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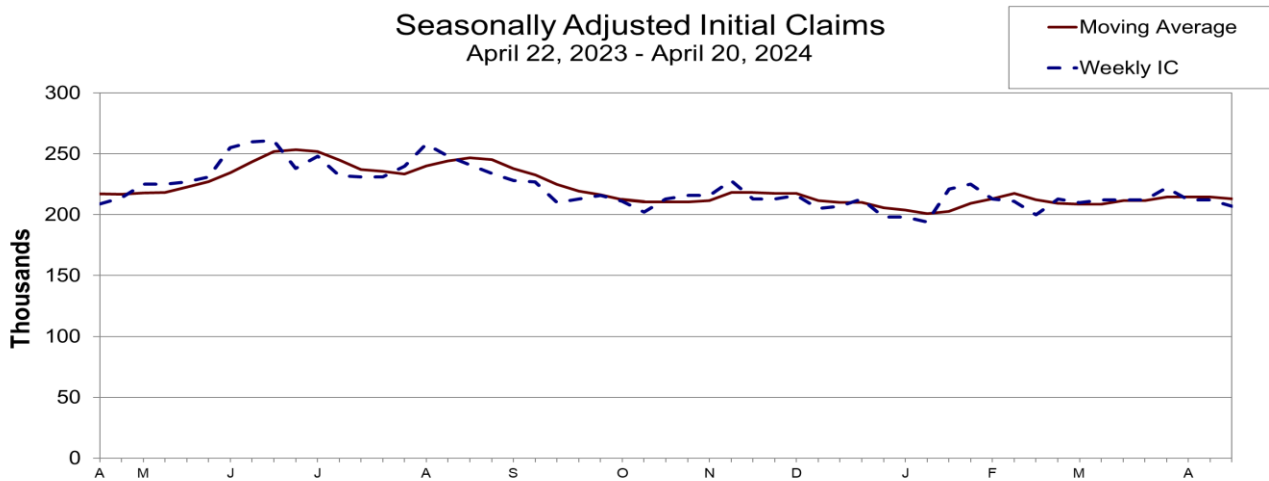
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

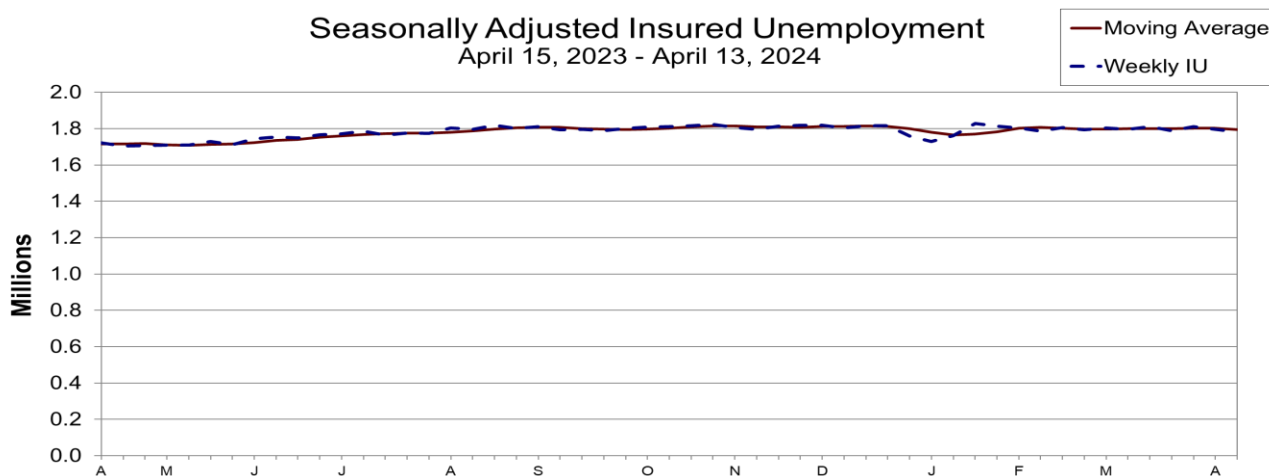
In the week ending April 20, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 207,000, a decrease of 5,000 from the previous week's unrevised level of 212,000. The 4-week moving average was 213,250, a decrease of 1,250 from the previous week's unrevised average of 214,500.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 1.2 percent for the week ending April 13, unchanged from the previous week's unrevised rate. The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending April 13 was 1,781,000, a decrease of 15,000 from the previous week's revised level. The previous week's level was revised down by 16,000 from 1,812,000 to 1,796,000. The 4-week moving average was 1,794,000, a decrease of 7,250 from the previous week's revised average. The previous week's average was revised down by 4,000 from 1,805,250 to 1,801,250.

