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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS REPORT

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

In the week ending Aug. 7, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 484,000, an increase of 2,000 from the previous week's revised figure of 482,000. The 4-week moving average was 473,500, an increase of 14,250 from the previous week's revised average of 459,250.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 3.5 percent for the week ending July 31, a decrease of 0.1 percentage point from the prior week's unrevised rate of 3.6 percent.

The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending July 31 was 4,452,000, a decrease of 118,000 from the preceding week's revised level of 4,570,000. The 4-week moving average was 4,518,500, a decrease of 64,500 from the preceding week's revised average of 4,583,000.

The fiscal year-to-date average of seasonally adjusted weekly insured unemployment, which corresponds to the appropriated AWIU trigger, was 5.018 million.

UNADJUSTED DATA

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 420,997 in the week ending Aug. 7, an increase of 18,862 from the previous week. There were 482,590 initial claims in the comparable week in 2009.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 3.4 percent during the week ending July 31, a decrease of 0.1 percentage point from the prior week. The advance unadjusted number for persons claiming UI benefits in state programs totaled 4,296,612, a decrease of 154,102 from the preceding week. A year earlier, the rate was 4.4 percent and the volume was 5,896,062.

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, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, and Wisconsin during the week ending July 24.

Initial claims for UI benefits by former Federal civilian employees totaled 3,247 in the week ending July 31, a decrease of 69 from the prior week. There were 2,668 initial claims by newly discharged veterans, a decrease of 122 from the preceding week.

There were 23,114 former Federal civilian employees claiming UI benefits for the week ending July 24, an increase of 239 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 43,411, an increase of 724 from the prior week.

States reported 4,493,351 persons claiming EUC (Emergency Unemployment Compensation) benefits for the week ending July 24, an increase of 1,158,473 from the prior week. There were 2,867,229 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 July 24 were in Puerto Rico (6.8 percent), Pennsylvania (4.9), California (4.7), Oregon (4.7), New Jersey (4.6), Alaska (4.4), Connecticut (4.4), Nevada (4.4), Wisconsin (4.2), and Rhode Island (4.1).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending July 31 were in Wisconsin (+1,901), Georgia (+1,738), Pennsylvania (+1,536), Ohio (+1,188), and New York (+1,159), while the largest decreases were in Indiana (-4,377), Florida (-3,816), Tennessee (-2,465), Illinois (-2,056), and Kentucky (-1,567).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

WEEK ENDING	Advance			Prior1	
	Aug. 7	July 31	Change	July 24	Year
Initial Claims (SA)	484,000	482,000	+2,000	460,000	557,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	420,997	402,135	+18,862	413,678	482,590
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	473,500	459,250	+14,250	453,250	564,500
WEEK ENDING	Advance			Prior1	
	July 31	July 24	Change	July 17	Year
Ins. Unemployment (SA)	4,452,000	4,570,000	-118,000	4,568,000	6,123,000

Ins. Unemployment (NSA)	4,296,612	4,450,714	154,102	4,568,163	5,896,062
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	4,518,500	4,583,000	-64,500	4,549,000	6,143,250

Ins. Unemployment Rate (SA) ²	3.5%	3.6%	-0.1	3.6%	4.6%
Ins. Unemployment Rate (NSA) ²	3.4%	3.5%	-0.1	3.6%	4.4%

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	July 31	July 24	Change	Prior1 Year
Federal Employees	3,247	3,316	-69	1,368
Newly Discharged Veterans	2,668	2,790	-122	2,020

PERSONS CLAIMING UI BENEFITS IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	July 24	July 17	Change	Prior1 Year
Federal Employees	23,114	22,875	+239	19,568
Newly Discharged Veterans	43,411	42,687	+724	30,340
Railroad Retirement Board	4,000	4,000	0	10,000
Extended Benefits	788,128	607,748	+180,380	544,640
EUC 2008 ³	4,493,351	3,334,878	+1,158,473	2,867,229

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 126,763,245 as denominator.

³ - EUC weekly claims include first, second, third, and fourth tier activity.

UNADJUSTED INITIAL CLAIMS FOR WEEK ENDED 07/31/2010

STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
IN	-4,377	No comment.
FL	-3,816	Fewer layoffs in the construction, trade, service, and manufacturing industries, and agriculture.
TN	-2,465	Fewer layoffs in the trade, service, and transportation equipment industries.
IL	-2,056	Fewer layoffs in the construction, trade, and manufacturing industries.
KY	-1,567	No comment
MO	-1,530	Fewer layoffs in the construction and service industries.
CA	-1,265	No comment.
PR	-1,207	No comment.

STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
NJ	+1,124	Layoffs in the construction, trade, service, transportation, warehousing, and manufacturing industries.
NY	+1,159	Layoffs in the construction, trade, and service industries.
OH	+1,188	Layoffs in the manufacturing industry.
PA	+1,536	Layoffs in the trade and service industries.
GA	+1,738	Layoffs in the construction, trade, and manufacturing industries.
WI	+1,901	No comment.

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