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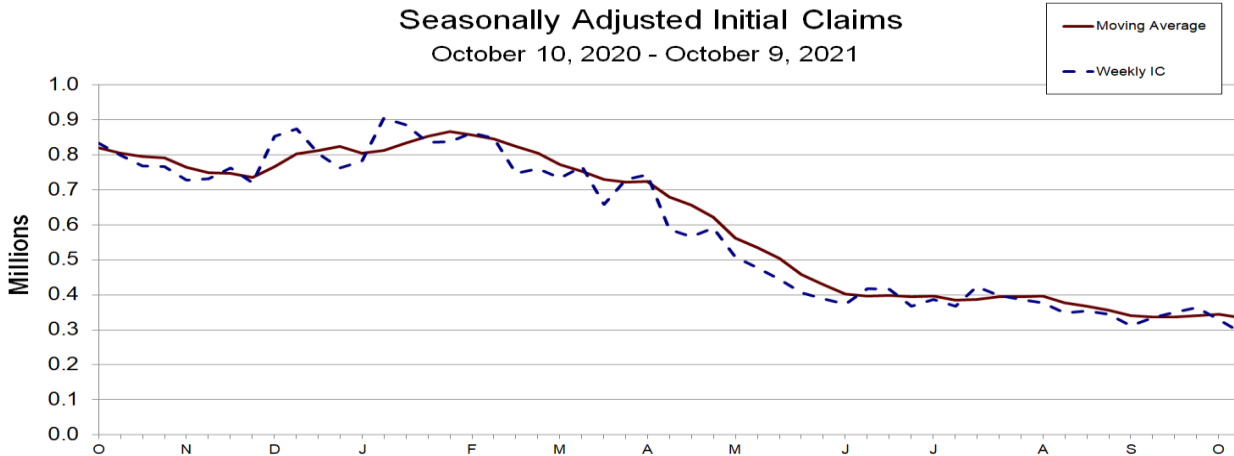
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

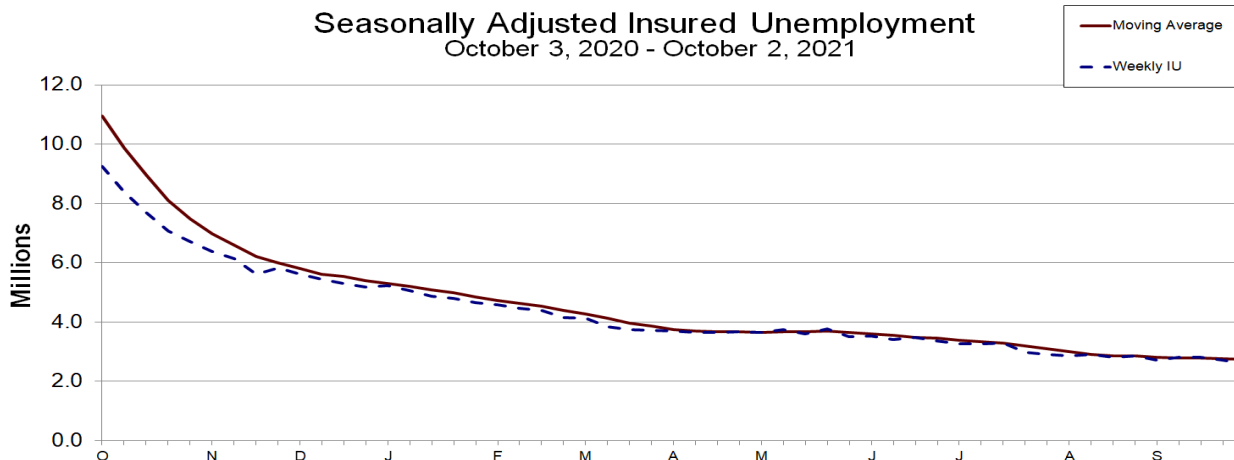
In the week ending October 9, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 293,000, a decrease of 36,000 from the previous week's revised level. This is the lowest level for initial claims since March 14, 2020 when it was 256,000. The previous week's level was revised up by 3,000 from 326,000 to 329,000. The 4-week moving average was 334,250, a decrease of 10,500 from the previous week's revised average. This is the lowest level for this average since March 14, 2020 when it was 225,500. The previous week's average was revised up by 750 from 344,000 to 344,750.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 1.9 percent for the week ending October 2, a decrease of 0.1 percentage point from the previous week's unrevised rate. The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending October 2 was 2,593,000, a decrease of 134,000 from the previous week's revised level. This is the lowest level for insured unemployment since March 14, 2020 when it was 1,770,000. The previous week's level was revised up 13,000 from 2,714,000 to 2,727,000. The 4-week moving average was 2,737,750, a decrease of 30,500 from the previous week's revised average. This is the lowest level for this average since March 21, 2020 when it was 2,071,750. The previous week's average was revised up by 3,250 from 2,765,000 to 2,768,250.

