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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS REPORT

Special Factor: Minnesota has indicated that approximately 2,500 of their reported initial claims are a result of state employees filing due to the state government shutdown.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

In the week ending July 2, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 418,000, a decrease of 14,000 from the previous week's revised figure of 432,000. The 4-week moving average was 424,750, a decrease of 3,000 from the previous week's revised average of 427,750.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 2.9 percent for the week ending June 25, a decrease of 0.1 percentage point from the prior week's revised rate of 3.0 percent.

The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending June 25 was 3,681,000, a decrease of 43,000 from the preceding week's revised level of 3,724,000. The 4-week moving average was 3,705,250, a decrease of 3,750 from the preceding week's revised average of 3,709,000.

UNADJUSTED DATA

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 416,798 in the week ending July 2, an increase of 10,165 from the previous week. There were 470,366 initial claims in the comparable week in 2010.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 2.8 percent during the week ending June 25, unchanged from the prior week. The advance unadjusted number for persons claiming UI benefits in state programs totaled 3,526,384, an increase of 14,968 from the preceding week. A year earlier, the rate was 3.4 percent and the volume was 4,309,375.

The total number of people claiming benefits in all programs for the week ending June 18 was 7,459,561, a decrease of 61,327 from the previous week.

Extended benefits were available in Alabama, 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, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Washington, and West Virginia, during the week ending June 18.

Initial claims for UI benefits by former Federal civilian employees totaled 2,335 in the week ending June 25, a decrease of 38 from the prior week. There were 2,766 initial claims by newly discharged veterans, an increase of 182 from the preceding week.

There were 23,936 former Federal civilian employees claiming UI benefits for the week ending June 18, an increase of 1,572 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 36,616, a decrease of 100 from the prior week.

States reported 3,256,523 persons claiming EUC (Emergency Unemployment Compensation) benefits for the week ending June 18, a decrease of 44,183 from the prior week. There were 4,160,150 claimants in the comparable week in 2010. EUC weekly claims include first, second, third, and fourth tier activity.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending June 18 were in Puerto Rico (4.7), Alaska (4.2), Pennsylvania (4.0), Oregon (3.9), California (3.7), Nevada (3.6), Arizona (3.4), Connecticut (3.4), Illinois (3.4), and New Jersey (3.4).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending June 25 were in New Jersey (+6,827), California (+5,375), Massachusetts (+3,816), New York (+2,591), and Connecticut (+2,097) while the largest decreases were in Pennsylvania (-4,974), Puerto Rico (-1,332), North Carolina (-1,316), Georgia (-975) and the Virgin Islands (-927).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

WEEK ENDING	Advance July 2	June 25	Change	June 18	Prior Year ¹
Initial Claims (SA)	418,000	432,000	-14,000	429,000	460,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	416,798	406,633	+10,165	394,286	470,366
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	424,750	427,750	-3,000	426,250	467,250

WEEK ENDING	Advance June 25	June 18	Change	June 11	Prior Year ¹
Ins. Unemployment (SA)	3,681,000	3,724,000	-43,000	3,714,000	4,466,000
Ins. Unemployment (NSA)	3,526,384	3,511,416	+14,968	3,491,533	4,309,375
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	3,705,250	3,709,000	-3,750	3,714,750	4,555,500
Ins. Unemployment Rate (SA) ²	2.9	3.0	-0.1	3.0	3.5
Ins. Unemployment Rate (NSA) ²	2.8	2.8	0.0	2.8	3.4

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	June 25	June 18	Change	Prior Year ¹
Federal Employees	2,335	2,373	-38	2,377
Newly Discharged Veterans	2,766	2,584	182	2,762

PERSONS CLAIMING UI BENEFITS IN ALL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	June 18	June 11	Change	Prior Year ¹
Regular State	3,498,922	3,480,904	18,018	4,313,132
Federal Employees (UCFE)	23,936	22,364	1,572	18,993
Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX)	36,616	36,716	-100	37,948
EUC 2008 ³	3,256,523	3,300,706	-44,183	4,160,150
Extended Benefits ⁴	589,981	634,171	-44,190	444,413
State Additional Benefits ⁵	5,623	5,844	-221	5,457
STC / Workshare ⁶	47,960	40,183	7,777	60,140
TOTAL	7,459,561	7,520,888	-61,327	9,040,233

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 125,572,661 as denominator.
- ³ EUC weekly claims include first, second, third, and fourth tier activity. Tier-specific EUC data can be found here: http://ows.doleta.gov/unemploy/docs/persons.xls
- ⁴ Information on the EB program can be found here: http://www.ows.doleta.gov/unemploy/extenben.asp
- ⁵ Some states maintain additional benefit programs for those claimants who exhaust regular, extended and emergency benefits. Information on states that participate and the extent of benefits can be found starting on page 4-5 of this link: http://ows.doleta.gov/unemploy/pdf/uilawcompar/2010/special.pdf
- ⁶ Information on STC/Worksharing can be found starting on page 4-9 of the following link: http://ows.doleta.gov/unemploy/pdf/uilawcompar/2010/special.pdf

UNADJUSTED INITIAL CLAIMS FOR WEEK ENDED 06/25/2011

STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

<u>State</u>	<u>Change</u>	State Supplied Comment
PA	-4,974	Fewer layoffs in the transportation, entertainment, and service industries.
PR	-1,332	No comment.
NC	-1,316	Fewer layoffs in the stone, clay, glass,concrete, and textile industries, also in educational services.

STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

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MD	+1,069	No comment.
MI	+1,175	Layoffs in the automobile industry.
OR	+1,236	Lavoff in the education service.

CT	+2,097	No comment.
NY	+2,591	Layoffs in the service industries.
MA	+3,816	Layoffs in the transportation, and trade industries, also in the education services.
CA	+5,375	Layoff in the service industry.
NJ	+6,827	Layoffs in the transportation, warehousing industries and education services.

State Detail Prior Week

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