Seasonally Adjusted Initial Claims
April 22, 2023 - April 20, 2024



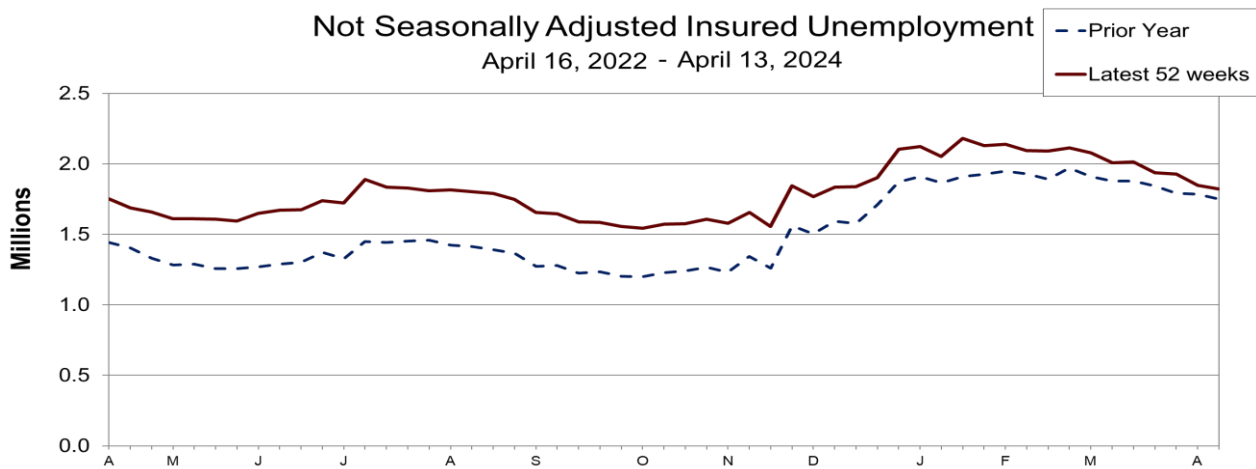
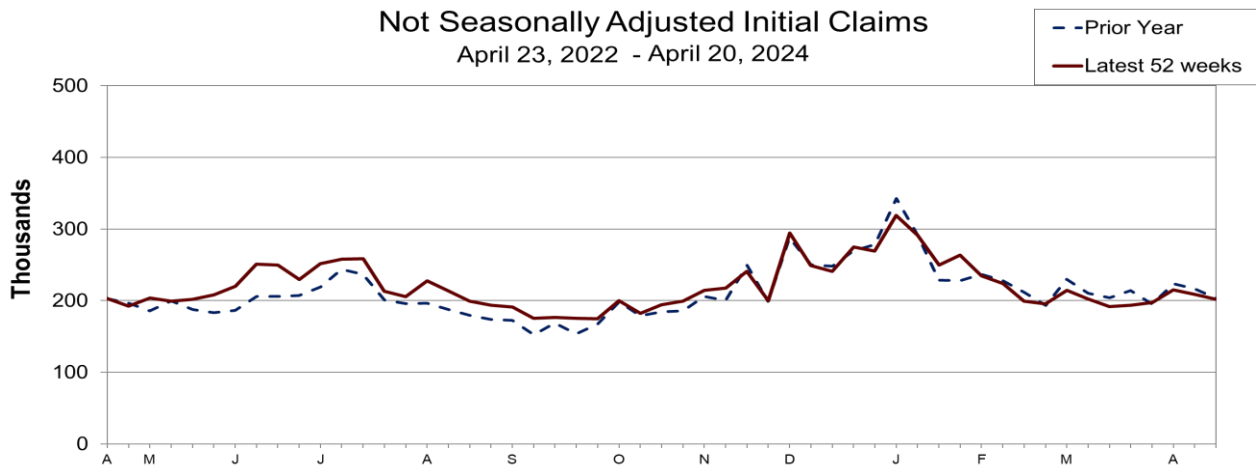
Seasonally Adjusted Insured Unemployment
April 15, 2023 - April 13, 2024



UNADJUSTED DATA

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 201,619 in the week ending April 20, a decrease of 7,363 (or -3.5 percent) from the previous week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 2,549 (or -1.2 percent) from the previous week. There were 203,233 initial claims in the comparable week in 2023.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 1.2 percent during the week ending April 13, unchanged from the prior week. The advance unadjusted level of insured unemployment in state programs totaled 1,820,655, a decrease of 27,685 (or -1.5 percent) from the preceding week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 12,574 (or -0.7 percent) from the previous week. A year earlier the rate was 1.2 percent and the volume was 1,749,975.