Seasonally Adjusted Initial Claims
October 10, 2020 - October 9, 2021



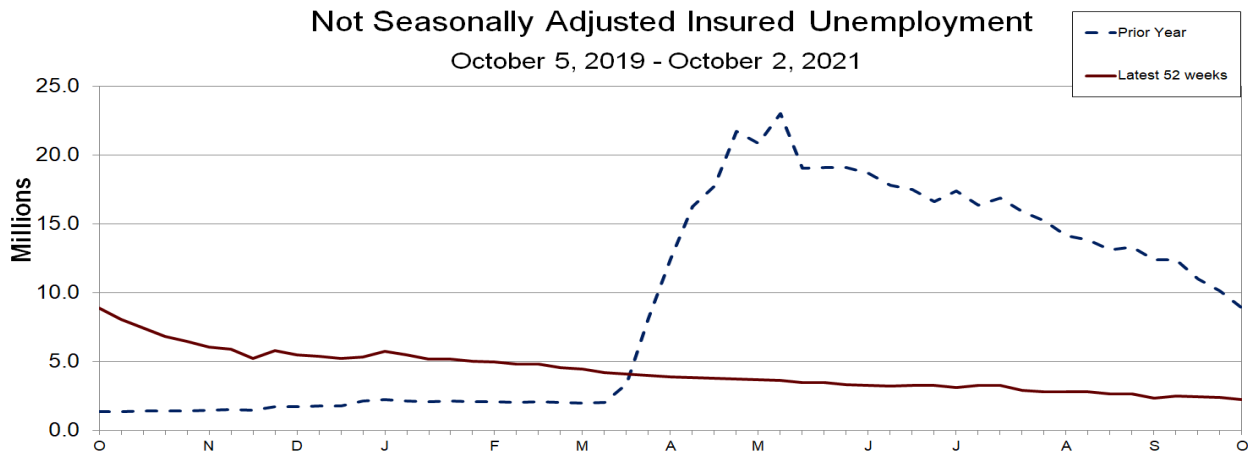
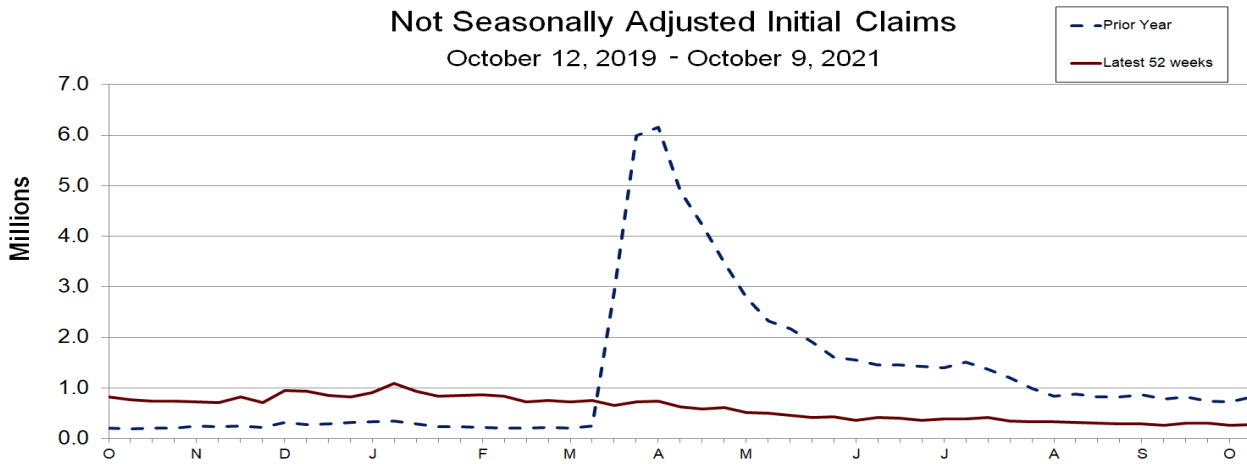
Seasonally Adjusted Insured Unemployment
October 3, 2020 - October 2, 2021



UNADJUSTED DATA

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 277,632 in the week ending October 9, an increase of 16,017 (or 6.1 percent) from the previous week. The seasonal factors had expected an increase of 52,018 (or 19.9 percent) from the previous week. There were 822,205 initial claims in the comparable week in 2020. In addition, for the week ending October 9, 38 states reported 21,913 initial claims for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 1.7 percent during the week ending October 2, a decrease of 0.1 percentage point from the prior week. The advance unadjusted level of insured unemployment in state programs totaled 2,252,670, a decrease of 151,657 (or -6.3 percent) from the preceding week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 16,851 (or -0.7 percent) from the previous week. A year earlier the rate was 6.1 percent and the volume was 8,917,837.



The total number of continued weeks claimed for benefits in all programs for the week ending September 25 was 3,649,013, a decrease of 523,426 from the previous week. There were 24,902,586 weekly claims filed for benefits in all programs in the comparable week in 2020.

