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

In the week ending September 10, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 428,000, an increase of 11,000 from the previous week's revised figure of 417,000. The 4-week moving average was 419,500, an increase of 4,000 from the previous week's revised average of 415,500.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 3.0 percent for the week ending September 3, unchanged from the prior week's unrevised rate.

The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending September 3 was 3,726,000, a decrease of 12,000 from the preceding week's revised level of 3,738,000. The 4-week moving average was 3,741,000, an increase of 1,250 from the preceding week's revised average of 3,739,750.

UNADJUSTED DATA

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 325,999 in the week ending September 10, a decrease of 22,495 from the previous week. There were 341,791 initial claims in the comparable week in 2010.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 2.6 percent during the week ending September 3, a decrease of 0.1 percentage point from the prior week. The advance unadjusted number for persons claiming UI benefits in state programs totaled 3,267,684, a decrease of 167,359 from the preceding week. A year earlier, the rate was 3.1 percent and the volume was 3,933,895.

The total number of people claiming benefits in all programs for the week ending August 27 was 7,144,143, a decrease of 25,033 from the previous week.

Extended benefits were available in Alabama, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, the District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Washington, West Virginia, and Wisconsin during the week ending August 27.

Initial claims for UI benefits by former Federal civilian employees totaled 1,897 in the week ending September 3, a decrease of 119 from the prior week. There were 2,748 initial claims by newly discharged veterans, an increase of 61 from the preceding week.

There were 25,085 former Federal civilian employees claiming UI benefits for the week ending August 27, an increase of 1,097 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 38,299, an increase of 128 from the prior week.

States reported 3,066,671 persons claiming EUC (Emergency Unemployment Compensation) benefits for the week ending August 27, an increase of 6,049 from the prior week. There were 4,105,555 claimants in the comparable week in 2010. EUC weekly claims include first, second, third, and fourth tier activity.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending August 27 were in Puerto Rico (4.4), Pennsylvania (4.2), New Jersey (4.0), California (3.7), Connecticut (3.7), Oregon (3.5), Rhode Island (3.5), Nevada (3.4), Alaska (3.3), and New York (3.2).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending September 3 were in Kansas (+1,969), North Carolina (+1,450), Washington (+1,443), New Jersey (+1,324), and Texas (+1,239) while the largest decreases were in New York (-2,854), South Carolina (-2,118), Puerto Rico (-1,611), California (-576), and Virginia (-216).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

WEEK ENDING	Advance Sept. 10	Sept. 3	Change	August 27	Prior Year ¹
Initial Claims (SA)	428,000	417,000	+11,000	412,000	450,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	325,999	348,494	-22,495	336,761	341,791
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	419,500	415,500	+4,000	411,000	460,500

WEEK ENDING	Advance Sept. 3	August 27	Change	August 20	Prior Year ¹
Ins. Unemployment (SA)	3,726,000	3,738,000	-12,000	3,747,000	4,491,000
Ins. Unemployment (NSA)	3,267,684	3,435,043	-167,359	3,473,182	3,933,895
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	3,741,000	3,739,750	+1,250	3,729,000	4,481,500
Ins. Unemployment Rate (SA) ²	3.0	3.0	0.0	3.0	3.5
Ins. Unemployment Rate (NSA) ²	2.6	2.7	-0.1	2.8	3.1

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	Sept. 3	August 27	Change	Prior Year ¹
Federal Employees	1,897	2,016	-119	5,069
Newly Discharged Veterans	2,748	2,687	+61	4,276

PERSONS CLAIMING UI BENEFITS IN ALL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	August 27	August 20	Change	Prior Year ¹
Regular State	3,423,471	3,461,773	-38,302	4,126,542
Federal Employees (UCFE)	25,085	23,988	+1,097	27,233
Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX)	38,299	38,171	+128	42,096
EUC 2008 ³	3,066,671	3,060,622	+6,049	4,105,555
Extended Benefits ⁴	541,044	536,892	+4,152	854,111
State Additional Benefits ⁵	4,155	4,165	-10	3,506
STC / Workshare ⁶	45,418	43,565	+1,853	50,531
TOTAL	7,144,143	7,169,176	-25,033	9,209,574

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 125,807,389 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 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 09/03/2011

STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
NY	-2,854	Fewer layoffs in the transportation, education related service, and service industries.
SC	-2,118	Fewer layoffs in the manufacturing industry.
PR	-1,611	No comment.

STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
KY	+1,005	No comment.
NV	+1,046	No comment.
IN	+1,237	Layoffs in the manufacturing industry.

TX	+1,239	Layoffs in education related service, manufacturing, and service industries.
NJ	+1,324	Layoff in the construction, manufacturing, service, and retail industries.
WA	+1,443	Layoff in the construction and manufacturing industries.
NC	+1,450	Layoffs in the furniture and fixtures, and transportation industries.
KS	+1,969	Layoffs in the transportation and electrical manufacturing industries.

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