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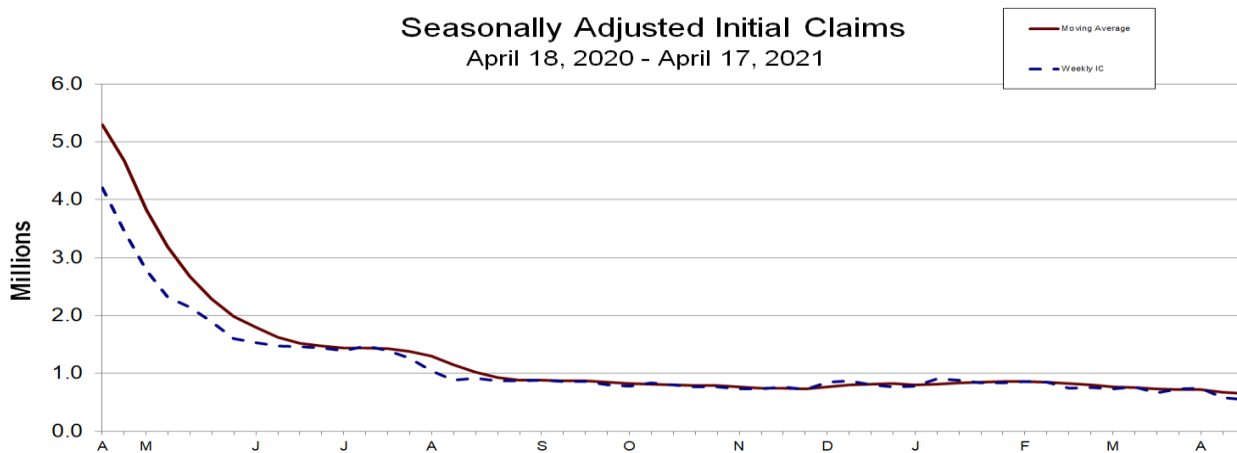
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

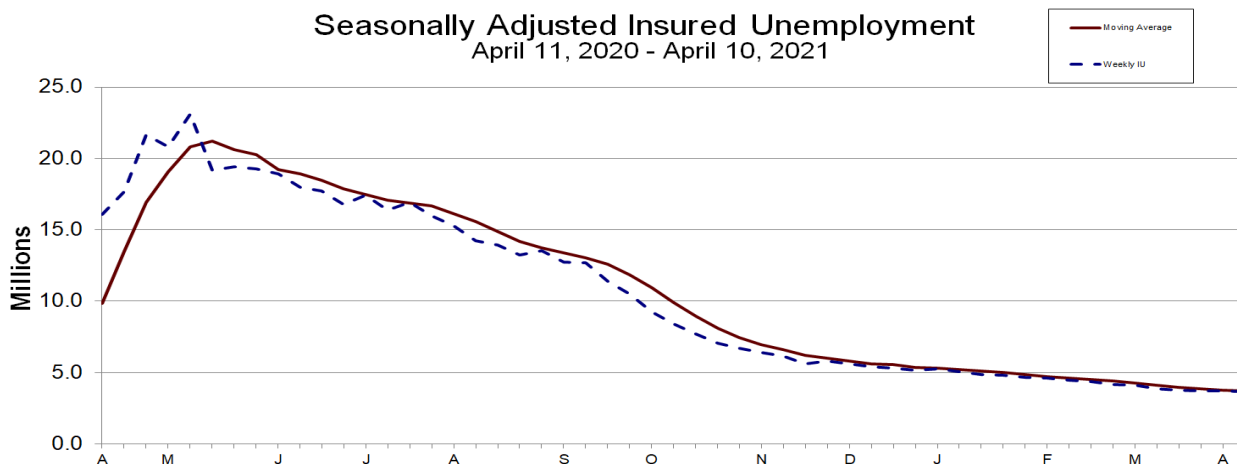
In the week ending April 17, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 547,000, a decrease of 39,000 from the previous week's revised level. This is the lowest level for initial claims since March 14, 2020 when it was 256,000. The previous week's level was revised up by 10,000 from 576,000 to 586,000. The 4-week moving average was 651,000, a decrease of 27,750 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 down by 4,250 from 683,000 to 678,750.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 2.6 percent for the week ending April 10, 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 April 10 was 3,674,000, a decrease of 34,000 from the previous week's revised level. This is the lowest level for insured unemployment since March 21, 2020 when it was 3,094,000. The previous week's level was revised down by 23,000 from 3,731,000 to 3,708,000. The 4-week moving average was 3,713,000, a decrease of 41,750 from the previous week's revised average. This is the lowest level for this average since March 28, 2020 when it was 3,611,750. The previous week's average was revised down by 8,250 from 3,763,000 to 3,754,750.