During the week ending September 25, Extended Benefits were available in the following 4 states: Alaska, Connecticut, New Jersey, and New Mexico.

Initial claims for UI benefits filed by former Federal civilian employees totaled 742 in the week ending October 2, an increase of 88 from the prior week. There were 467 initial claims filed by newly discharged veterans, a decrease of 18 from the preceding week.

There were 8,479 continued weeks claimed filed by former Federal civilian employees the week ending September 25, an increase of 114 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 5,573, an increase of 2 from the prior week.

During the week ending September 25, 43 states reported 549,103 continued weekly claims for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance benefits and 45 states reported 440,435 continued claims for Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation benefits.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending September 25 were in Illinois (4.4), Puerto Rico (4.3), California (3.3), Hawaii (2.9), the Virgin Islands (2.8), New Jersey (2.7), District of Columbia (2.6), Nevada (2.6), Alaska (2.5), and Pennsylvania (2.5).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending October 2 was in Pennsylvania (+1,707), while the largest decreases were in California (-14,733), District of Columbia (-3,905), Michigan (-3,370), Missouri (-2,598), and Texas (-2,376).

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 | |
| October 3, 2020 | 782 | -21 | 826.25 | 9,259 | -1,218 | 10,955.75 | 6.3 |
| October 10, 2020 | 833 | 51 | 819.50 | 8,384 | -875 | 9,875.25 | 5.7 |
| October 17, 2020 | 798 | -35 | 804.00 | 7,699 | -685 | 8,954.75 | 5.3 |
| October 24, 2020 | 768 | -30 | 795.25 | 7,076 | -623 | 8,104.50 | 4.8 |
| October 31, 2020 | 765 | -3 | 791.00 | 6,724 | -352 | 7,470.75 | 4.6 |
| November 7, 2020 | 728 | -37 | 764.75 | 6,389 | -335 | 6,972.00 | 4.4 |
| November 14, 2020 | 732 | 4 | 748.25 | 6,138 | -251 | 6,581.75 | 4.2 |
| November 21, 2020 | 762 | 30 | 746.75 | 5,606 | -532 | 6,214.25 | 3.8 |
| November 28, 2020 | 719 | -43 | 735.25 | 5,829 | 223 | 5,990.50 | 4.0 |
| December 5, 2020 | 853 | 134 | 766.50 | 5,614 | -215 | 5,796.75 | 3.8 |
| December 12, 2020 | 873 | 20 | 801.75 | 5,433 | -181 | 5,620.50 | 3.7 |
| December 19, 2020 | 803 | -70 | 812.00 | 5,311 | -122 | 5,546.75 | 3.6 |
| December 26, 2020 | 763 | -40 | 823.00 | 5,180 | -131 | 5,384.50 | 3.5 |
| January 2, 2021 | 781 | 18 | 805.00 | 5,240 | 60 | 5,291.00 | 3.7 |
| January 9, 2021 | 904 | 123 | 812.75 | 5,061 | -179 | 5,198.00 | 3.6 |
| January 16, 2021 | 886 | -18 | 833.50 | 4,878 | -183 | 5,089.75 | 3.4 |
| January 23, 2021 | 836 | -50 | 851.75 | 4,791 | -87 | 4,992.50 | 3.4 |
| January 30, 2021 | 837 | 1 | 865.75 | 4,655 | -136 | 4,846.25 | 3.3 |
| February 6, 2021 | 863 | 26 | 855.50 | 4,592 | -63 | 4,729.00 | 3.2 |
| February 13, 2021 | 847 | -16 | 845.75 | 4,469 | -123 | 4,626.75 | 3.1 |
| February 20, 2021 | 747 | -100 | 823.50 | 4,383 | -86 | 4,524.75 | 3.1 |
| February 27, 2021 | 761 | 14 | 804.50 | 4,157 | -226 | 4,400.25 | 2.9 |
| March 6, 2021 | 734 | -27 | 772.25 | 4,123 | -34 | 4,283.00 | 2.9 |
| March 13, 2021 | 765 | 31 | 751.75 | 3,841 | -282 | 4,126.00 | 2.7 |
| March 20, 2021 | 658 | -107 | 729.50 | 3,753 | -88 | 3,968.50 | 2.6 |
| March 27, 2021 | 729 | 71 | 721.50 | 3,717 | -36 | 3,858.50 | 2.6 |
| April 3, 2021 | 742 | 13 | 723.50 | 3,708 | -9 | 3,754.75 | 2.7 |
| April 10, 2021 | 586 | -156 | 678.75 | 3,652 | -56 | 3,707.50 | 2.6 |
| April 17, 2021 | 566 | -20 | 655.75 | 3,653 | 1 | 3,682.50 | 2.6 |
| April 24, 2021 | 590 | 24 | 621.00 | 3,680 | 27 | 3,673.25 | 2.6 |
| May 1, 2021 | 507 | -83 | 562.25 | 3,640 | -40 | 3,656.25 | 2.6 |
| May 8, 2021 | 478 | -29 | 535.25 | 3,738 | 98 | 3,677.75 | 2.7 |
| May 15, 2021 | 444 | -34 | 504.75 | 3,611 | -127 | 3,667.25 | 2.6 |
| May 22, 2021 | 405 | -39 | 458.50 | 3,769 | 158 | 3,689.50 | 2.7 |
| May 29, 2021 | 388 | -17 | 428.75 | 3,517 | -252 | 3,658.75 | 2.5 |
| June 5, 2021 | 374 | -14 | 402.75 | 3,528 | 11 | 3,606.25 | 2.5 |
| June 12, 2021 | 418 | 44 | 396.25 | 3,412 | -116 | 3,556.50 | 2.5 |
| June 19, 2021 | 416 | -2 | 399.00 | 3,484 | 72 | 3,485.25 | 2.5 |
| June 26, 2021 | 368 | -48 | 394.00 | 3,367 | -117 | 3,447.75 | 2.4 |
| July 3, 2021 | 386 | 18 | 397.00 | 3,265 | -102 | 3,382.00 | 2.4 |
| July 10, 2021 | 368 | -18 | 384.50 | 3,262 | -3 | 3,344.50 | 2.4 |
| July 17, 2021 | 424 | 56 | 386.50 | 3,296 | 34 | 3,297.50 | 2.4 |
| July 24, 2021 | 399 | -25 | 394.25 | 2,980 | -316 | 3,200.75 | 2.2 |
| July 31, 2021 | 387 | -12 | 394.50 | 2,899 | -81 | 3,109.25 | 2.1 |
| August 7, 2021 | 377 | -10 | 396.75 | 2,865 | -34 | 3,010.00 | 2.1 |
| August 14, 2021 | 349 | -28 | 378.00 | 2,908 | 43 | 2,913.00 | 2.1 |
| August 21, 2021 | 354 | 5 | 366.75 | 2,805 | -103 | 2,869.25 | 2.0 |
| August 28, 2021 | 345 | -9 | 356.25 | 2,852 | 47 | 2,857.50 | 2.1 |
| September 4, 2021 | 312 | -33 | 340.00 | 2,715 | -137 | 2,820.00 | 2.0 |
| September 11, 2021 | 335 | 23 | 336.50 | 2,820 | 105 | 2,798.00 | 2.1 |
| September 18, 2021 | 351 | 16 | 335.75 | 2,811 | -9 | 2,799.50 | 2.1 |
| September 25, 2021 | 364 | 13 | 340.50 | 2,727 | -84 | 2,768.25 | 2.0 |
| October 2, 2021 | 329 | -35 | 344.75 | 2,593 | -134 | 2,737.75 | 1.9 |
| October 9, 2021 | 293 | -36 | 334.25 | | | | |

