Regular State	1,602,671	1,569,609	+33,062	1,264,107
Federal Employees	4,638	4,309	+329	5,799
Newly Discharged Veterans	4,295	4,174	+121	4,169
Extended Benefits ³	495	246	+249	4,388
State Additional Benefits ⁴	2,576	2,655	-79	1,711
STC / Workshare ⁵	18,788	18,630	+158	10,986
TOTAL	1,633,463	1,599,623	+33,840	1,291,160

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 149,106,140 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 November 11			Insured Unemployment For Week Ended November 4		
	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Advance	Prior Wk	Change
Alabama	1,835	2,226	-391	7,820	8,542	-722
Alaska	1,200	952	248	5,371	4,990	381
Arizona	2,862	3,449	-587	20,661	24,098	-3,437
Arkansas	876	1,462	-586	8,529	8,916	-387
California	44,801	44,331	470	354,291	363,044	-8,753
Colorado	2,830	2,849	-19	25,776	24,944	832
Connecticut	2,842	2,566	276	21,052	22,134	-1,082
Delaware	294	473	-179	4,465	4,491	-26
District of Columbia	384	426	-42	5,726	5,905	-179
Florida	5,672	5,659	13	31,865	36,370	-4,505
Georgia	3,782	5,003	-1,221	27,602	30,055	-2,453
Hawaii	1,196	1,271	-75	11,115	11,529	-414
Idaho	1,340	1,280	60	4,480	4,331	149
Illinois	9,537	10,140	-603	79,751	81,302	-1,551
Indiana	3,862	3,233	629	21,467	20,800	667
Iowa	2,120	2,455	-335	6,771	7,138	-367
Kansas	1,241	1,279	-38	4,919	4,767	152
Kentucky	1,816	1,704	112	8,051	7,896	155
Louisiana	1,534	1,782	-248	11,388	12,403	-1,015
Maine	778	777	1	4,069	3,634	435
Maryland	2,359	2,615	-256	21,488	21,819	-331
Massachusetts	5,979	3,018	2,961	55,510	56,779	-1,269
Michigan	8,787	9,070	-283	41,708	46,910	-5,202
Minnesota	6,487	5,116	1,371	35,809	31,200	4,609
Mississippi	905	916	-11	5,288	5,890	-602
Missouri	2,357	2,770	-413	15,432	17,314	-1,882
Montana	1,138	1,168	-30	5,004	4,737	267
Nebraska	672	701	-29	4,020	3,970	50
Nevada	2,604	2,534	70	19,929	20,510	-581
New Hampshire	293	445	-152	2,565	2,719	-154
New Jersey	11,034	10,119	915	84,085	85,147	-1,062
New Mexico	601	863	-262	9,709	9,715	-6
New York	16,559	13,772	2,787	150,026	145,612	4,414
North Carolina	3,392	3,942	-550	19,209	20,185	-976
North Dakota	482	432	50	1,561	1,248	313
Ohio	6,893	6,469	424	37,695	38,219	-524
Oklahoma	1,048	1,329	-281	9,326	9,645	-319
Oregon	2,663	4,027	-1,364	29,243	29,719	-476
Pennsylvania	11,504	12,241	-737	81,232	80,924	308
Puerto Rico	1,089	1,155	-66	15,770	17,008	-1,238
Rhode Island	888	783	105	7,249	7,073	176
South Carolina	1,874	2,029	-155	12,729	13,243	-514
South Dakota	159	229	-70	878	856	22
Tennessee	2,258	2,539	-281	14,074	14,932	-858
Texas	17,018	16,188	830	126,864	130,568	-3,704
Utah	2,111	1,828	283	10,438	10,279	159
Vermont	271	374	-103	1,961	1,826	135
Virgin Islands	12	24	-12	270	262	8
Virginia	1,506	1,730	-224	13,125	12,341	784
Washington	6,612	6,814	-202	55,530	53,873	1,657
West Virginia	701	856	-155	6,475	5,822	653
Wisconsin	4,432	4,269	163	20,085	18,620	1,465
Wyoming	384	479	-95	1,889	1,463	426
US Total	215,874	214,161	1,713	1,581,345	1,607,717	-26,372