Seasonally Adjusted Initial Claims
April 18, 2020 - April 17, 2021



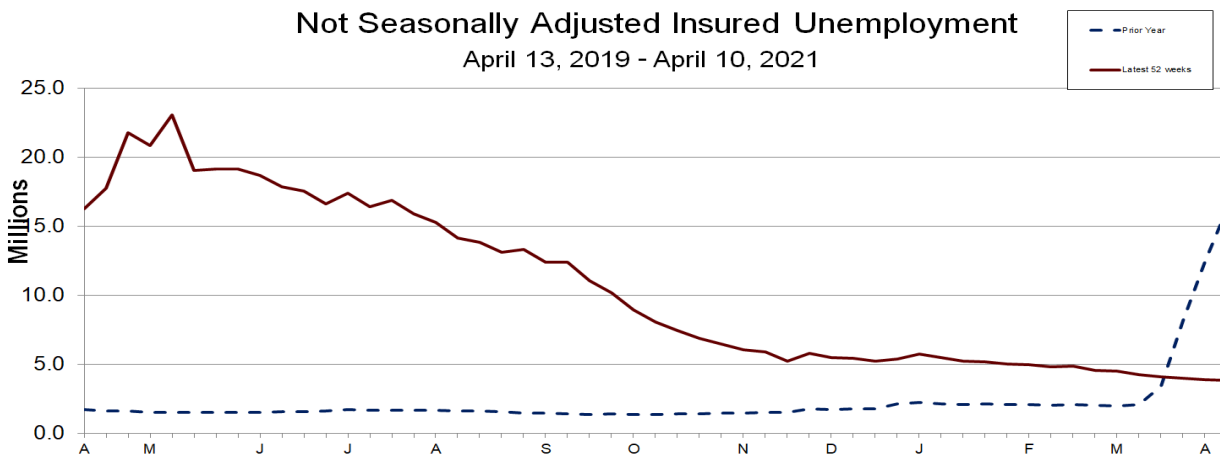
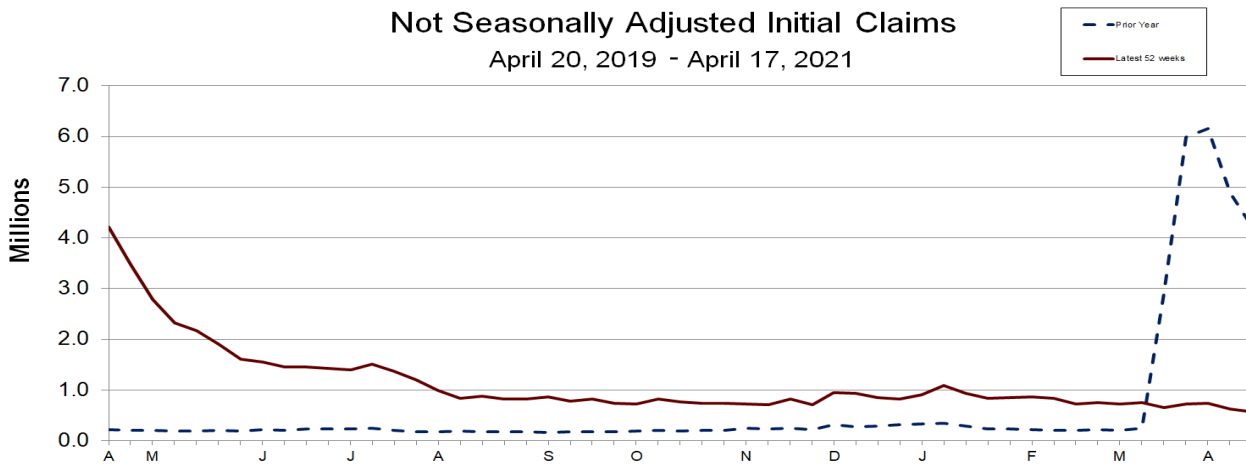
Seasonally Adjusted Insured Unemployment
April 11, 2020 - April 10, 2021



UNADJUSTED DATA

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 566,479 in the week ending April 17, a decrease of 56,554 (or -9.1 percent) from the previous week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 17,548 (or -2.8 percent) from the previous week. There were 4,221,556 initial claims in the comparable week in 2020. In addition, for the week ending April 17, 52 states reported 133,319 initial claims for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 2.8 percent during the week ending April 10, unchanged from the prior week. The advance unadjusted level of insured unemployment in state programs totaled 3,862,890, a decrease of 50,774 (or -1.3 percent) from the preceding week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 17,145 (or -0.4 percent) from the previous week. A year earlier the rate was 11.2 percent and the volume was 16,257,202.