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

| STATE | PUA Initial Claims Filed During Week Ended October 9 | | | PUA Continued Claims For Week Ended Sep 25 | | |
|----------------------|--|----------|--------|--|---------|---------|
| | Advance | Prior Wk | Change | Sep 25 | Sep 18 | Change |
| Alabama | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Alaska | 32 | 24 | 8 | 1,174 | 1,397 | -223 |
| Arizona | 9 | 27 | -18 | 1,567 | 0 | 1,567 |
| Arkansas | 2 | 20 | -18 | 9 | 348 | -339 |
| California | 15,029 | 12,826 | 2,203 | 283,279 | 336,980 | -53,701 |
| Colorado | 0 | 2 | -2 | 109 | 121 | -12 |
| Connecticut | 39 | 49 | -10 | 291 | 625 | -334 |
| Delaware | 4 | 11 | -7 | 103 | 50 | 53 |
| District of Columbia | 24 | 12 | 12 | 1,093 | 1,521 | -428 |
| Florida | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Georgia | 209 | 241 | -32 | 8,868 | 7,169 | 1,699 |
| Hawaii | 85 | 125 | -40 | 4,987 | 6,023 | -1,036 |
| Idaho | 11 | 6 | 5 | 12 | 5 | 7 |
| Illinois | 157 | 234 | -77 | 5,157 | 23,062 | -17,905 |
| Indiana | 446 | 586 | -140 | 15,010 | 12,329 | 2,681 |
| Iowa | 37 | 21 | 16 | 38 | 69 | -31 |
| Kansas | 52 | 526 | -474 | 643 | 712 | -69 |
| Kentucky | 0 | 29 | -29 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Louisiana | 8 | 6 | 2 | 149 | 172 | -23 |
| Maine | 80 | 69 | 11 | 137 | 117 | 20 |
| Maryland | 14 | 12 | 2 | 13,361 | 13,509 | -148 |
| Massachusetts | 1,025 | 923 | 102 | 29,053 | 27,666 | 1,387 |
| Michigan | 110 | 3,262 | -3,152 | 4,632 | 13,034 | -8,402 |
| Minnesota | 0 | 0 | 0 | 855 | 1,017 | -162 |
| Mississippi | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 16 | -3 |
| Missouri | 29 | 44 | -15 | 1,456 | 1,287 | 169 |
| Montana | 4 | 5 | -1 | 328 | 325 | 3 |
| Nebraska | 0 | 0 | 0 | 23 | 20 | 3 |
| Nevada | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| New Hampshire | 29 | 23 | 6 | 1 | 12 | -11 |
| New Jersey | 52 | 49 | 3 | 26,191 | 33,874 | -7,683 |
| New Mexico | 374 | 273 | 101 | 1,424 | 2,523 | -1,099 |
| New York | 282 | 334 | -52 | 28,403 | 26,719 | 1,684 |
| North Carolina | 3 | 4 | -1 | 667 | 720 | -53 |
| North Dakota | 2 | 2 | 0 | 86 | 105 | -19 |
| Ohio | 302 | 222 | 80 | 39,112 | 46,057 | -6,945 |
| Oklahoma | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Oregon | 718 | 637 | 81 | 31,138 | 28,974 | 2,164 |
| Pennsylvania | 220 | 716 | -496 | 6,248 | 8,346 | -2,098 |
| Puerto Rico | 706 | 536 | 170 | 36,052 | 38,074 | -2,022 |
| Rhode Island | 38 | 66 | -28 | 108 | 179 | -71 |
| South Carolina | 4 | 5 | -1 | 110 | 55 | 55 |
| South Dakota | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Tennessee | 32 | 27 | 5 | 620 | 4,054 | -3,434 |
| Texas | 171 | 54 | 117 | 809 | 809 | 0 |
| Utah | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Vermont | 0 | 3 | -3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Virgin Islands | 0 | 1 | -1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Virginia | 220 | 295 | -75 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Washington | 597 | 726 | -129 | 2,827 | 4,331 | -1,504 |
| West Virginia | 0 | 1 | -1 | 27 | 54 | -27 |
| Wisconsin | 468 | 472 | -4 | 2,930 | 5,227 | -2,297 |
| Wyoming | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 0 |
