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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS REPORT

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

In the week ending November 5, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 390,000, a decrease of 10,000 from the previous week's revised figure of 400,000. The 4-week moving average was 400,000, a decrease of 5,250 from the previous week's revised average of 405,250.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 2.9 percent for the week ending October 29, unchanged from the prior week's unrevised rate.

The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending October 29 was 3,615,000, a decrease of 92,000 from the preceding week's revised level of 3,707,000. The 4-week moving average was 3,690,250, a decrease of 19,500 from the preceding week's revised average of 3,709,750.

UNADJUSTED DATA

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 398,753 in the week ending November 5, an increase of 29,106 from the previous week. There were 452,657 initial claims in the comparable week in 2010.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 2.5 percent during the week ending October 29, unchanged from the prior week's unrevised rate. The advance unadjusted number for persons claiming UI benefits in state programs totaled 3,166,982, a decrease of 32,545 from the preceding week. A year earlier, the rate was 3.0 percent and the volume was 3,783,097.

The total number of people claiming benefits in all programs for the week ending October 22 was 6,835,604, an increase of 51,990 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, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Washington, West Virginia, and Wisconsin during the week ending October 22.

Initial claims for UI benefits by former Federal civilian employees totaled 2,606 in the week ending October 29, an increase of 287 from the prior week. There were 2,712 initial claims by newly discharged veterans, an increase of 42 from the preceding week.

There were 28,657 former Federal civilian employees claiming UI benefits for the week ending October 22, a decrease of 572 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 41,066, a decrease of 20 from the prior week.

States reported 2,953,824 persons claiming EUC (Emergency Unemployment Compensation) benefits for the week ending October 22, an increase of 8,182 from the prior week. There were 3,900,038 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 October 22 were in Puerto Rico (4.8), Alaska (4.5), Oregon (3.6), California (3.5), Pennsylvania (3.5), Virgin Islands (3.4), New Jersey (3.3), Nevada (3.2), Arkansas (3.1), and Connecticut (3.1).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending October 29 were in Michigan (+1,467), Wisconsin (+1,320), Oregon (+919), Minnesota (+783), and Florida (+674) while the largest decreases were in California (-5,633), New York (-1,661), North Carolina (-1,659), Tennessee (-1,302), and Nevada (-894).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

WEEK ENDING	Advance Nov. 5	Oct. 29	Change	Oct. 22	Prior Year ¹
Initial Claims (SA)	390,000	400,000	-10,000	406,000	436,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	398,753	369,647	+29,106	377,156	452,657
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	400,000	405,250	-5,250	406,500	444,250
WEEK ENDING	Advance Oct. 29	Oct. 22	Change	Oct. 15	Prior Year ¹
Ins. Unemployment (SA)	3,615,000	3,707,000	-92,000	3,700,000	4,314,000
Ins. Unemployment (NSA)	3,166,982	3,199,527	-32,545	3,196,554	3,783,097
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	3,690,250	3,709,750	-19,500	3,714,250	4,359,250
Ins. Unemployment Rate (SA)²	2.9%	2.9%	0.0	2.9%	3.4%
Ins. Unemployment Rate (NSA)²	2.5%	2.5%	0.0	2.5%	3.0%

INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	Oct. 29	Oct. 22	Change	Prior Year ¹
Federal Employees	2,606	2,319	+287	3,769
Newly Discharged Veterans	2,712	2,670	+42	2,505

PERSONS CLAIMING UI BENEFITS IN ALL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	Oct. 22	Oct. 15	Change	Prior Year ¹
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Regular State	3,188,365	3,188,368	-3	3,744,373
Federal Employees (UCFE)	28,657	29,229	-572	43,177
Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX)	41,066	41,086	-20	44,459
EUC 2008³	2,953,824	2,945,642	+8,182	3,900,038
Extended Benefits⁴	575,791	540,500	+35,291	911,239
State Additional Benefits⁵	4,753	4,551	+202	4,350
STC / Workshare⁶	43,148	34,238	+8,910	61,192
TOTAL	6,835,604	6,783,614	+51,990	8,708,828

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 126,188,733 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 10/29/2011

STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

<u>State</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>State Supplied Comment</u>
CA	-5,633	Fewer layoffs in the service industry.
NY	-1,661	Fewer layoffs in the educational service, finance and insurance, and service industries.
NC	-1,659	No comment.
TN	-1,302	Fewer layoffs in the service, construction, and manufacturing industries.

STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

<u>State</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>State Supplied Comment</u>
MI	+1,467	Layoffs in the manufacturing and transportation industries.
WI	+1,320	No comment.

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