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

In the week ending April 20, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 339,000, a decrease of 16,000 from the previous week's revised figure of 355,000. The 4-week moving average was 357,500, a decrease of 4,500 from the previous week's revised average of 362,000.

The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 2.3 percent for the week ending April 13, a decrease of 0.1 percentage point from the prior week's unrevised rate. The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending April 13 was 3,000,000, a decrease of 93,000 from the preceding week's revised level of 3,093,000. The 4-week moving average was 3,071,750, a decrease of 17,500 from the preceding week's revised average of 3,089,250.

UNADJUSTED DATA

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 323,529 in the week ending April 20, a decrease of 34,690 from the previous week. There were 370,632 initial claims in the comparable week in 2012.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 2.4 percent during the week ending April 13, a decrease of 0.1 percentage point from the prior week's unrevised rate. The advance unadjusted number for persons claiming UI benefits in state programs totaled 3,096,372, a decrease of 104,847 from the preceding week's revised level of 3,201,219. A year earlier, the rate was 2.7 percent and the volume was 3,425,138.

The total number of people claiming benefits in all programs for the week ending April 6 was 5,071,050, a decrease of 81,605 from the previous week. There were 6,683,265 persons claiming benefits in all programs in the comparable week in 2012.

Extended Benefits were available only in Alaska during the week ending April 6.

Initial claims for UI benefits filed by former Federal civilian employees totaled 1,660 in the week ending April 13, an increase of 238 from the prior week. There were 2,147 initial claims filed by newly discharged veterans, a decrease of 73 from the preceding week.

There were 18,708 former Federal civilian employees claiming UI benefits for the week ending April 6, a decrease of 123 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 36,743, a decrease of 793 from the prior week.

States reported 1,790,316 persons claiming EUC (Emergency Unemployment Compensation) benefits for the week ending April 6, an increase of 7,761 from the prior week. There were 2,729,204 persons claiming EUC in the comparable week in 2012. EUC weekly claims include first, second, third, and fourth tier activity.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending April 6 were in Alaska (5.1), Puerto Rico (4.4), New Jersey (3.7), Pennsylvania (3.6), Wisconsin (3.5), California (3.4), Connecticut (3.4), Illinois (3.4), Oregon (3.2), and Rhode Island (3.2).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending April 13 were in California (+24,303), Texas (+3,050), Florida (+2,623), Indiana (+2,372), and Arizona (+1,296), while the largest decreases were in New York (-14,113), Michigan (-5,998), New Jersey (-4,204), Ohio (-3,036), and Illinois (-2,455).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

WEEK ENDING	Advance April 20	April 13	Change	April 6	Prior Year ¹
Initial Claims (SA)	339,000	355,000	-16,000	348,000	381,000
Initial Claims (NSA)	323,529	358,219	-34,690	356,242	370,632
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	357,500	362,000	-4,500	358,500	378,500
WEEK ENDING	Advance April 13	April 6	Change	March 30	Prior Year ¹
Ins. Unemployment (SA)	3,000,000	3,093,000	-93,000	3,103,000	3,345,000
Ins. Unemployment (NSA)	3,096,372	3,201,219	-104,847	3,292,169	3,425,138
4-Wk Moving Average (SA)	3,071,750	3,089,250	-17,500	3,085,250	3,334,750
Ins. Unemployment Rate (SA)²	2.3%	2.4%	-0.1	2.4%	2.6%

Ins. Unemployment Rate (NSA)²	2.4%	2.5%	-0.1	2.6%	2.7%
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INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	April 13	April 6	Change	Prior Year ¹
Federal Employees	1,660	1,422	+238	1,189
Newly Discharged Veterans	2,147	2,220	-73	2,349

PERSONS CLAIMING UI BENEFITS IN ALL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

WEEK ENDING	April 6	March 30	Change	Prior Year ¹
Regular State	3,194,237	3,287,035	-92,798	3,438,628
Federal Employees (UCFE)	18,708	18,831	-123	21,340
Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX)	36,743	37,536	-793	40,562
EUC 2008³	1,790,316	1,782,555	+7,761	2,729,204
Extended Benefits⁴	329	463	-134	412,411
State Additional Benefits⁵	5,596	5,677	-81	4,483
STC / Workshare⁶	25,121	20,558	+4,563	36,637
TOTAL	5,071,050	5,152,655	-81,605	6,683,265

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 129,204,324 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 paid, 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 04/13/2013

STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
NY	-14,113	Fewer layoffs in the transportation, educational services, and food service industries.
MI	-5,998	Fewer layoffs in the enterprise industry.
NJ	-4,204	Fewer layoffs in the educational services, accommodation and food service, transportation and warehousing, public administration, trade, construction, and manufacturing industries.
OH	-3,036	Fewer layoffs in the manufacturing, transportation, and communication industries.
IL	-2,455	No comment.
OR	-2,025	No comment.
MA	-1,075	Fewer layoffs in the professional services, accommodation and food service, and finance and insurance industries.
WI	-1,018	No comment.

STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

State	Change	State Supplied Comment
CA	+24,303	Layoffs in the service industry.
TX	+3,050	No comment.

FL	+2,623	Layoffs in the manufacturing, construction, service, retail, and trade industries.
IN	+2,372	Layoffs in the manufacturing industry.
AZ	+1,296	No comment.
AK	+1,211	No comment.
SC	+1,200	Layoffs in the metal, manufacturing, and transportation industries.

[State Detail Prior Week](#)
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