| US Total | 21,624 | 23,506 | -1,882 | 549,103 | 647,690 | -98,587 |

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 Continued Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

| STATE | PEUC Claims Filed During Weeks Ended: | | | | |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|----------|--------------|-------------|
| | September 25 | September 18 | Change | September 11 | September 4 |
| Alabama | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Alaska | 31 | 221 | -190 | 518 | 8,558 |
| Arizona | 334 | 640 | -306 | 1,483 | 11,423 |
| Arkansas | 457 | 481 | -24 | 499 | 781 |
| California | 278,068 | 400,150 | -122,082 | 501,493 | 1,277,140 |
| Colorado | 539 | 800 | -261 | 1,686 | 70,923 |
| Connecticut | 770 | 944 | -174 | 1,634 | 48,841 |
| Delaware | 407 | 410 | -3 | 410 | 3,387 |
| District of Columbia | 44 | 60 | -16 | 95 | 199 |
| Florida | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Georgia | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Hawaii | 978 | 1,258 | -280 | 4,244 | 3,018 |
| Idaho | 63 | 20 | 43 | 45 | 150 |
| Illinois | 2,019 | 7,276 | -5,257 | 128,389 | 245,219 |
| Indiana | 2,024 | 1,866 | 158 | 2,292 | 46,804 |
| Iowa | 846 | 1,031 | -185 | 1,116 | 1,408 |
| Kansas | 2,446 | 1,518 | 928 | 1,951 | 9,398 |
| Kentucky | 1,745 | 1,885 | -140 | 12,139 | 22,570 |
| Louisiana | 76 | 61 | 15 | 1,042 | 13,999 |
| Maine | 54 | 114 | -60 | 614 | 13,338 |
| Maryland | 4,430 | 5,159 | -729 | 6,405 | 47,022 |
| Massachusetts | 751 | 1,200 | -449 | 5,904 | 172,123 |
| Michigan | 3,201 | 7,186 | -3,985 | 62,813 | 121,837 |
| Minnesota | 1,876 | 2,035 | -159 | 5,514 | 101,127 |
| Mississippi | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| Missouri | 1,272 | 926 | 346 | 855 | 975 |
| Montana | 23 | 74 | -51 | 42 | 159 |
| Nebraska | 29 | 67 | -38 | 84 | 63 |
| Nevada | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,918 | 37,472 |
| New Hampshire | 27 | 22 | 5 | 74 | 717 |
| New Jersey | 33,784 | 42,593 | -8,809 | 61,426 | 183,539 |
| New Mexico | 69 | 138 | -69 | 286 | 22,575 |
| New York | 68,888 | 54,990 | 13,898 | 57,805 | 687,442 |
| North Carolina | 1,047 | 801 | 246 | 16 | 111,593 |
| North Dakota | 0 | 2 | -2 | 5 | 35 |
| Ohio | 2,669 | 29,872 | -27,203 | 58,349 | 72,255 |
| Oklahoma | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Oregon | 2,389 | 1,842 | 547 | 4,307 | 61,018 |
| Pennsylvania | 10,001 | 14,464 | -4,463 | 22,368 | 163,035 |
| Puerto Rico | 6,894 | 9,915 | -3,021 | 18,205 | 31,560 |
| Rhode Island | 132 | 245 | -113 | 268 | 16,580 |
| South Carolina | 102 | 16 | 86 | 24 | 119 |
| South Dakota | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Tennessee | 59 | 148 | -89 | 153 | 140 |
| Texas | 658 | 658 | 0 | 865 | 614 |
| Utah | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Vermont | 380 | 517 | -137 | 861 | 2,608 |
| Virgin Islands | 10 | 18 | -8 | 54 | 29 |
| Virginia | 4,246 | 29,666 | -25,420 | 5,584 | 8,265 |
| Washington | 373 | 378 | -5 | 525 | 559 |
| West Virginia | 99 | 149 | -50 | 27 | 114 |
| Wisconsin | 6,114 | 8,996 | -2,882 | 17,421 | 23,817 |
| Wyoming | 9 | 2 | 7 | 5 | 6 |
| US Total | 440,435 | 630,814 | -190,379 | 991,813 | 3,644,555 |

