

Weekly Analysis

December 20, 2025

Ohio Law initial claims, representing newly unemployed persons, totaled 8,251 last week, a decrease of 5.6 percent from the prior week's figure of 8,736 and a 20.8 percent decrease from the December 2024 weekly average of 10,411. Initial claims under Title 5 of the U.S. Code (UCFE & UCX) totaled 13. Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (PUA) initial claims totaled zero .

Ohio Law continued claims, representing persons unemployed one week or more, totaled 53,316 last week, an increase of 5.1 percent from the prior week's figure of 50,726 and a 17.0 percent decrease from the December 2024 weekly average of 64,269. Continued claims under Title 5 totaled 234. Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) continued claims totaled 6 while PUA continued claims totaled zero. Extended Benefits (EB) continued claims totaled zero.

Category	Weekly Average December 2024	Week Ending December 06	Week Ending December 13	Week Ending December 20	Percent Change	
					Previous Week	Average of Last Year
All Claims	74,862	57,995	59,698	61,814	3.5	-17.4
Initial Claims ^a	10,429	10,125	8,762	8,264	-5.7	-20.8
Regular Ohio Law	10,411	10,099	8,736	8,251	-5.6	-20.8
UCFE	7	14	13	4	...	...
UCX	10	12	13	9	...	...
Continued Claims ^a	64,433	47,870	50,936	53,550	5.1	-16.9
Regular Ohio Law	64,269	47,652	50,726	53,316	5.1	-17.0
UCFE	77	166	156	178	14.1	131.0
UCX	87	52	54	56	3.7	-35.8

Financial Summary ^b	Number	Percent Change ^c
Collections, October 2025	\$92,569,372	...
Gross Benefits Paid, November 2025	\$63,235,759	-6.9
Average Weekly Benefit, November 2025	\$504.57	3.4
Trust Fund Balance as of October 31, 2025	\$2,018,876,288	...

^aIncludes agent-state claims, excludes transitionals.

^bRegular Ohio Law. ^cFrom corresponding period, preceding year.

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**INITIAL AND CONTINUED CLAIMS
UNDER REGULAR OHIO UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION LAW
BY COUNTY OF RESIDENCE
WEEK ENDING December 20, 2025**

County	Initial* Claims	Continued Claims	County	Initial* Claims	Continued Claims
Total.....	8,251	53,316			
Adams.....	43	191	Lorain.....	288	1,793
Allen.....	86	500	Lucas.....	328	2,201
Ashland.....	45	239	Madison.....	26	137
Ashtabula.....	129	462	Mahoning.....	163	1,100
Athens.....	39	226	Marion.....	16	195
Auglaize.....	11	128	Medina.....	122	728
Belmont.....	53	212	Meigs.....	22	108
Brown.....	45	221	Mercer.....	18	70
Butler.....	189	1,376	Miami.....	57	403
Carroll.....	21	110	Monroe.....	6	73
Champaign.....	24	113	Montgomery.....	336	2,225
Clark.....	93	493	Morgan.....	38	96
Clermont.....	106	762	Morrow.....	25	137
Clinton.....	47	163	Muskingum.....	92	433
Columbiana.....	66	384	Noble.....	10	64
Coshocton.....	25	113	Ottawa.....	64	450
Crawford.....	28	204	Paulding.....	3	63
Cuyahoga.....	723	5,829	Perry.....	46	179
Darke.....	45	192	Pickaway.....	32	216
Defiance.....	48	163	Pike.....	37	240
Delaware.....	62	654	Portage.....	83	777
Erie.....	75	528	Preble.....	28	147
Fairfield.....	77	546	Putnam.....	20	125
Fayette.....	23	136	Richland.....	97	593
Franklin.....	593	4,769	Ross.....	54	558
Fulton.....	79	325	Sandusky.....	163	372
Gallia.....	27	96	Scioto.....	111	386
Geauga.....	50	408	Seneca.....	46	253
Greene.....	84	505	Shelby.....	17	139
Guernsey.....	42	215	Stark.....	307	1,855
Hamilton.....	464	3,011	Summit.....	356	2,690
Hancock.....	40	224	Trumbull.....	123	1,001
Hardin.....	11	115	Tuscarawas.....	64	344
Harrison.....	11	42	Union.....	24	196
Henry.....	44	219	Van Wert.....	15	78
Highland.....	46	257	Vinton.....	16	105
Hocking.....	21	174	Warren.....	99	804
Holmes.....	6	58	Washington.....	50	203
Huron.....	93	636	Wayne.....	39	279
Jackson.....	48	206	Williams.....	57	174
Jefferson.....	50	199	Wood.....	78	495
Knox.....	43	200	Wyandot.....	8	80
Lake.....	178	1,365	Out of State	326	1,765
Lawrence.....	21	142	Interstate Agent	172	1,171
Licking.....	84	525			
Logan.....	31	179	Interstate Liable.....	185	1,658

*Transitional claims are excluded from the count of initial claims.

Note: Interstate Liable counts not included in totals.
Source: Weekly Claims file.

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