The total number of continued weeks claimed for benefits in all programs for the week ending April 3 was 17,405,094, an increase of 491,674 from the previous week. There were 12,492,421 weekly claims filed for benefits in all programs in the comparable week in 2020.

During the week ending April 3, Extended Benefits were available in the following 15 states: Alaska, California, Colorado, Connecticut, District of Columbia, Illinois, Massachusetts, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Texas, and the Virgin Islands.

Initial claims for UI benefits filed by former Federal civilian employees totaled 1,153 in the week ending April 10, an increase of 41 from the prior week. There were 580 initial claims filed by newly discharged veterans, an increase of 10 from the preceding week.

There were 15,896 continued weeks claimed filed by former Federal civilian employees the week ending April 3, a decrease of 723 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 7,737, a decrease of 114 from the prior week.

During the week ending April 3, 51 states reported 7,309,604 continued weekly claims for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance benefits and 51 states reported 5,605,935 continued claims for Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation benefits.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending April 3 were in Nevada (5.6), Connecticut (5.2), Alaska (5.1), New York (4.4), Illinois (4.2), Pennsylvania (4.2), District of Columbia (4.1), Rhode Island (4.0), Vermont (4.0), and California (3.7).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending April 10 were in New York (+16,028), Florida (+9,377), Alabama (+5,517), Washington (+5,380), and Georgia (+4,759), while the largest decreases were in California (-76,082), Virginia (-23,492), Ohio (-21,831), Texas (-17,436), and Kentucky (-15,424).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

WEEK ENDING	April 17	April 10	Change	April 3	Prior Year¹
Initial Claims (SA)	547,000	586,000	-39,000	742,000	4,202,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	566,479	623,033	-56,554	738,734	4,221,556
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	651,000	678,750	-27,750	723,500	5,301,250

WEEK ENDING	April 10	April 3	Change	March 27	Prior Year¹
Insured Unemployment (SA)	3,674,000	3,708,000	-34,000	3,717,000	16,070,000
Insured Unemployment (NSA)	3,862,890	3,913,664	-50,774	4,015,277	16,257,202
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	3,713,000	3,754,750	-41,750	3,858,500	9,823,250
Insured Unemployment Rate (SA) ²	2.6%	2.7%	-0.1	2.6%	11.0%
Insured Unemployment Rate (NSA) ²	2.8%	2.8%	0.0	2.8%	11.2%

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	April 17	April 10	Change	April 3
Pandemic Unemployment Assistance	133,319	131,721	+1,598	152,328

WEEK ENDING	April 10	April 3	Change	Prior Year¹
Federal Employees (UCFE)	1,153	1,112	+41	2,866
Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX)	580	570	+10	1,827

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

WEEK ENDING	April 3	March 27	Change	Prior Year¹
Regular State	3,886,143	3,987,627	-101,484	12,428,177
Federal Employees	15,896	16,619	-723	11,738
Newly Discharged Veterans	7,737	7,851	-114	7,099
Pandemic Unemployment Assistance ³	7,309,604	7,044,376	+265,228	NA
Pandemic Emergency UC ⁴	5,605,935	5,158,231	+447,704	NA
Extended Benefits ⁵	492,999	612,698	-119,699	138
State Additional Benefits ⁶	1,797	2,154	-357	5,406
STC / Workshare ⁷	84,983	83,864	+1,119	39,863
TOTAL⁸	17,405,094	16,913,420	+491,674	12,492,421