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

Extended Benefits (EB) Continued Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

| STATE | EB Claims Filed During Weeks Ended: | | |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|----------|
| | September 25 | September 18 | Change |
| Alabama | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Alaska | 2,225 | 2,021 | 204 |
| Arizona | 57 | 92 | -35 |
| Arkansas | 10 | 11 | -1 |
| California | 51,346 | 76,910 | -25,564 |
| Colorado | 14 | 18 | -4 |
| Connecticut | 2,610 | 5,185 | -2,575 |
| Delaware | 0 | 1 | -1 |
| District of Columbia | 5 | 6 | -1 |
| Florida | 316 | 352 | -36 |
| Georgia | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Hawaii | 4 | 8 | -4 |
| Idaho | 12 | 16 | -4 |
| Illinois | 41,331 | 69,542 | -28,211 |
| Indiana | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Iowa | 7 | 8 | -1 |
| Kansas | 8 | 7 | 1 |
| Kentucky | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Louisiana | 16 | 32 | -16 |
| Maine | 10 | 6 | 4 |
| Maryland | 8 | 70 | -62 |
| Massachusetts | 12 | 1 | 11 |
| Michigan | 20 | 27 | -7 |
| Minnesota | 0 | 1 | -1 |
| Mississippi | 7 | 19 | -12 |
| Missouri | 26 | 26 | 0 |
| Montana | 3 | 5 | -2 |
| Nebraska | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Nevada | 15,428 | 20,949 | -5,521 |
| New Hampshire | 10 | 16 | -6 |
| New Jersey | 84,891 | 82,435 | 2,456 |
| New Mexico | 7,236 | 6,656 | 580 |
| New York | 392 | 403 | -11 |
| North Carolina | 75 | 90 | -15 |
| North Dakota | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Ohio | 137 | 114 | 23 |
| Oklahoma | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Oregon | 7 | 71 | -64 |
| Pennsylvania | 446 | 267 | 179 |
| Puerto Rico | 375 | 457 | -82 |
| Rhode Island | 1 | 46 | -45 |
| South Carolina | 48 | 54 | -6 |
| South Dakota | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Tennessee | 15 | 28 | -13 |
| Texas | 15,333 | 124,272 | -108,939 |
| Utah | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Vermont | 10 | 2 | 8 |
| Virgin Islands | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Virginia | 84 | 340 | -256 |
| Washington | 4 | 0 | 4 |
| West Virginia | 1 | 2 | -1 |
| Wisconsin | 68 | 87 | -19 |
| Wyoming | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| US Total | 222,613 | 390,656 | -168,043 |

Note: Information on the EB program can be found here: [EB Program information](#)

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED DURING WEEK ENDED
OCTOBER 2

INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT FOR WEEK ENDED
SEPTEMBER 25

