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

In the week ending Oct. 2, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 445,000, a decrease of 11,000 from the previous week's revised figure of 456,000. The 4-week moving average was 455,750, a decrease of 3,000 from the previous week's revised average of 458,750.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 3.5 percent for the week ending Sept. 25, a decrease of 0.1 percentage point from the prior week's revised rate of 3.6 percent.

The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending Sept. 25 was 4,462,000, a decrease of 48,000 from the preceding week's revised level of 4,510,000. The 4-week moving average was 4,510,750, a decrease of 27,750 from the preceding week's revised average of 4,538,500.

**UNADJUSTED DATA**

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 371,004 in the week ending Oct. 2, a decrease of 1,532 from the previous week. There were 451,860 initial claims in the comparable week in 2009.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 2.9 percent during the week ending Sept. 25, a decrease of 0.1 percentage point from the prior week. The advance unadjusted number for persons claiming UI benefits in state programs totaled 3,739,443, a decrease of 71,488 from the preceding week. A year earlier, the rate was 3.8 percent and the volume was 5,017,172.

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 Sept. 18.

Initial claims for UI benefits by former Federal civilian employees totaled 3,597 in the week ending Sept. 25, a decrease of 573 from the prior week. There were 2,844 initial claims by newly discharged veterans, an increase of 33 from the preceding week.

There were 29,680 former Federal civilian employees claiming UI benefits for the week ending Sept. 18, a decrease of 104 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 40,773, a decrease of 125 from the prior week.

States reported 4,123,513 persons claiming EUC (Emergency Unemployment Compensation) benefits for the week ending Sept. 18, an increase of 157,735 from the prior week. There were 3,358,689 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 Sept. 18 were in Puerto Rico (6.2 percent), Alaska (4.1), California (4.1), Oregon (4.1), Nevada (4.0), Pennsylvania (4.0), New Jersey (3.9), Connecticut (3.6), Illinois (3.5), and South Carolina (3.5).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending Sept. 25 were in California (+8,960), Florida (+687), Kentucky (+415), Puerto Rico (+302), and Iowa (+299), while the largest decreases were in New York (-3,703), Illinois (-2,381), Georgia (-2,314), North Carolina (-2,078), and Tennessee (-1,656).

#### UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

WEEK ENDING	Advance		Change	Sept. 18	Prior1 Year
	Oct. 2	Sept. 25			
Initial Claims (SA)	445,000	456,000	-11,000	469,000	531,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	371,004	372,536	-1,532	382,323	451,860
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	455,750	458,750	-3,000	464,250	540,500
WEEK ENDING	Advance		Change	Sept. 11	Prior1 Year
	Sept. 25	Sept. 18			
Ins. Unemployment (SA)	4,462,000	4,510,000	-48,000	4,534,000	5,987,000
Ins. Unemployment (NSA)	3,739,443	3,810,931	-71,488	3,930,917	5,017,172
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	4,510,750	4,538,500	-27,750	4,530,750	6,044,250
Ins. Unemployment Rate (SA) <sup>2</sup>	3.5%	3.6%	-0.1	3.6%	4.5%
Ins. Unemployment Rate (NSA) <sup>2</sup>	2.9%	3.0%	-0.1	3.1%	3.8%

#### INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	Sept. 25	Sept. 18	Change	Prior1 Year
Federal Employees	3,597	4,170	-573	1,515
Newly Discharged Veterans	2,844	2,811	+33	2,431

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

WEEK ENDING	Sept. 18	Sept. 11	Change	Prior1 Year
Federal Employees	29,680	29,784	-104	19,553
Newly Discharged Veterans	40,773	40,898	-125	30,593
Railroad Retirement Board	4,000	4,000	0	10,000
Extended Benefits	1,011,919	913,113	+98,806	640,956
EUC 2008 <sup>3</sup>	4,123,513	3,965,778	+157,735	3,358,689

#### FOOTNOTES

**SA - Seasonally Adjusted Data****NSA - Not Seasonally Adjusted Data**<sup>1</sup> - Prior year is comparable to most recent data.<sup>2</sup> - Most recent week used covered employment of 126,763,245 as denominator.<sup>3</sup> - EUC weekly claims include first, second, third, and fourth tier activity.

UNADJUSTED INITIAL CLAIMS FOR WEEK ENDED 09/25/2010

## STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

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<u>State</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>State Supplied Comment</u>
NY	-3,703	Fewer layoffs in the construction and service industries.
IL	-2,381	No comment.
GA	-2,314	Fewer layoffs in the construction, trade, service, and manufacturing industries.
NC	-2,078	Fewer layoffs in the construction, industrial machinery, computer equipment, and furniture industries.
TN	-1,656	Fewer layoffs in the trade and service industries.
NJ	-1,431	Fewer layoffs in the construction, trade, service, and manufacturing industries.
OH	-1,346	Fewer layoffs in the automobile industry.
WA	-1,068	No comment.

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## STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

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<u>State</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>State Supplied Comment</u>
CA	+8,960	Layoffs in the service industry.

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[State Detail Prior Week](#)[UI Claims Series 1967 to current](#)

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