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 139,248,565 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 April 17			Insured Unemployment For Week Ended April 10		
	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Advance	Prior Wk	Change
Alabama	8,334	10,909	-2,575	17,453	19,237	-1,784
Alaska	4,204	4,553	-349	13,925	14,508	-583
Arizona	5,587	6,202	-615	49,432	49,853	-421
Arkansas	2,688	3,374	-686	16,631	19,541	-2,910
California	72,415	69,458	2,957	583,104	603,980	-20,876
Colorado	7,805	8,946	-1,141	65,005	70,271	-5,266
Connecticut	7,210	6,472	738	84,325	80,048	4,277
Delaware	3,750	3,802	-52	11,026	10,149	877
District of Columbia	3,089	3,627	-538	20,960	22,453	-1,493
Florida	16,212	24,402	-8,190	113,419	129,186	-15,767
Georgia	30,313	38,382	-8,069	140,679	139,056	1,623
Hawaii	3,607	3,900	-293	17,979	17,922	57
Idaho	4,183	6,229	-2,046	9,606	10,612	-1,006
Illinois	13,142	18,986	-5,844	240,819	236,986	3,833
Indiana	15,827	9,542	6,285	57,636	57,103	533
Iowa	7,255	5,005	2,250	33,546	33,500	46
Kansas	1,711	2,138	-427	9,183	9,235	-52
Kentucky	5,931	5,999	-68	14,864	24,623	-9,759
Louisiana	7,785	9,809	-2,024	50,760	50,796	-36
Maine	1,587	2,060	-473	14,186	15,344	-1,158
Maryland	6,723	8,727	-2,004	56,198	46,783	9,415
Massachusetts	12,954	15,131	-2,177	96,677	111,529	-14,852
Michigan	21,861	16,470	5,391	100,622	107,743	-7,121
Minnesota	8,009	5,481	2,528	97,633	99,755	-2,122
Mississippi	3,544	4,423	-879	26,558	26,953	-395
Missouri	9,971	11,435	-1,464	49,134	48,548	586
Montana	1,653	2,082	-429	11,191	11,725	-534
Nebraska	1,524	1,931	-407	8,442	9,483	-1,041
Nevada	11,054	10,985	69	73,276	71,737	1,539
New Hampshire	1,759	1,640	119	20,341	23,365	-3,024
New Jersey	9,529	11,346	-1,817	123,231	123,723	-492
New Mexico	4,597	5,513	-916	27,743	27,708	35
New York	41,179	58,495	-17,316	403,494	381,609	21,885
North Carolina	7,978	7,998	-20	44,721	47,347	-2,626
North Dakota	1,970	2,047	-77	6,414	6,849	-435
Ohio	20,913	23,329	-2,416	127,133	142,930	-15,797
Oklahoma	16,034	17,997	-1,963	31,976	25,593	6,383
Oregon	6,829	8,379	-1,550	59,600	60,109	-509
Pennsylvania	21,561	22,454	-893	211,803	224,696	-12,893
Puerto Rico	2,032	2,302	-270	24,557	27,899	-3,342
Rhode Island	5,546	4,973	573	17,682	17,887	-205
South Carolina	4,921	5,131	-210	39,100	38,434	666
South Dakota	268	290	-22	3,064	3,138	-74
Tennessee	13,291	11,421	1,870	47,232	47,568	-336
Texas	43,195	66,552	-23,357	288,370	277,388	10,982
Utah	8,413	4,352	4,061	11,833	12,242	-409
Vermont	2,507	2,252	255	11,991	11,407	584
Virgin Islands	134	130	4	1,214	1,358	-144
Virginia	14,866	5,034	9,832	63,208	57,371	5,837
Washington	13,293	17,601	-4,308	93,310	90,520	2,790
West Virginia	5,100	5,533	-433	19,197	18,746	451
Wisconsin	18,920	16,511	2,409	97,081	92,947	4,134
Wyoming	1,716	1,293	423	4,326	4,171	155
US Total	566,479	623,033	-56,554	3,862,890	3,913,664	-50,774

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 11, 2020	4,869	-1,280	4,981.50	16,070	3,809	9,823.25	11.0
April 18, 2020	4,202	-667	5,301.25	17,656	1,586	13,463.75	12.1
April 25, 2020	3,451	-751	4,667.75	21,664	4,008	16,912.75	14.9
May 2, 2020	2,784	-667	3,826.50	20,823	-841	19,053.25	14.3
May 9, 2020	2,315	-469	3,188.00	23,128	2,305	20,817.75	15.9
May 16, 2020	2,149	-166	2,674.75	19,181	-3,947	21,199.00	13.2
May 23, 2020	1,887	-262	2,283.75	19,396	215	20,632.00	13.3
May 30, 2020	1,605	-282	1,989.00	19,287	-109	20,248.00	13.2
June 6, 2020	1,537	-68	1,794.50	18,927	-360	19,197.75	13.0
June 13, 2020	1,472	-65	1,625.25	17,993	-934	18,900.75	12.4
June 20, 2020	1,460	-12	1,518.50	17,713	-280	18,480.00	12.2
June 27, 2020	1,436	-24	1,476.25	16,780	-933	17,853.25	11.5
July 4, 2020	1,398	-38	1,441.50	17,413	633	17,474.75	11.9
July 11, 2020	1,479	81	1,443.25	16,385	-1,028	17,072.75	11.2
July 18, 2020	1,398	-81	1,427.75	16,913	528	16,872.75	11.6
July 25, 2020	1,262	-136	1,384.25	15,964	-949	16,668.75	10.9
August 1, 2020	1,043	-219	1,295.50	15,303	-661	16,141.25	10.5
August 8, 2020	883	-160	1,146.50	14,217	-1,086	15,599.25	9.7
August 15, 2020	920	37	1,027.00	13,948	-269	14,858.00	9.5
August 22, 2020	872	-48	929.50	13,246	-702	14,178.50	9.1
August 29, 2020	875	3	887.50	13,528	282	13,734.75	9.3
September 5, 2020	881	6	887.00	12,755	-773	13,369.25	8.7
September 12, 2020	860	-21	872.00	12,706	-49	13,058.75	8.7
September 19, 2020	860	0	869.00	11,381	-1,325	12,592.50	7.8
September 26, 2020	803	-57	851.00	10,477	-904	11,829.75	7.2
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	3,674	-34	3,713.00	2.6
April 17, 2021	547	-39	651.00				