| STATE NAME | CHANGE FROM | | | | | | CHANGE FROM | | | | | | ALL PROGRAMS EXCLUDING RAILROAD RETIREMENT |
|----------------------|-------------|---------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------------|-------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------|-----------|---|
| | STATE | WEEK | LAST YEAR AGO | UCFE ¹ | UCX ¹ | STATE (%) ² | WEEK | LAST YEAR AGO | UCFE ¹ | UCX ¹ | | | |
| Alabama | 3,967 | -33 | -3,765 | 8 | 7 | 6,342 | 0.3 | -447 | -24,374 | 36 | 15 | 6,393 | |
| Alaska | 1,168 | -69 | -2,551 | 10 | 0 | 6,948 | 2.5 | -697 | -14,183 | 89 | 12 | 7,049 | |
| Arizona | 3,276 | -763 | -4,690 | 9 | 1 | 24,250 | 0.9 | -2,121 | -144,698 | 67 | 35 | 24,352 | |
| Arkansas | 1,333 | -132 | -4,151 | 2 | 0 | 12,493 | 1.1 | -1,023 | -24,390 | 43 | 23 | 12,559 | |
| California | 63,988 | -14,733 | -84,225 | 133 | 73 | 535,080 | 3.3 | 42,276 | -1,677,699 | 1,861 | 1,131 | 538,072 | |
| Colorado | 2,016 | 49 | -3,903 | 8 | 6 | 28,661 | 1.1 | -2,516 | -98,351 | 122 | 128 | 28,911 | |
| Connecticut | 2,327 | 24 | -2,290 | 14 | 3 | 29,564 | 1.9 | -2,512 | -107,761 | 94 | 40 | 29,698 | |
| Delaware | 705 | -175 | -1,071 | 1 | 0 | 4,831 | 1.1 | -160 | -19,352 | 16 | 7 | 4,854 | |
| District of Columbia | 3,956 | -3,905 | 2,307 | 17 | 0 | 13,810 | 2.6 | 1,877 | -39,300 | 234 | 11 | 14,055 | |
| Florida | 7,054 | -659 | -35,252 | 49 | 34 | 58,211 | 0.7 | -717 | -279,133 | 252 | 184 | 58,647 | |
| Georgia | 6,319 | 213 | -38,555 | 24 | 14 | 70,152 | 1.7 | 12,505 | -374,887 | 370 | 149 | 70,671 | |
| Hawaii | 2,383 | -1,603 | -2,700 | 2 | 15 | 14,977 | 2.9 | -649 | -96,339 | 99 | 75 | 15,151 | |
| Idaho | 831 | 13 | -2,124 | 8 | 0 | 2,963 | 0.4 | -6 | -6,181 | 12 | 14 | 2,989 | |
| Illinois | 6,927 | -1,365 | -29,340 | 12 | 6 | 240,584 | 4.4 | 11,695 | -243,397 | 932 | 210 | 241,726 | |
| Indiana | 3,432 | -1 | -6,644 | 9 | 5 | 37,195 | 1.3 | -2,859 | -92,343 | 171 | 53 | 37,419 | |
| Iowa | 1,696 | 41 | -2,592 | 8 | 2 | 9,544 | 0.7 | -530 | -42,016 | 37 | 24 | 9,605 | |
| Kansas | 998 | -320 | -6,142 | 1 | 1 | 6,107 | 0.5 | -331 | -30,409 | 28 | 15 | 6,150 | |
| Kentucky | 2,732 | -916 | -2,955 | 0 | 1 | 13,122 | 0.7 | -284 | -81,065 | 77 | 54 | 13,253 | |
| Louisiana | 3,130 | -817 | -10,331 | 3 | 2 | 40,302 | 2.3 | -2,701 | -154,921 | 95 | 10 | 40,407 | |
| Maine | 600 | 93 | -1,102 | 0 | 0 | 5,940 | 1.0 | -836 | -16,953 | 19 | 8 | 5,967 | |
| Maryland | 2,622 | -1,650 | -8,372 | 18 | 5 | 37,873 | 1.6 | -3,360 | -111,649 | 295 | 129 | 38,297 | |
| Massachusetts | 4,626 | -193 | -24,855 | 10 | 8 | 62,162 | 1.9 | 3,209 | -244,085 | 164 | 107 | 62,433 | |
| Michigan | 15,040 | -3,370 | -2,659 | 9 | 9 | 58,830 | 1.5 | -1,893 | -329,014 | 66 | 29 | 58,925 | |
| Minnesota | 4,380 | -1,282 | -5,317 | 8 | 9 | 49,024 | 1.8 | -2,648 | -103,512 | 127 | 75 | 49,226 | |
| Mississippi | 1,204 | -399 | -2,828 | 0 | 2 | 9,680 | 0.9 | -18 | -59,055 | 47 | 14 | 9,741 | |
| Missouri | 2,868 | -2,598 | -6,077 | 4 | 3 | 22,787 | 0.9 | -5,524 | -47,683 | 86 | 17 | 22,890 | |
| Montana | 848 | 159 | -2,624 | 14 | 0 | 3,305 | 0.7 | -185 | -16,049 | 31 | 11 | 3,347 | |
| Nebraska | 1,028 | -30 | -637 | 1 | 0 | 3,943 | 0.4 | -238 | -14,537 | 16 | 3 | 3,962 | |
| Nevada | 2,877 | -770 | -5,064 | 12 | 3 | 32,330 | 2.6 | -2,744 | -141,299 | 104 | 49 | 32,483 | |
| New Hampshire | 417 | -19 | -1,666 | 2 | 1 | 3,005 | 0.5 | -221 | -29,746 | 6 | 3 | 3,014 | |
| New Jersey | 7,933 | 446 | -15,747 | 21 | 11 | 100,238 | 2.7 | -6,426 | -182,743 | 186 | 185 | 100,609 | |
