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### **UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS REPORT**

### **SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA**

In the week ending Jan. 16, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 482,000, an increase of 36,000 from the previous week's revised figure of 446,000. The 4-week moving average was 448,250, an increase of 7,000 from the previous week's revised average of 441,250.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 3.5 percent for the week ending Jan. 9, unchanged from the prior week's unrevised rate of 3.5 percent.

The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending Jan. 9 was 4,599,000, a decrease of 18,000 from the preceding week's revised level of 4,617,000. The 4-week moving average was 4,750,500, a decrease of 109,750 from the preceding week's revised average of 4,860,250.

The fiscal year-to-date average for seasonally adjusted insured unemployment for all programs is 5.412 million.

### **UNADJUSTED DATA**

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 650,728 in the week ending Jan. 16, a decrease of 154,194 from the previous week. There were 763,987 initial claims in the comparable week in 2009.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 4.4 percent during the week ending Jan. 9, a decrease of 0.2 percentage point from the prior week. The advance unadjusted number for persons claiming UI benefits in state programs totaled 5,716,608, a decrease of 299,837 from the preceding week. A year earlier, the rate was 4.2 percent and the volume was 5,651,117.

Extended benefits were available in Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, the District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, and Wisconsin during the week ending lan. 2

Initial claims for UI benefits by former Federal civilian employees totaled 2,459 in the week ending Jan. 9, an increase of 998 from the prior week. There were 2,497 initial claims by newly discharged veterans, an increase of 1,043 from the preceding week.

There were 27,768 former Federal civilian employees claiming UI benefits for the week ending Jan. 2, an increase of 1,856 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 36,855, an increase of 838 from the prior week.

States reported 5,654,544 persons claiming EUC (Emergency Unemployment Compensation) benefits for the week ending Jan. 2, an increase of 652,364 from the prior week. There were 2,094,313 claimants in the comparable week in 2009. EUC weekly claims include first, second, third, and fourth tier activity.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending Jan. 2 were in Oregon (7.3 percent), Wisconsin (7.2), Alaska (7.1), Pennsylvania (6.9), Idaho (6.8), Michigan (6.2), North Carolina (6.1), Montana (6.0), Puerto Rico (6.0), and Washington (6.0).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending Jan. 9 were in California (+16,160), Texas (+15,892), Florida (+12,939), Pennsylvania (+12,562), and Georgia (+10,822), while the largest decreases were in Oregon (-5,784), Iowa (-4,450), Kentucky (-3,467), Michigan (-1,242), and Massachusetts (-1,085).

## UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

	Advance				Prior1
WEEK ENDING	Jan. 16	Jan. 9	Change	Jan. 2	Year
Initial Claims (SA)	482,000	446,000	+36,000	433,000	575,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	650,728	804,922	-154,194	645,446	763,987
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	448,250	441,250	+7,000	449,750	526,500
	Advance				Prior1
WEEK ENDING	Jan. 9	Jan. 2	Change	Dec. 26	Year
Ins. Unemployment (SA)	4,599,000	4,617,000	-18,000	4,807,000	4,576,000
Ins. Unemployment (NSA)	5,716,608	6,016,445	-299,837	5,484,997	5,651,117
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	4,750,500	4,860,250	-109,750	5,006,500	4,515,500
Ins. Unemployment Rate (SA) <sup>2</sup>	3.5%	3.5%	0.0	3.6%	3.4%
Ins. Unemployment Rate (NSA) <sup>2</sup>	4.4%	4.6%	-0.2	4.2%	4.2%

# INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	Jan. 9	Jan. 2	Change	Prior1 Year
Federal Employees	2,459	1,461	+998	2,560
Newly Discharged Veterans	2,497	1,454	+1,043	2,322

### PERSONS CLAIMING UI BENEFITS IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	Jan. 2	Dec. 26	Change	Prior1 Year
Federal Employees	27,768	25,912	+1,856	21,334
Newly Discharged Veterans	36,855	36,017	+838	27,040
Railroad Retirement Board	11,000	11,000	0	6,000
Extended Benefits	262,881	302,498	-39,617	3,103
EUC 2008 <sup>3</sup>	5,654,544	5,002,180	+652,364	2,094,313

### **FOOTNOTES**

SA - Seasonally Adjusted Data

NSA - Not Seasonally Adjusted Data

- <sup>1</sup> Prior year is comparable to most recent data.
- $^{\rm 2}$  Most recent week used covered employment of 130,128,328 as denominator.
- $^{\rm 3}$  EUC weekly claims include first, second, third, and fourth tier activity.

UNADJUSTED INITIAL CLAIMS FOR WEEK ENDED 01/09/2010

STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

<u>State</u>	<u>Change</u>	State Supplied Comment
OR	-5,784	No comment.
IA	-4,450	No comment.
KY	-3,467	Fewer layoffs in the manufacturing industry.
MI	-1,242	Fewer layoffs in the manufacturing industry.
MA	-1,085	No comment.

STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

<u>State</u>	<u>Change</u>	State Supplied Comment
ND	+1,037	No comment.
OK	+1,086	No comment.
UT	+1,198	No comment.
HI	+1,206	No comment.
MT	+1,352	No comment.
ОН	+1,410	Increase due to holiday shutdowns.
WV	+1,564	No comment.
IN	+1,999	Layoffs in the automobile, construction, trade, and manufacturing industries.
LA	+2,415	No comment.
NV	+2,676	No comment.
AK	+3,230	No comment.
NJ	+3,389	Layoffs in the construction, trade, and service industries.
CO	+3,622	No comment.
MD	+3,983	No comment.
AZ	+4,003	No comment.
AL	+4,209	No comment.
CT	+4,513	Layoffs in the construction and trade industries.
MO	+4,942	Layoffs in the construction and service industries.
KS	+5,604	No comment.

NY	+7,143	Figures are based on a six day processing week, as well as layoffs in the transportation and service industries.
TN	+7,666	Layoffs in the service and manufacturing industries.
IL	+8,038	Layoffs in the construction, trade, and manufacturing industries.
VA	+8,268	Return to a five day workweek, as well as layoffs in the manufacturing industry.
SC	+8,637	Layoffs in the manufacturing industry.
NC	+9,156	Layoffs in the textile, furniture, chemical, primary metals, and service industries.
GA	+10,822	Layoffs in the construction, trade, service, and manufacturing industries.
PA	+12,562	Layoffs in the construction, trade, and service industries.
FL	+12,939	Layoffs in the construction, trade, service, and manufacturing industries, and agriculture.
TX	+15,892	Layoffs in the trade, service, real estate, and manufacturing industries.
CA	+16,160	Return to a five day workweek, as well as layoffs in the construction and service industries.
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