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

STATE	PUA Initial Claims Filed During Week Ended April 17			PUA Continued Claims For Week Ended Apr 3		
	Advance	Prior Wk	Change	Apr 3	Mar 27	Change
Alabama	8,347	3,719	4,628	24,909	27,878	-2,969
Alaska	333	378	-45	11,960	15,655	-3,695
Arizona	1,357	1,383	-26	86,097	91,979	-5,882
Arkansas	1,595	1,291	304	45,649	46,885	-1,236
California	18,814	21,861	-3,047	1,394,259	1,172,484	221,775
Colorado	1,310	2,132	-822	47,715	64,987	-17,272
Connecticut	261	291	-30	36,821	37,217	-396
Delaware	51	50	1	5,664	5,797	-133
District of Columbia	55	72	-17	12,477	15,469	-2,992
Florida	1,886	1,730	156	0	0	0
Georgia	1,826	1,281	545	161,221	169,673	-8,452
Hawaii	517	413	104	40,130	41,901	-1,771
Idaho	43	39	4	5,110	6,021	-911
Illinois	2,554	1,637	917	251,274	167,743	83,531
Indiana	17,133	10,721	6,412	203,742	166,313	37,429
Iowa	794	809	-15	8,224	9,552	-1,328
Kansas	237	239	-2	10,194	13,391	-3,197
Kentucky	2,381	41	2,340	16,030	9,915	6,115
Louisiana	3,131	4,388	-1,257	109,337	108,401	936
Maine	133	174	-41	13,230	13,358	-128
Maryland	1,817	909	908	169,297	176,765	-7,468
Massachusetts	2,108	2,122	-14	261,195	274,209	-13,014
Michigan	4,929	4,431	498	364,527	480,091	-115,564
Minnesota	0	1	-1	39,730	40,090	-360
Mississippi	637	644	-7	26,210	27,919	-1,709
Missouri	1,529	1,183	346	39,782	41,503	-1,721
Montana	384	472	-88	14,543	15,685	-1,142
Nebraska	52	56	-4	2,929	3,124	-195
Nevada	282	254	28	44,185	42,340	1,845
New Hampshire	38	668	-630	7,810	9,536	-1,726
New Jersey	4,295	7,730	-3,435	346,861	337,091	9,770
New Mexico	4,068	5,565	-1,497	29,849	36,133	-6,284
New York	4,700	5,361	-661	1,194,921	1,237,199	-42,278
North Carolina	2,509	2,461	48	85,835	90,252	-4,417
North Dakota	133	163	-30	3,482	3,825	-343
Ohio	5,925	5,601	324	458,590	336,847	121,743
Oklahoma	2,092	1,253	839	14,419	18,440	-4,021
Oregon	1,220	1,839	-619	76,007	93,005	-16,998
Pennsylvania	9,574	12,808	-3,234	464,061	460,163	3,898
Puerto Rico	4,976	6,670	-1,694	270,869	288,649	-17,780
Rhode Island	1,872	2,381	-509	38,427	39,191	-764
South Carolina	1,477	1,756	-279	51,847	53,029	-1,182
South Dakota	4	4	0	510	460	50
Tennessee	2,852	3,681	-829	58,505	61,308	-2,803
Texas	3,826	3,264	562	426,963	368,289	58,674
Utah	423	364	59	1,732	1,715	17
Vermont	1,410	581	829	8,763	8,766	-3
Virgin Islands	13	12	1	0	0	0
Virginia	2,577	1,540	1,037	168,148	170,227	-2,079
Washington	1,888	2,265	-377	105,083	106,140	-1,057
West Virginia	1,029	940	89	8,692	9,134	-442
Wisconsin	1,696	2,030	-334	40,449	27,248	13,201
Wyoming	226	63	163	1,340	1,384	-44
US Total	133,319	131,721	1,598	7,309,604	7,044,376	265,228