The total number of continued weeks claimed for benefits in all programs for the week ending April 6 was 1,873,546, a decrease of 79,491 from the previous week. There were 1,815,498 weekly claims filed for benefits in all programs in the comparable week in 2023.

No state was triggered "on" the Extended Benefits program during the week ending April 6.

Initial claims for UI benefits filed by former Federal civilian employees totaled 361 in the week ending April 13, an increase of 34 from the prior week. There were 378 initial claims filed by newly discharged veterans, a decrease of 57 from the preceding week.

There were 5,273 continued weeks claimed filed by former Federal civilian employees the week ending April 6, a decrease of 273 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 4,345, a decrease of 330 from the prior week.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending April 6 were in New Jersey (2.7), California (2.3), Rhode Island (2.1), Massachusetts (2.0), Minnesota (2.0), Illinois (1.9), New York (1.9), Pennsylvania (1.7), Washington (1.7), Alaska (1.6), Nevada (1.6), and Puerto Rico (1.6).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending April 13 were in California (+2,405), Connecticut (+1,613), Georgia (+1,419), Oregon (+1,397), and New York (+506), while the largest decreases were in New Jersey (-4,370), Wisconsin (-1,843), Pennsylvania (-1,604), Illinois (-1,573), and Minnesota (-1,274).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

WEEK ENDING	April 20	April 13	Change	April 6	Prior Year¹
Initial Claims (SA)	207,000	212,000	-5,000	212,000	209,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	201,619	208,982	-7,363	215,265	203,233
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	213,250	214,500	-1,250	214,500	217,250

WEEK ENDING	April 13	April 6	Change	March 30	Prior Year¹
Insured Unemployment (SA)	1,781,000	1,796,000	-15,000	1,810,000	1,722,000
Insured Unemployment (NSA)	1,820,655	1,848,340	-27,685	1,928,015	1,749,975
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	1,794,000	1,801,250	-7,250	1,801,000	1,714,750
Insured Unemployment Rate (SA) ²	1.2%	1.2%	0.0	1.2%	1.2%
Insured Unemployment Rate (NSA) ²	1.2%	1.2%	0.0	1.3%	1.2%

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	April 13	April 6	Change	Prior Year¹
Federal Employees (UCFE)	361	327	+34	379
Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX)	378	435	-57	334

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

WEEK ENDING	April 6	March 30	Change	Prior Year¹
Regular State	1,843,154	1,923,021	-79,867	1,782,655
Federal Employees	5,273	5,546	-273	5,611
Newly Discharged Veterans	4,345	4,675	-330	4,049
Extended Benefits ³	247	309	-62	1,295
State Additional Benefits ⁴	2,715	2,612	+103	1,864
STC / Workshare ⁵	17,812	16,874	+938	20,024
TOTAL	1,873,546	1,953,037	-79,491	1,815,498