| New Mexico | 1,452 | -224 | -1,862 | 25 | 0 | 14,319 | 1.9 | -533 | -56,976 | 112 | 61 | 14,492 | |
| New York | 14,165 | -1,227 | -49,991 | 14 | 16 | 191,897 | 2.3 | -22,334 | -752,110 | 255 | 257 | 192,409 | |
| North Carolina | 3,687 | -233 | -11,847 | 7 | 0 | 32,325 | 0.8 | -2,345 | -95,122 | 72 | 81 | 32,478 | |
| North Dakota | 251 | 7 | -590 | 0 | 0 | 1,394 | 0.4 | -137 | -8,881 | 10 | 1 | 1,405 | |
| Ohio | 9,259 | -953 | -9,375 | 13 | 17 | 47,026 | 0.9 | -31,380 | -191,738 | 87 | 85 | 47,198 | |
| Oklahoma | 2,312 | 222 | -3,468 | 13 | 6 | 18,527 | 1.2 | -867 | -69,600 | 129 | 78 | 18,734 | |
| Oregon | 4,390 | -1,817 | -18 | 25 | 8 | 42,968 | 2.4 | -6,363 | -84,707 | 202 | 94 | 43,264 | |
| Pennsylvania | 13,295 | 1,707 | -6,549 | 54 | 16 | 132,311 | 2.5 | 9,981 | -315,629 | 260 | 102 | 132,673 | |
| Puerto Rico | 910 | -60 | -355 | 4 | 1 | 35,223 | 4.3 | -1,576 | -55,482 | 266 | 89 | 35,578 | |
| Rhode Island | 975 | -2 | -1,826 | 2 | 1 | 9,213 | 2.1 | -274 | -17,666 | 39 | 23 | 9,275 | |
| South Carolina | 1,160 | 28 | -3,748 | 3 | 8 | 20,659 | 1.0 | -1,622 | -55,309 | 39 | 81 | 20,779 | |
| South Dakota | 132 | 12 | -312 | 3 | 2 | 734 | 0.2 | -104 | -4,344 | 14 | 2 | 750 | |
| Tennessee | 4,881 | 666 | -5,196 | 8 | 8 | 25,567 | 0.8 | -6,073 | -114,213 | 57 | 47 | 25,671 | |
| Texas | 19,110 | -2,376 | -23,228 | 104 | 113 | 131,490 | 1.1 | -18,827 | -671,535 | 616 | 1,159 | 133,265 | |
| Utah | 1,184 | -39 | -1,391 | 14 | 5 | 6,277 | 0.4 | -188 | -17,285 | 44 | 14 | 6,335 | |
| Vermont | 333 | -31 | -273 | 0 | 0 | 2,885 | 1.0 | -213 | -14,791 | 0 | 0 | 2,885 | |
| Virgin Islands | 141 | 17 | -114 | 0 | 0 | 1,016 | 2.8 | 258 | -2,174 | 0 | 0 | 1,016 | |
| Virginia | 9,360 | 643 | -1,483 | 14 | 10 | 44,019 | 1.2 | -3,222 | -116,745 | 148 | 199 | 44,366 | |
| Washington | 4,989 | -107 | -13,539 | 13 | 27 | 62,279 | 2.0 | -7,363 | -145,738 | 221 | 327 | 62,827 | |
| West Virginia | 749 | -73 | -1,209 | 0 | 3 | 6,939 | 1.1 | -647 | -28,281 | 48 | 36 | 7,023 | |
| Wisconsin | 5,856 | -276 | -6,060 | 7 | 5 | 31,624 | 1.2 | -1,779 | -80,989 | 71 | 15 | 31,710 | |
| Wyoming | 343 | 22 | -416 | 2 | 0 | 1,382 | 0.6 | 65 | -5,441 | 7 | 2 | 1,391 | |
| Totals | 261,615 | -38,858 | -460,772 | 742 | 467 | 2,404,327 | 1.8 | -65,627 | -7,751,880 | 8,479 | 5,573 | 2,418,379 | |

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 OCTOBER 2, 2021

STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

| State | Change | State Supplied Comment |
|--------------|---------------|--|
| PA | +1,707 | Layoffs in the health care and social assistance, administrative and support and waste management and remediation services, and accommodations and food services industries. |

STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

| State | Change | State Supplied Comment |
|--------------|---------------|--|
| CA | -14,733 | No comment. |
| DC | -3,905 | No comment. |
| MI | -3,370 | Fewer layoffs in the wholesale trade and manufacturing industries. |
| MO | -2,598 | Fewer layoffs in the manufacturing, transportation and warehousing, and administrative and support and waste management and remediation services industries. |
| TX | -2,376 | No comment. |
| OR | -1,817 | No comment. |
| MD | -1,650 | No comment. |
| HI | -1,603 | No comment. |
| IL | -1,365 | No comment. |
| MN | -1,282 | No comment. |
| NY | -1,227 | 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.

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