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:				
	April 3	March 27	Change	March 20	March 13
Alabama	53,615	58,423	-4,808	64,947	66,540
Alaska	16,409	16,362	47	15,604	16,463
Arizona	60,937	64,484	-3,547	67,943	74,810
Arkansas	21,835	21,883	-48	22,172	22,441
California	1,318,684	911,742	406,942	1,334,080	1,189,737
Colorado	68,844	72,405	-3,561	76,308	79,178
Connecticut	72,320	71,781	539	74,756	81,260
Delaware	14,046	14,031	15	13,880	13,642
District of Columbia	6,720	6,929	-209	7,438	8,334
Florida	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	0	0	0	0	0
Hawaii	32,215	36,610	-4,395	32,563	40,297
Idaho	5,944	6,654	-710	7,395	7,799
Illinois	262,153	240,789	21,364	255,324	271,217
Indiana	72,774	74,041	-1,267	79,521	80,410
Iowa	23,361	25,301	-1,940	29,055	38,616
Kansas	8,156	7,755	401	11,539	13,079
Kentucky	29,166	34,633	-5,467	33,408	38,002
Louisiana	73,505	74,222	-717	80,201	76,984
Maine	17,903	17,832	71	18,658	19,104
Maryland	84,913	84,833	80	84,465	81,988
Massachusetts	218,546	219,137	-591	198,327	203,887
Michigan	251,775	280,453	-28,678	208,239	268,412
Minnesota	176,651	173,344	3,307	167,551	141,501
Mississippi	23,456	24,067	-611	26,847	36,210
Missouri	57,924	62,577	-4,653	63,508	19,829
Montana	8,601	8,636	-35	8,913	9,170
Nebraska	5,097	5,216	-119	5,388	5,460
Nevada	104,185	104,810	-625	98,706	107,056
New Hampshire	7,226	8,404	-1,178	9,373	11,222
New Jersey	192,757	196,499	-3,742	174,956	203,471
New Mexico	42,688	46,519	-3,831	18,898	19,557
New York	740,243	754,875	-14,632	752,208	736,592
North Carolina	171,926	175,623	-3,697	184,039	191,710
North Dakota	7,435	7,321	114	7,317	7,739
Ohio	123,283	125,421	-2,138	131,334	133,601
Oklahoma	35,295	40,392	-5,097	44,645	47,160
Oregon	87,349	88,226	-877	93,680	97,336
Pennsylvania	291,434	307,187	-15,753	300,790	336,237
Puerto Rico	6,785	6,267	518	15,430	39,821
Rhode Island	19,885	20,440	-555	20,784	20,715
South Carolina	79,034	80,424	-1,390	79,262	81,439
South Dakota	1,171	1,237	-66	1,224	1,374
Tennessee	58,973	63,355	-4,382	63,011	59,401
Texas	553,093	410,948	142,145	534,327	380,468
Utah	11,065	11,695	-630	12,197	12,426
Vermont	10,371	9,931	440	12,328	14,000
Virgin Islands	26	52	-26	51	62
Virginia	17,561	19,765	-2,204	22,571	24,550
Washington	2,795	2,931	-136	3,172	3,644
West Virginia	17,146	18,039	-893	19,991	22,562
Wisconsin	38,087	38,566	-479	38,137	51,705
Wyoming	572	5,164	-4,592	5,207	5,438
US Total	5,605,935	5,158,231	447,704	5,631,668	5,513,656

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:		
	April 3	March 27	Change
Alabama	0	0	0
Alaska	93	67	26
Arizona	1,635	2,354	-719
Arkansas	18	26	-8
California	135,739	211,175	-75,436
Colorado	36	43	-7
Connecticut	1,010	1,121	-111
Delaware	9	6	3
District of Columbia	7	8	-1
Florida	0	0	0
Georgia	0	0	0
Hawaii	13	14	-1
Idaho	12	16	-4
Illinois	9,375	33,467	-24,092
Indiana	26	35	-9
Iowa	125	20	105
Kansas	644	600	44
Kentucky	0	0	0
Louisiana	28	38	-10
Maine	6	8	-2
Maryland	289	4	285
Massachusetts	7,136	9,168	-2,032
Michigan	8,484	17,790	-9,306
Minnesota	1	0	1
Mississippi	195	222	-27
Missouri	75	238	-163
Montana	4	9	-5
Nebraska	0	0	0
Nevada	13,283	17,578	-4,295
New Hampshire	19	35	-16
New Jersey	55,869	59,273	-3,404
New Mexico	878	1,823	-945
New York	188,424	188,561	-137
North Carolina	124	144	-20
North Dakota	1	1	0
Ohio	134	41	93
Oklahoma	0	0	0
Oregon	263	219	44
Pennsylvania	11,599	14,725	-3,126
Puerto Rico	1,081	1,115	-34
Rhode Island	935	1,806	-871
South Carolina	52	62	-10
South Dakota	0	0	0
Tennessee	49	49	0
Texas	54,290	49,780	4,510
Utah	0	0	0
Vermont	6	6	0
Virgin Islands	18	8	10
Virginia	300	316	-16
Washington	55	131	-76
West Virginia	7	8	-1
Wisconsin	649	584	65
Wyoming	3	4	-1
US Total	492,999	612,698	-119,699