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	
November 5, 2022	207	3	202.50	1,454	15	1,429.00	1.0
November 12, 2022	211	4	205.75	1,484	30	1,452.25	1.0
November 19, 2022	219	8	210.25	1,554	70	1,482.75	1.1
November 26, 2022	213	-6	212.50	1,558	4	1,512.50	1.1
December 3, 2022	216	3	214.75	1,601	43	1,549.25	1.1
December 10, 2022	206	-10	213.50	1,601	0	1,578.50	1.1
December 17, 2022	212	6	211.75	1,627	26	1,596.75	1.1
December 24, 2022	213	1	211.75	1,650	23	1,619.75	1.1
December 31, 2022	206	-7	209.25	1,645	-5	1,630.75	1.1
January 7, 2023	205	-1	209.00	1,634	-11	1,639.00	1.1
January 14, 2023	200	-5	206.00	1,658	24	1,646.75	1.1
January 21, 2023	194	-6	201.25	1,660	2	1,649.25	1.1
January 28, 2023	199	5	199.50	1,688	28	1,660.00	1.2
February 4, 2023	220	21	203.25	1,723	35	1,682.25	1.2
February 11, 2023	216	-4	207.25	1,714	-9	1,696.25	1.2
February 18, 2023	217	1	213.00	1,718	4	1,710.75	1.2
February 25, 2023	221	4	218.50	1,781	63	1,734.00	1.2
March 4, 2023	245	24	224.75	1,772	-9	1,746.25	1.2
March 11, 2023	230	-15	228.25	1,804	32	1,768.75	1.2
March 18, 2023	247	17	235.75	1,817	13	1,793.50	1.3
March 25, 2023	246	-1	242.00	1,823	6	1,804.00	1.3
April 1, 2023	228	-18	237.75	1,804	-19	1,812.00	1.2
April 8, 2023	240	12	240.25	1,861	57	1,826.25	1.3
April 15, 2023	246	6	240.00	1,843	-18	1,832.75	1.3
April 22, 2023	229	-17	235.75	1,801	-42	1,827.25	1.2
April 29, 2023	242	13	239.25	1,807	6	1,828.00	1.2
May 6, 2023	231	-11	237.00	1,799	-8	1,812.50	1.2
May 13, 2023	225	-6	231.75	1,789	-10	1,799.00	1.2
May 20, 2023	230	5	232.00	1,794	5	1,797.25	1.2
May 27, 2023	233	3	229.75	1,755	-39	1,784.25	1.2
June 3, 2023	262	29	237.50	1,772	17	1,777.50	1.2
June 10, 2023	264	2	247.25	1,761	-11	1,770.50	1.2
June 17, 2023	265	1	256.00	1,733	-28	1,755.25	1.2
June 24, 2023	236	-29	256.75	1,718	-15	1,746.00	1.2
July 1, 2023	249	13	253.50	1,721	3	1,733.25	1.2
July 8, 2023	237	-12	246.75	1,749	28	1,730.25	1.2
July 15, 2023	228	-9	237.50	1,679	-70	1,716.75	1.1
July 22, 2023	221	-7	233.75	1,692	13	1,710.25	1.1
July 29, 2023	227	6	228.25	1,684	-8	1,701.00	1.1
August 5, 2023	250	23	231.50	1,711	27	1,691.50	1.2
August 12, 2023	240	-10	234.50	1,697	-14	1,696.00	1.1
August 19, 2023	232	-8	237.25	1,719	22	1,702.75	1.2
August 26, 2023	229	-3	237.75	1,684	-35	1,702.75	1.1
September 2, 2023	217	-12	229.50	1,683	-1	1,695.75	1.1
September 9, 2023	221	4	224.75	1,658	-25	1,686.00	1.1
September 16, 2023	202	-19	217.25	1,665	7	1,672.50	1.1
September 23, 2023	205	3	211.25	1,672	7	1,669.50	1.1
September 30, 2023	209	4	209.25	1,705	33	1,675.00	1.2
October 7, 2023	211	2	206.75	1,727	22	1,692.25	1.2
October 14, 2023	200	-11	206.25	1,783	56	1,721.75	1.2
October 21, 2023	212	12	208.00	1,812	29	1,756.75	1.2
October 28, 2023	220	8	210.75	1,833	21	1,788.75	1.2
November 4, 2023	218	-2	212.50	1,865	32	1,823.25	1.3
November 11, 2023	231	13	220.25				

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED DURING WEEK ENDED
NOVEMBER 4

INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT FOR WEEK ENDED
OCTOBER 28