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 150,520,106 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 April 20			Insured Unemployment For Week Ended April 13		
	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Advance	Prior Wk	Change
Alabama	2,331	2,264	67	7,793	8,237	-444
Alaska	874	662	212	4,751	4,944	-193
Arizona	4,468	4,717	-249	22,147	22,585	-438
Arkansas	1,224	1,186	38	7,656	7,970	-314
California	45,693	44,811	882	416,721	400,016	16,705
Colorado	3,310	2,803	507	30,386	26,818	3,568
Connecticut	4,271	4,550	-279	27,166	24,311	2,855
Delaware	211	225	-14	5,287	5,463	-176
District of Columbia	482	448	34	5,213	5,358	-145
Florida	6,068	6,215	-147	31,478	34,971	-3,493
Georgia	4,570	5,867	-1,297	28,328	29,961	-1,633
Hawaii	1,040	1,079	-39	6,214	6,050	164
Idaho	948	915	33	6,268	7,169	-901
Illinois	7,460	7,918	-458	110,746	113,703	-2,957
Indiana	2,477	3,083	-606	21,791	23,195	-1,404
Iowa	1,636	1,408	228	8,174	10,091	-1,917
Kansas	1,111	992	119	4,720	4,546	174
Kentucky	1,414	1,479	-65	8,671	8,127	544
Louisiana	1,564	1,597	-33	9,832	11,001	-1,169
Maine	716	594	122	7,061	7,413	-352
Maryland	1,970	2,611	-641	23,002	23,474	-472
Massachusetts	8,103	4,538	3,565	65,605	72,630	-7,025
Michigan	4,829	4,780	49	52,237	54,843	-2,606
Minnesota	3,061	3,246	-185	55,638	58,096	-2,458
Mississippi	889	1,055	-166	5,141	5,744	-603
Missouri	2,268	2,448	-180	15,721	16,284	-563
Montana	563	509	54	6,000	6,657	-657
Nebraska	494	585	-91	4,279	4,660	-381
Nevada	2,314	2,294	20	22,134	23,314	-1,180
New Hampshire	295	448	-153	3,217	3,604	-387
New Jersey	8,567	9,586	-1,019	104,436	112,927	-8,491
New Mexico	781	750	31	9,810	9,781	29
New York	12,920	17,094	-4,174	163,599	172,502	-8,903
North Carolina	2,979	2,940	39	18,594	19,536	-942
North Dakota	255	270	-15	3,107	3,726	-619
Ohio	4,606	4,542	64	43,229	46,612	-3,383
Oklahoma	1,172	1,156	16	8,989	9,081	-92
Oregon	5,457	6,801	-1,344	27,993	26,682	1,311
Pennsylvania	8,794	11,590	-2,796	89,241	99,683	-10,442
Puerto Rico	1,046	1,132	-86	12,113	14,689	-2,576
Rhode Island	2,462	743	1,719	9,233	9,980	-747
South Carolina	2,262	2,609	-347	13,198	13,710	-512
South Dakota	157	186	-29	1,743	1,941	-198
Tennessee	3,676	3,539	137	17,257	16,691	566
Texas	15,436	15,075	361	141,973	127,633	14,340
Utah	1,657	1,517	140	11,324	11,752	-428
Vermont	449	429	20	3,069	2,882	187
Virgin Islands	9	23	-14	218	248	-30
Virginia	2,337	2,238	99	16,387	15,263	1,124
Washington	5,092	5,571	-479	62,965	60,730	2,235
West Virginia	829	807	22	9,165	8,712	453
Wisconsin	3,623	4,584	-961	27,404	30,387	-2,983
Wyoming	399	473	-74	2,231	1,957	274
US Total	201,619	208,982	-7,363	1,820,655	1,848,340	-27,685