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

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED DURING WEEK ENDED
APRIL 10

INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT FOR WEEK ENDED
APRIL 3

STATE NAME	STATE	CHANGE FROM				STATE (%) ²	CHANGE FROM				ALL PROGRAMS EXCLUDING RAILROAD RETIREMENT	
		LAST WEEK	YEAR AGO	UCFE ¹	UCX ¹		LAST WEEK	YEAR AGO	UCFE ¹	UCX ¹		
Alabama	10,909	5,517	-66,606	54	14	19,237	1.0	2,739	-76,088	55	32	19,324
Alaska	4,553	846	-7,454	9	0	14,508	5.1	501	-20,857	167	32	14,707
Arizona	6,202	1,025	-92,329	1	2	49,853	1.8	43	-70,739	201	107	50,161
Arkansas	3,374	1,257	-32,255	8	0	19,541	1.7	-2,135	-46,970	100	38	19,679
California	69,458	-76,082	-586,014	164	105	603,980	3.7	-26,146	-825,974	3,008	1,285	608,273
Colorado	8,946	-384	-95,626	2	9	70,271	2.7	-11,886	-96,322	221	135	70,627
Connecticut	6,472	-638	-27,578	17	6	80,048	5.2	-50	-109,148	347	55	80,450
Delaware	3,802	1,405	-9,456	5	5	10,149	2.2	-534	-19,428	79	22	10,250
District of Columbia	3,627	798	-6,347	38	0	22,453	4.1	200	-19,771	1,021	9	23,483
Florida	24,402	9,377	-156,017	73	47	129,186	1.5	-5,710	-210,262	454	333	129,973
Georgia	38,382	4,759	-281,199	46	33	139,056	3.3	1,378	-456,362	695	391	140,142
Hawaii	3,900	-687	-30,817	12	10	17,922	3.2	1,094	-30,383	174	81	18,177
Idaho	6,229	1,006	-12,302	8	2	10,612	1.4	-885	-48,527	124	18	10,754
Illinois	18,986	2,804	-121,801	9	2	236,986	4.2	-9,463	-215,840	795	192	237,973
Indiana	9,542	1,471	-104,213	18	12	57,103	2.0	1,545	-90,480	248	106	57,457
Iowa	5,005	-1,120	-38,884	14	3	33,500	2.3	-4,372	-93,832	91	31	33,622
Kansas	2,138	688	-22,733	0	0	9,235	0.7	949	-53,046	32	18	9,285
Kentucky	5,999	-15,424	-110,278	3	0	24,623	1.4	-7,001	-157,474	36	86	24,745
Louisiana	9,809	-2,454	-69,844	8	6	50,796	2.8	4,266	-166,736	94	15	50,905
Maine	2,060	-87	-11,428	3	1	15,344	2.7	-151	-40,379	41	20	15,405
Maryland	8,727	585	-54,508	21	4	46,783	2.2	-4,146	-114,114	267	50	47,100
Massachusetts	15,131	-5,789	-88,682	33	16	111,529	3.2	-20,740	-250,071	295	117	111,941
Michigan	16,470	1,963	-205,737	10	2	107,743	2.7	-3,914	-641,268	200	96	108,039
Minnesota	5,481	-5,011	-87,652	8	2	99,755	3.7	606	-241,823	202	119	100,076
Mississippi	4,423	-1,328	-41,325	8	3	26,953	2.5	-482	-33,784	118	20	27,091
Missouri	11,435	1,855	-90,691	2	0	48,548	1.8	978	-130,162	154	14	48,716
Montana	2,082	-331	-12,193	12	5	11,725	2.6	-632	-41,757	244	19	11,988
Nebraska	1,931	-67	-14,348	4	1	9,483	1.0	-1,883	-50,933	9	4	9,496
Nevada	10,985	255	-47,656	9	5	71,737	5.6	2,973	-117,270	146	92	71,975
New Hampshire	1,640	496	-23,633	10	0	23,365	3.7	1,622	-56,614	32	1	23,398
New Jersey	11,346	-8,529	-130,074	27	8	123,723	3.3	14,608	-305,665	312	243	124,278
New Mexico	5,513	-380	-13,530	1	2	27,708	3.6	-12	-34,978	257	59	28,024
New York	58,495	16,028	-336,206	17	18	381,609	4.4	14,007	-739,582	449	360	382,418
North Carolina	7,998	221	-132,157	5	3	47,347	1.1	-7,067	-315,642	204	214	47,765
North Dakota	2,047	1,226	-7,455	7	1	6,849	1.7	-646	-17,705	11	5	6,865
Ohio	23,329	-21,831	-135,988	3	11	142,930	2.7	-15,807	-479,739	230	231	143,391
Oklahoma	17,997	4,145	-36,484	26	9	25,593	1.7	1,367	-62,737	123	28	25,744
Oregon	8,379	-1,106	-46,202	22	6	60,109	3.3	1,165	-116,045	675	93	60,877
Pennsylvania	22,454	-906	-150,279	125	33	224,696	4.2	-3,388	-389,500	1,188	360	226,244
Puerto Rico	2,302	831	-39,772	1	3	27,899	3.4	-2,860	-58,575	372	60	28,331
Rhode Island	4,973	-344	-17,536	0	3	17,887	4.0	-54	-53,048	81	30	17,998
South Carolina	5,131	139	-84,016	12	10	38,434	1.9	1,013	-88,560	73	67	38,574
South Dakota	290	-24	-6,069	1	0	3,138	0.8	-604	-11,293	46	2	3,186
Tennessee	11,421	14	-60,466	18	7	47,568	1.4	2,900	-158,904	60	33	47,661
Texas	66,552	-17,436	-207,705	158	132	277,388	2.3	-22,138	-355,082	796	1,519	279,703
Utah	4,352	263	-20,163	51	14	12,242	0.8	-379	-60,556	115	13	12,370
Vermont	2,252	491	-7,410	0	0	11,407	4.0	1,366	-19,797	22	0	11,429
Virgin Islands	130	44	124	1	0	1,358	3.7	430	582	46	2	1,406
Virginia	5,034	-23,492	-99,585	6	1	57,371	1.6	27	-179,420	283	253	57,907
Washington	17,601	5,380	-126,854	30	16	90,520	2.8	-4,201	-352,416	457	537	91,514
West Virginia	5,533	354	-9,411	2	1	18,746	3.0	37	-29,851	191	29	18,966
Wisconsin	16,511	2,087	-53,489	17	5	92,947	2.9	278	-169,900	181	59	93,187
Wyoming	1,293	419	-4,501	14	2	4,171	1.6	-419	-7,041	74	2	4,247
Totals	623,033	-115,701	-4,274,834	1,153	580	3,913,664	2.8	-101,613	-8,531,868	15,896	7,737	3,937,297