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	2,226	191	-181	5	3	8,542	0.4	98	4,382	21	19	8,582	
Alaska	952	70	-189	10	2	4,990	1.7	457	-34	47	8	5,045	
Arizona	3,449	166	367	5	0	24,098	0.8	-472	5,011	58	30	24,186	
Arkansas	1,462	200	91	0	1	8,916	0.7	-33	2,078	36	10	8,962	
California	44,331	2,910	848	122	83	363,044	2.0	2,459	63,097	704	1,107	364,855	
Colorado	2,849	253	101	10	8	24,944	0.9	586	7,127	58	130	25,132	
Connecticut	2,566	161	443	1	2	22,134	1.3	2,249	5,488	44	26	22,204	
Delaware	473	67	94	4	0	4,491	1.0	201	1,445	17	8	4,516	
District of Columbia	426	-6	26	6	0	5,905	1.1	-94	3,051	161	10	6,076	
Florida	5,659	-91	-1,753	11	22	36,370	0.4	1,562	-4,521	97	107	36,574	
Georgia	5,003	-15	-717	14	14	30,055	0.6	-582	-2,031	93	98	30,246	
Hawaii	1,271	-80	178	3	6	11,529	2.0	-491	6,031	33	56	11,618	
Idaho	1,280	239	12	13	4	4,331	0.5	194	928	42	8	4,381	
Illinois	10,140	1,095	322	6	3	81,302	1.4	2,865	21,895	270	102	81,674	
Indiana	3,233	415	-1,752	6	3	20,800	0.7	1,207	322	57	28	20,885	
Iowa	2,455	211	959	3	0	7,138	0.5	528	1,324	12	8	7,158	
Kansas	1,279	185	-127	0	1	4,767	0.3	293	1,105	27	12	4,806	
Kentucky	1,704	-788	-2,925	0	0	7,896	0.4	587	51	28	34	7,958	
Louisiana	1,782	46	-14	1	1	12,403	0.7	183	2,152	24	18	12,445	
Maine	777	198	1	0	1	3,634	0.6	164	771	13	7	3,654	
Maryland	2,615	342	417	13	9	21,819	0.9	579	3,318	125	68	22,012	
Massachusetts	3,018	497	-2,398	8	11	56,779	1.6	975	13,744	105	79	56,963	
Michigan	9,070	-36	2,421	7	10	46,910	1.1	6,498	15,684	71	37	47,018	
Minnesota	5,116	1,277	990	11	5	31,200	1.1	1,158	8,113	58	39	31,297	
Mississippi	916	-107	-16	2	0	5,890	0.5	130	1,514	40	6	5,936	
Missouri	2,770	35	226	2	1	17,314	0.6	841	4,917	39	18	17,371	
Montana	1,168	210	-172	26	0	4,737	1.0	1,061	900	58	5	4,800	
Nebraska	701	-14	102	0	0	3,970	0.4	5	1,362	3	4	3,977	
Nevada	2,534	432	221	5	2	20,510	1.4	48	5,440	51	39	20,600	
New Hampshire	445	24	165	2	2	2,719	0.4	110	935	4	0	2,723	
New Jersey	10,119	1,689	3,028	16	17	85,147	2.1	1,258	16,582	194	157	85,498	
New Mexico	863	89	32	2	1	9,715	1.2	232	2,119	94	28	9,837	
New York	13,772	2,245	-204	26	9	145,612	1.6	1,409	27,893	320	221	146,153	
North Carolina	3,942	-522	1,309	6	1	20,185	0.4	162	5,642	52	72	20,309	
North Dakota	432	129	154	0	2	1,248	0.3	112	375	11	2	1,261	
Ohio	6,469	536	-1,012	9	11	38,219	0.7	620	10,121	44	52	38,315	
Oklahoma	1,329	-108	235	2	8	9,645	0.6	353	346	22	36	9,703	
Oregon	4,027	-2,529	662	48	5	29,719	1.5	-214	8,279	177	49	29,945	
Pennsylvania	12,241	1,704	3,095	9	12	80,924	1.4	1,179	22,875	255	137	81,316	
Puerto Rico	1,155	-103	-762	4	0	17,008	1.9	16	-1,054	189	42	17,239	
Rhode Island	783	-25	-14	3	1	7,073	1.5	88	1,234	21	21	7,115	
South Carolina	2,029	-98	83	2	6	13,243	0.6	285	2,360	27	46	13,316	
South Dakota	229	49	20	1	0	856	0.2	60	185	13	1	870	
Tennessee	2,539	304	523	2	8	14,932	0.4	197	3,560	32	32	14,996	
Texas	16,188	1,522	716	45	90	130,568	1.0	1,614	33,509	396	878	131,842	
Utah	1,828	0	157	18	3	10,279	0.6	153	3,621	54	17	10,350	
Vermont	374	136	-30	1	0	1,826	0.6	48	285	0	0	1,826	
Virgin Islands	24	-6	-1	0	0	262	0.8	-12	70	2	2	266	
Virginia	1,730	-70	973	5	5	12,341	0.3	4	5,390	82	80	12,503	
Washington	6,814	878	900	15	30	53,873	1.6	876	17,081	169	268	54,310	
West Virginia	856	132	52	1	2	5,822	0.9	252	703	29	18	5,869	
Wisconsin	4,269	759	475	5	2	18,620	0.7	1,078	3,515	38	8	18,666	
Wyoming	479	57	-49	3	2	1,463	0.5	97	59	21	7	1,491	
Totals	214,161	14,855	8,082	519	409	1,607,717	1.1	33,233	340,349	4,638	4,295	1,616,650	

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 NOVEMBER 4, 2023

STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
CA	+2,910	No comment.
NY	+2,245	Layoffs in construction; manufacturing; and in arts, entertainment and recreation industries.
PA	+1,704	Layoffs in construction; arts, entertainment and recreation; and in administrative and support and waste management and remediation services industries.
NJ	+1,689	No comment.
TX	+1,522	Layoffs in manufacturing, accommodation and food services, wholesale trade, and in transportation and warehousing industries.
MN	+1,277	No comment.
IL	+1,095	Layoffs in construction, administrative and support and waste management and remediation services, and in manufacturing industries.

STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
OR	-2,529	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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