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	
April 15, 2023	224	4	223.00	1,722	-15	1,714.75	1.2
April 22, 2023	209	-15	217.25	1,705	-17	1,715.00	1.2
April 29, 2023	214	5	216.75	1,706	1	1,717.50	1.2
May 6, 2023	225	11	218.00	1,710	4	1,710.75	1.2
May 13, 2023	225	0	218.25	1,710	0	1,707.75	1.2
May 20, 2023	227	2	222.75	1,729	19	1,713.75	1.2
May 27, 2023	231	4	227.00	1,712	-17	1,715.25	1.2
June 3, 2023	255	24	234.50	1,744	32	1,723.75	1.2
June 10, 2023	260	5	243.25	1,753	9	1,734.50	1.2
June 17, 2023	261	1	251.75	1,750	-3	1,739.75	1.2
June 24, 2023	238	-23	253.50	1,767	17	1,753.50	1.2
July 1, 2023	248	10	251.75	1,770	3	1,760.00	1.2
July 8, 2023	232	-16	244.75	1,786	16	1,768.25	1.2
July 15, 2023	231	-1	237.25	1,765	-21	1,772.00	1.2
July 22, 2023	231	0	235.50	1,776	11	1,774.25	1.2
July 29, 2023	240	9	233.50	1,773	-3	1,775.00	1.2
August 5, 2023	258	18	240.00	1,803	30	1,779.25	1.2
August 12, 2023	248	-10	244.25	1,797	-6	1,787.25	1.2
August 19, 2023	241	-7	246.75	1,819	22	1,798.00	1.2
August 26, 2023	234	-7	245.25	1,802	-17	1,805.25	1.2
September 2, 2023	228	-6	237.75	1,810	8	1,807.00	1.2
September 9, 2023	227	-1	232.50	1,793	-17	1,806.00	1.2
September 16, 2023	210	-17	224.75	1,795	2	1,800.00	1.2
September 23, 2023	213	3	219.50	1,789	-6	1,796.75	1.2
September 30, 2023	216	3	216.50	1,800	11	1,794.25	1.2
October 7, 2023	211	-5	212.50	1,808	8	1,798.00	1.2
October 14, 2023	202	-9	210.50	1,810	2	1,801.75	1.2
October 21, 2023	213	11	210.50	1,816	6	1,808.50	1.2
October 28, 2023	216	3	210.50	1,823	7	1,814.25	1.2
November 4, 2023	216	0	211.75	1,807	-16	1,814.00	1.2
November 11, 2023	228	12	218.25	1,795	-12	1,810.25	1.2
November 18, 2023	213	-15	218.25	1,813	18	1,809.50	1.2
November 25, 2023	213	0	217.50	1,818	5	1,808.25	1.2
December 2, 2023	216	3	217.50	1,818	0	1,811.00	1.2
December 9, 2023	205	-11	211.75	1,803	-15	1,813.00	1.2
December 16, 2023	207	2	210.25	1,817	14	1,814.00	1.2
December 23, 2023	213	6	210.25	1,815	-2	1,813.25	1.2
December 30, 2023	198	-15	205.75	1,759	-56	1,798.50	1.2
January 6, 2024	198	0	204.00	1,728	-31	1,779.75	1.2
January 13, 2024	194	-4	200.75	1,761	33	1,765.75	1.2
January 20, 2024	221	27	202.75	1,829	68	1,769.25	1.2
January 27, 2024	225	4	209.50	1,813	-16	1,782.75	1.2
February 3, 2024	213	-12	213.25	1,803	-10	1,801.50	1.2
February 10, 2024	211	-2	217.50	1,787	-16	1,808.00	1.2
February 17, 2024	200	-11	212.25	1,805	18	1,802.00	1.2
February 24, 2024	213	13	209.25	1,794	-11	1,797.25	1.2
March 2, 2024	210	-3	208.50	1,803	9	1,797.25	1.2
March 9, 2024	212	2	208.75	1,795	-8	1,799.25	1.2
March 16, 2024	212	0	211.75	1,810	15	1,800.50	1.2
March 23, 2024	212	0	211.50	1,789	-21	1,799.25	1.2
March 30, 2024	222	10	214.50	1,810	21	1,801.00	1.2
April 6, 2024	212	-10	214.50	1,796	-14	1,801.25	1.2
April 13, 2024	212	0	214.50	1,781	-15	1,794.00	1.2
April 20, 2024	207	-5	213.25				

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED DURING WEEK ENDED
APRIL 13

INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT FOR WEEK ENDED
APRIL 6

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	2,264	257	143	4	5	8,237	0.4	-463	-342	25	22	8,284
Alaska	662	40	0	5	2	4,944	1.6	-146	-140	56	4	5,004
Arizona	4,717	444	516	4	2	22,585	0.7	515	1,822	87	41	22,713
Arkansas	1,186	-37	-216	1	0	7,970	0.6	-532	1,157	26	10	8,006
California	44,811	2,405	-1,323	84	84	400,016	2.3	-18,897	-26,497	1,001	1,217	402,234
Colorado	2,803	-174	937	3	10	26,818	1.0	-1,477	5,716	103	138	27,059
Connecticut	4,550	1,613	-472	3	0	24,311	1.5	-2,473	2,361	57	25	24,393
Delaware	225	-383	-492	1	0	5,463	1.2	23	1,516	15	6	5,484
District of Columbia	448	-46	95	5	0	5,358	0.9	-132	-247	120	5	5,483
Florida	6,215	-170	680	17	19	34,971	0.4	216	-1,089	106	81	35,158
Georgia	5,867	1,419	-1,576	29	17	29,961	0.6	425	-2,936	194	93	30,248
Hawaii	1,079	-141	-80	2	9	6,050	1.0	-429	135	46	59	6,155
Idaho	915	-139	-130	2	0	7,169	0.9	-726	-20	48	13	7,230
Illinois	7,918	-1,573	-1,008	9	9	113,703	1.9	-1,132	9,437	273	118	114,094
Indiana	3,083	440	-211	5	5	23,195	0.7	-780	-2,052	30	28	23,253
Iowa	1,408	-84	200	2	1	10,091	0.7	-3,500	500	12	2	10,105
Kansas	992	-66	-259	0	0	4,546	0.3	-151	98	30	17	4,593
Kentucky	1,479	-682	-45	1	0	8,127	0.4	-364	189	29	30	8,186
Louisiana	1,597	-86	-349	2	4	11,001	0.6	59	-150	30	10	11,041
Maine	594	62	-69	0	0	7,413	1.2	-223	204	13	9	7,435
Maryland	2,611	-350	502	5	4	23,474	0.9	-1,028	2,874	118	52	23,644
Massachusetts	4,538	-492	378	6	5	72,630	2.0	-2,833	-277	123	49	72,802
Michigan	4,780	-451	260	3	2	54,843	1.3	-5,874	126	55	28	54,926
Minnesota	3,246	-1,274	32	4	3	58,096	2.0	-8,617	2,987	67	38	58,201
Mississippi	1,055	99	-23	1	0	5,744	0.5	-112	207	23	12	5,779
Missouri	2,448	-392	207	1	0	16,284	0.6	-1,636	2,088	52	18	16,354
Montana	509	-27	-99	2	0	6,657	1.4	-1,222	407	172	3	6,832
Nebraska	585	-21	115	1	0	4,660	0.5	-500	1,013	19	4	4,683
Nevada	2,294	442	217	1	1	23,314	1.6	-141	4,146	62	53	23,429
New Hampshire	448	44	70	3	1	3,604	0.5	-74	926	2	1	3,607
New Jersey	9,586	-4,370	-1,547	23	12	112,927	2.7	4,020	15,680	220	173	113,320
New Mexico	750	18	68	0	2	9,781	1.2	-216	614	63	29	9,873
New York	17,094	506	-4,299	13	13	172,502	1.9	-2,061	8,026	268	222	172,992
North Carolina	2,940	-90	-326	1	3	19,536	0.4	-355	723	48	103	19,687
North Dakota	270	-23	20	4	0	3,726	0.9	-731	-147	7	5	3,738
Ohio	4,542	-1,156	-4,507	5	4	46,612	0.9	-1,604	-2,323	74	59	46,745
Oklahoma	1,156	-86	-6	5	5	9,081	0.6	-110	-1,036	29	34	9,144
Oregon	6,801	1,397	1,930	4	3	26,682	1.4	-1,825	-5,894	208	23	26,913
Pennsylvania	11,590	-1,604	2,210	18	15	99,683	1.7	-3,064	18,412	218	135	100,036
Puerto Rico	1,132	-48	-243	3	3	14,689	1.6	207	-77	129	68	14,886
Rhode Island	743	127	-1,435	0	3	9,980	2.1	-797	1,179	42	25	10,047
South Carolina	2,609	18	-270	2	7	13,710	0.6	128	297	29	51	13,790
South Dakota	186	-8	56	10	0	1,941	0.4	-346	-223	17	1	1,959
Tennessee	3,539	377	1,248	0	4	16,691	0.5	-684	2,940	37	44	16,772
Texas	15,075	-244	429	46	77	127,633	1.0	-15,628	5,402	389	707	128,729
Utah	1,517	225	-146	4	6	11,752	0.7	-825	79	64	14	11,830
Vermont	429	6	70	0	0	2,882	1.0	-34	-213	3	1	2,886
Virgin Islands	23	1	-1	0	0	248	0.7	-8	98	0	2	250
Virginia	2,238	-50	478	3	9	15,263	0.4	-88	3,591	81	80	15,424
Washington	5,571	-341	67	6	22	60,730	1.7	-566	6,634	252	340	61,322
West Virginia	807	72	229	2	3	8,712	1.3	695	1,834	33	22	8,767
Wisconsin	4,584	-1,843	262	5	4	30,387	1.1	-3,366	3,043	37	14	30,438
Wyoming	473	156	-45	1	0	1,957	0.7	-193	-239	31	7	1,995
Totals	208,982	-6,283	-7,758	361	378	1,848,340	1.2	-79,675	62,559	5,273	4,345	1,857,958

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 APRIL 13, 2024

STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
CA	+2,405	No comment.
CT	+1,613	No comment.
GA	+1,419	Layoffs in manufacturing; administrative and support and waste management and remediation services; trade; professional, scientific, and technical services; and in health care and social assistance industries.
OR	+1,397	No comment.

STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
NJ	-4,370	No comment.
WI	-1,843	Fewer layoffs in transportation and warehousing and in construction industries.
PA	-1,604	Fewer layoffs in transportation and warehousing, manufacturing, accommodation and food services, and in construction industries.
IL	-1,573	No comment.
MN	-1,274	Fewer layoffs in construction industry.
OH	-1,156	Fewer layoffs in manufacturing industry.

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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