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

In the week ending Sept. 4, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 451,000, a decrease of 27,000 from the previous week's revised figure of 478,000. The 4-week moving average was 477,750, a decrease of 9,250 from the previous week's revised average of 487,000.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 3.5 percent for the week ending Aug. 28, unchanged from the prior week's unrevised rate of 3.5 percent.

The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending Aug. 28 was 4,478,000, a decrease of 2,000 from the preceding week's revised level of 4,480,000. The 4-week moving average was 4,488,000, a decrease of 3,250 from the preceding week's revised average of 4,491,250.

The fiscal year-to-date average of seasonally adjusted weekly insured unemployment, which corresponds to the appropriated AWIU trigger, was 4.986 million.

UNADJUSTED DATA

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 376,558 in the week ending Sept. 4, a decrease of 6,476 from the previous week. There were 466,277 initial claims in the comparable week in 2009.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 3.2 percent during the week ending Aug. 28, a decrease of 0.1 percentage point from the prior week. The advance unadjusted number for persons claiming UI benefits in state programs totaled 4,052,572, a decrease of 73,554 from the preceding week. A year earlier, the rate was 4.1 percent and the volume was 5,437,541.

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 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 Aug. 21.

Initial claims for UI benefits by former Federal civilian employees totaled 4,720 in the week ending Aug. 28, an increase of 788 from the prior week. There were 2,648 initial claims by newly discharged veterans, a decrease of 71 from the preceding week.

There were 25,031 former Federal civilian employees claiming UI benefits for the week ending Aug. 21, an increase of 239 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 40,830, a decrease of 323 from the prior week.

States reported 4,510,645 persons claiming EUC (Emergency Unemployment Compensation) benefits for the week ending Aug. 21, a decrease of 35,365 from the prior week. There were 3,156,763 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 Aug. 21 were in Puerto Rico (5.9 percent), New Jersey (4.6), Pennsylvania (4.6), Oregon (4.5), California (4.4), Connecticut (4.3), Alaska (4.1), Nevada (4.1), Rhode Island (4.0), and Wisconsin (3.9).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending Aug. 28 were in New York (+4,891), Florida (+1,886), Nevada (+1,052), Oregon (+828), and Texas (+742), while the largest decreases were in California (-4,127), Illinois (-2,114), Iowa (-813), Michigan (-599), and Maryland (-550).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

WEEK ENDING	Advance			Prior1	
	Sept. 4	Aug. 28	Change	Aug. 21	Year
Initial Claims (SA)	451,000	478,000	-27,000	478,000	556,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	376,558	383,034	-6,476	384,911	466,277
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	477,750	487,000	-9,250	488,000	566,500

WEEK ENDING	Advance Aug. 28	Aug. 21	Change	Aug. 14	Prior1 Year
Ins. Unemployment (SA)	4,478,000	4,480,000	-2,000	4,479,000	6,035,000
Ins. Unemployment (NSA)	4,052,572	4,126,126	-73,554	4,219,684	5,437,541
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	4,488,000	4,491,250	-3,250	4,513,750	6,081,000
Ins. Unemployment Rate (SA) ²	3.5%	3.5%	0.0	3.5%	4.5%
Ins. Unemployment Rate (NSA) ²	3.2%	3.3%	-0.1	3.3%	4.1%

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	Aug. 28	Aug. 21	Change	Prior1 Year
Federal Employees	4,720	3,932	+788	1,488
Newly Discharged Veterans	2,648	2,719	-71	2,189

PERSONS CLAIMING UI BENEFITS IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	Aug. 21	Aug. 14	Change	Prior1 Year
Federal Employees	25,031	24,792	+239	19,766
Newly Discharged Veterans	40,830	41,153	-323	30,796
Railroad Retirement Board	4,000	4,000	0	9,000
Extended Benefits	959,368	894,659	+64,709	631,991
EUC 2008 ³	4,510,645	4,546,010	-35,365	3,156,763

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 08/28/2010

STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
CA	-4,127	Fewer layoffs in the service industry.
IL	-2,114	Fewer layoffs in the construction, trade, and manufacturing industries.

STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
NV	+1,052	No comment.
FL	+1,886	No comment.

NY +4,891 Layoffs in the service and transportation industries.

[State Detail Prior Week](#)
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