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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS REPORT**SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA**

In the week ending November 23, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 316,000, a decrease of 10,000 from the previous week's revised figure of 326,000. The 4-week moving average was 331,750, a decrease of 7,500 from the previous week's revised average of 339,250.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 2.1 percent for the week ending November 16, a decrease of 0.1 percentage point from the prior week's unrevised rate. The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending November 16 was 2,776,000, a decrease of 91,000 from the preceding week's revised level of 2,867,000. The 4-week moving average was 2,831,750, a decrease of 22,750 from the preceding week's revised average of 2,854,500.

UNADJUSTED DATA

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 363,053 in the week ending November 23, an increase of 37,229 from the previous week. There were 358,869 initial claims in the comparable week in 2012.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 2.1 percent during the week ending November 16, an increase of 0.2 percentage point from the prior week. The advance unadjusted number for persons claiming UI benefits in state programs totaled 2,684,088, an increase of 143,750 from the preceding week. A year earlier, the rate was 2.2 percent and the volume was 2,835,628.

The total number of people claiming benefits in all programs for the week ending November 9 was 3,913,729, an increase of 38,437 from the previous week. There were 5,183,962 persons claiming benefits in all programs in the comparable week in 2012.

No state was triggered "on" the Extended Benefits program during the week ending November 9.

Initial claims for UI benefits filed by former Federal civilian employees totaled 1,943 in the week ending November 16, a decrease of 237 from the prior week. There were 2,027 initial claims filed by newly discharged veterans, a decrease of 412 from the preceding week.

There were 19,189 former Federal civilian employees claiming UI benefits for the week ending November 9, a decrease of 785 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 31,277, an increase of 413 from the prior week.

States reported 1,304,899 persons claiming Emergency Unemployment Compensation (EUC) benefits for the week ending November 9, an increase of 3,337 from the prior week. There were 2,119,054 persons claiming EUC in the comparable week in 2012. EUC weekly claims include first, second, third, and fourth tier activity.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending November 16 were in Alaska (4.6), Puerto Rico (3.8), New Jersey (3.2), Virgin Islands (3.1), California (2.8), Connecticut (2.8), Pennsylvania (2.7), Oregon (2.5), Illinois (2.4), and New York (2.4).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending November 16 were in Florida (+888), Idaho (+573), Mississippi (+534), Minnesota (+155), and North Dakota (+103), while the largest decreases were in California (-4,644), Michigan (-3,342), Pennsylvania (-3,112), Texas (-2,584), and New York (-2,246).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

WEEK ENDING	Advance Nov. 23	Nov. 16	Change	Nov. 9	Prior Year ¹
Initial Claims (SA)	316,000	326,000	-10,000	344,000	390,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	363,053	325,824	+37,229	363,506	358,869
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	331,750	339,250	-7,500	345,250	401,000
WEEK ENDING	Advance Nov. 16	Nov. 9	Change	Nov. 2	Prior Year ¹
Ins. Unemployment (SA)	2,776,000	2,867,000	-91,000	2,810,000	3,271,000
Ins. Unemployment (NSA)	2,684,088	2,540,338	+143,750	2,503,713	2,835,628

4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	2,831,750	2,854,500	-22,750	2,850,250	3,276,750
Ins. Unemployment Rate (SA)²	2.1%	2.2%	-0.1	2.2%	2.6%
Ins. Unemployment Rate (NSA)²	2.1%	1.9%	+0.2	1.9%	2.2%

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	Nov. 16	Nov. 9	Change	Prior Year¹
Federal Employees	1,943	2,180	-237	1,625
Newly Discharged Veterans	2,027	2,439	-412	2,385

PERSONS CLAIMING UI BENEFITS IN ALL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	Nov. 9	Nov. 2	Change	Prior Year¹
Regular State	2,534,026	2,497,333	+36,693	2,938,940
Federal Employees (UCFE)	19,189	19,974	-785	18,603
Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX)	31,277	30,864	+413	39,325
EUC 2008³	1,304,899	1,301,562	+3,337	2,119,054
Extended Benefits⁴	201	159	+42	37,302
State Additional Benefits⁵	4,608	4,598	+10	5,740
STC / Workshare⁶	19,529	20,802	-1,273	24,998
TOTAL	3,913,729	3,875,292	+38,437	5,183,962

FOOTNOTES

SA - Seasonally Adjusted Data, NSA - Not Seasonally Adjusted Data

¹ - Prior year is comparable to most recent data.² - Most recent week used covered employment of 130,396,096 as denominator.³ - EUC weekly claims include first, second, third, and fourth tier activity. Tier-specific EUC data can be found here:<http://ows.doleta.gov/unemploy/docs/persons.xls>⁴ - Information on the EB program can be found here: <http://www.ows.doleta.gov/unemploy/extenben.asp>⁵ - Some states maintain additional benefit programs for those claimants who exhaust regular, extended and emergency benefits. Information on states that participate,and the extent of benefits paid, can be found starting on page 4-5 of this link: <http://ows.doleta.gov/unemploy/pdf/uilawcompar/2010/special.pdf>⁶ - Information on STC/Worksharing can be found starting on page 4-9 of the following link: <http://ows.doleta.gov/unemploy/pdf/uilawcompar/2010/special.pdf>

UNADJUSTED INITIAL CLAIMS FOR WEEK ENDED NOVEMBER 16, 2013

STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

<u>State</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>State Supplied Comment</u>
CA	-4,644	Fewer layoff in the service industry.
MI	-3,342	Fewer layoffs in the management of companies and enterprise industry.
PA	-3,112	Fewer layoffs in the professional, scientific and technology services, accommodation and food service, health care and social service, and retail trade industries.
TX	-2,584	No comment.
NY	-2,246	Fewer layoffs in the manufacturing, foods service, and retail trade industries.
GA	-1,598	Fewer layoffs in the administrative and support service, manufacturing, accommodation and food service, and health care and social service industries.
MO	-1,398	Fewer layoffs in the construction, manufacturing, and administrative and support service industries.
MA	-1,391	No comment.
NJ	-1,388	Fewer layoffs in the educational services, administrative and support service, construction, retail trade, and health care and social assistance industries.

SC	-1,348	Fewer layoffs in the manufacturing industry.
OH	-1,168	Fewer layoffs in the manufacturing industry.
WA	-1,065	No comment.

STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

<u>State</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>State Supplied Comment</u>
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