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 10, 2021

STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
NY	+16,028	Layoffs in the transportation and warehousing, health care and social assistance, and educational service industries.
FL	+9,377	No comment.
AL	+5,517	No comment.
WA	+5,380	Layoffs in the agriculture, forestry, fishing, and hunting, manufacturing, and health care and social assistance industries.
GA	+4,759	Layoffs in the administrative and support and waste management and remediation services, transportation and warehousing, and manufacturing industries.
OK	+4,145	No comment.
IL	+2,804	Layoffs in the manufacturing, other services, and wholesale trade industries.
WI	+2,087	Layoffs in the transportation and warehousing and accommodation and services industries.
MI	+1,963	No comment.
MO	+1,855	Layoffs in the administrative and support and waste management and remediation services and retail trade industries.
IN	+1,471	No comment.
DE	+1,405	No comment.
AR	+1,257	No comment.
ND	+1,226	No comment.
AZ	+1,025	No comment.
ID	+1,006	No comment.

STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
CA	-76,082	No comment.
VA	-23,492	No comment.
OH	-21,831	No comment.
TX	-17,436	No comment.
KY	-15,424	No comment.
NJ	-8,529	No comment.
MA	-5,789	No comment.
MN	-5,011	No comment.
LA	-2,454	No comment.
MS	-1,328	No comment.
IA	-1,120	Fewer layoffs in the educational services, administrative and support and waste management and remediation services, and construction industries.
OR	-1,106	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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