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

In the week ending Oct. 16, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 452,000, a decrease of 23,000 from the previous week's revised figure of 475,000. The 4-week moving average was 458,000, a decrease of 4,250 from the previous week's revised average of 462,250.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 3.5 percent for the week ending Oct. 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 Oct. 9 was 4,441,000, a decrease of 9,000 from the preceding week's revised level of 4,450,000. The 4-week moving average was 4,478,000, a decrease of 23,250 from the preceding week's revised average of 4,501,250.

UNADJUSTED DATA

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 391,737 in the week ending Oct. 16, a decrease of 71,303 from the previous week. There were 460,269 initial claims in the comparable week in 2009.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 2.9 percent during the week ending Oct. 9, unchanged from the prior week. The advance unadjusted number for persons claiming UI benefits in state programs totaled 3,686,287, a decrease of 25,353 from the preceding week. A year earlier, the rate was 3.7 percent and the volume was 4,916,574.

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 Oct. 2.

Initial claims for UI benefits by former Federal civilian employees totaled 10,756 in the week ending Oct. 9, an increase of 5,912 from the prior week. There were 3,158 initial claims by newly discharged veterans, an increase of 463 from the preceding week.

There were 32,134 former Federal civilian employees claiming UI benefits for the week ending Oct. 2, an increase of 118 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 41,040, a decrease of 901 from the prior week.

States reported 4,040,113 persons claiming EUC (Emergency Unemployment Compensation) benefits for the week ending Oct. 2, an increase of 152,112 from the prior week. There were 3,428,585 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 Oct. 2 were in Puerto Rico (6.4 percent), Alaska (4.4), Nevada (4.0), California (3.9), New Jersey (3.9), Oregon (3.9), Pennsylvania (3.8), Connecticut (3.6), South Carolina (3.5), and Illinois (3.4).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending Oct. 9 were in New York (+8,558), North Carolina (+8,470), California (+7,929), Florida (+7,229), and Pennsylvania (+5,682), while the largest decreases were in the Virgin Islands (-34), and Hawaii (-17).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

| WEEK ENDING | Advance | | Change | Oct. 2 | Prior1 Year |
|---|-----------|-----------|---------|-----------|----------------|
| | Oct. 16 | Oct. 9 | | | |
| Initial Claims (SA) | 452,000 | 475,000 | -23,000 | 449,000 | 535,000 |
| Initial Claims (NSA) | 391,737 | 463,040 | -71,303 | 373,681 | 460,269 |
| 4-Wk Moving Average (SA) | 458,000 | 462,250 | -4,250 | 456,750 | 533,250 |
| WEEK ENDING | Advance | | Change | Sept. 25 | Prior1 Year |
| | Oct. 9. | Oct. 2 | | | |
| Ins. Unemployment (SA) | 4,441,000 | 4,450,000 | -9,000 | 4,511,000 | 5,888,000 |
| Ins. Unemployment (NSA) | 3,686,287 | 3,711,640 | -25,353 | 3,779,896 | 4,916,574 |
| 4-Wk Moving Average (SA) | 4,478,000 | 4,501,250 | -23,250 | 4,523,000 | 5,959,750 |
| Ins. Unemployment Rate (SA) ² | 3.5% | 3.5% | 0.0 | 3.6% | 4.5% |
| Ins. Unemployment Rate (NSA) ² | 2.9% | 2.9% | 0.0 | 3.0% | 3.7% |

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

| WEEK ENDING | Oct. 9 | Oct. 2 | Change | Prior1 Year |
|---------------------------|--------|--------|--------|----------------|
| | | | | |
| Federal Employees | 10,756 | 4,844 | +5,912 | 2,261 |
| Newly Discharged Veterans | 3,158 | 2,695 | +463 | 2,700 |

PERSONS CLAIMING UI BENEFITS IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

| WEEK ENDING | Oct. 2 | Sept. 25 | Change | Prior1 Year |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------------|
| | | | | |
| Federal Employees | 32,134 | 32,016 | +118 | 20,149 |
| Newly Discharged Veterans | 41,040 | 41,941 | -901 | 30,780 |
| Railroad Retirement Board | 3,000 | 3,000 | 0 | 11,000 |
| Extended Benefits | 1,033,717 | 907,298 | +126,419 | 634,601 |
| EUC 2008 ³ | 4,040,113 | 3,888,001 | +152,112 | 3,428,585 |

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 125,845,577 as denominator.³ - EUC weekly claims include first, second, third, and fourth tier activity.

UNADJUSTED INITIAL CLAIMS FOR WEEK ENDED 10/09/2010

STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

| <u>State</u> | <u>Change</u> | <u>State Supplied Comment</u> |
|--------------|---------------|-------------------------------|
| None | | |

STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

| <u>State</u> | <u>Change</u> | <u>State Supplied Comment</u> |
|--------------|---------------|---|
| UT | +1,089 | No comment. |
| MA | +1,192 | No comment. |
| AK | +1,226 | No comment. |
| NJ | +1,312 | Layoffs in the construction, trade, service, and manufacturing industries. |
| VA | +1,328 | Layoffs in the construction industry. |
| CO | +1,346 | No comment. |
| AL | +1,454 | Layoffs in the construction and primary metals industries. |
| TN | +1,512 | Layoffs in the trade, service, and industrial machinery industries. |
| MO | +1,665 | Layoffs in the service industry. |
| SC | +1,690 | Layoffs in the service and textile industries. |
| AZ | +2,048 | No comment. |
| IN | +2,075 | Layoffs in the automobile industry. |
| AR | +2,211 | No comment. |
| WA | +2,319 | Layoffs in the construction, public administration, and manufacturing industries. |
| GA | +2,336 | Layoffs in the construction and service industries. |
| MI | +2,652 | No comment. |
| IL | +2,665 | No comment. |
| MD | +2,857 | No comment. |
| OH | +3,003 | Layoffs in the manufacturing industry. |
| TX | +4,671 | Layoffs in the service and manufacturing industries. |
| PA | +5,682 | Layoffs in the construction, trade, and service industries. |
| FL | +7,229 | Layoffs in the construction, trade, service, and manufacturing industries, and agriculture. |
| CA | +7,929 | Layoffs in the service industry. |
| NC | +8,470 | Layoffs in the service, transportation, warehousing, textile, and petroleum |

industries.

NY +8,558 Layoffs in the construction, service, and manufacturing industries.

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