

Weekly Analysis

February 7, 2026

Ohio Law initial claims, representing newly unemployed persons, totaled 7,956 last week, a decrease of 9.9 percent from the prior week's figure of 8,831 and a 24.1 percent increase from the February 2025 weekly average of 6,413. Initial claims under Title 5 of the U.S. Code (UCFE & UCX) totaled 23. Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (PUA) initial claims totaled zero .

Ohio Law continued claims, representing persons unemployed one week or more, totaled 67,866 last week, an increase of 3.1 percent from the prior week's figure of 65,819 and a 1.9 percent decrease from the February 2025 weekly average of 69,153. Continued claims under Title 5 totaled 190. Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) continued claims totaled 2 while PUA continued claims totaled zero. Extended Benefits (EB) continued claims totaled zero.

Category	Weekly Average February 2025	Week Ending January 24	Week Ending January 31	Week Ending February 07	Percent Change	
					Previous Week	Average of Last Year
All Claims	75,765	72,426	74,868	76,035	1.6	0.4
Initial Claims ^a	6,439	6,868	8,847	7,979	-9.8	23.9
Regular Ohio Law	6,413	6,853	8,831	7,956	-9.9	24.1
UCFE	18	3	8	16
UCX	8	12	8	7
Continued Claims ^a	69,326	65,558	66,021	68,056	3.1	-1.8
Regular Ohio Law	69,153	65,349	65,819	67,866	3.1	-1.9
UCFE	89	154	145	133	-8.3	49.0
UCX	84	55	57	57	0.0	-31.7

Financial Summary ^b	Number	Percent Change ^c
Collections, December 2025	\$4,999,672	...
Gross Benefits Paid, December 2025	\$98,076,264	0.4
Average Weekly Benefit, December 2025	\$514.31	4.8
Trust Fund Balance as of December 31, 2025	\$1,913,025,704	...

^aIncludes agent-state claims, excludes transitionals.

^dRegular 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 February 07, 2026**

County	Initial* Claims	Continued Claims	County	Initial* Claims	Continued Claims
Total.....	7,956	67,866			
Adams.....	55	291	Lorain.....	270	2,360
Allen.....	65	567	Lucas.....	318	2,572
Ashland.....	37	353	Madison.....	24	180
Ashtabula.....	58	655	Mahoning.....	175	1,947
Athens.....	45	368	Marion.....	27	235
Auglaize.....	20	133	Medina.....	103	987
Belmont.....	34	327	Meigs.....	30	201
Brown.....	50	330	Mercer.....	11	116
Butler.....	182	1,663	Miami.....	51	499
Carroll.....	21	162	Monroe.....	16	101
Champaign.....	24	189	Montgomery.....	307	2,685
Clark.....	72	710	Morgan.....	40	180
Clermont.....	152	1,058	Morrow.....	27	222
Clinton.....	27	244	Muskingum.....	109	661
Columbiana.....	80	563	Noble.....	14	98
Coshocton.....	15	169	Ottawa.....	42	548
Crawford.....	25	237	Paulding.....	5	49
Cuyahoga.....	755	6,717	Perry.....	45	319
Darke.....	38	343	Pickaway.....	43	328
Defiance.....	27	154	Pike.....	30	326
Delaware.....	89	765	Portage.....	92	995
Erie.....	73	677	Preble.....	25	217
Fairfield.....	80	691	Putnam.....	19	185
Fayette.....	17	168	Richland.....	86	766
Franklin.....	744	5,436	Ross.....	57	645
Fulton.....	89	337	Sandusky.....	34	485
Gallia.....	25	161	Scioto.....	61	562
Geauga.....	35	512	Seneca.....	41	299
Greene.....	77	587	Shelby.....	27	183
Guernsey.....	52	344	Stark.....	243	2,289
Hamilton.....	403	3,353	Summit.....	335	3,228
Hancock.....	53	258	Trumbull.....	121	1,863
Hardin.....	19	129	Tuscarawas.....	66	521
Harrison.....	10	89	Union.....	23	242
Henry.....	24	276	Van Wert.....	12	102
Highland.....	28	342	Vinton.....	14	155
Hocking.....	55	239	Warren.....	92	945
Holmes.....	6	72	Washington.....	35	303
Huron.....	59	852	Wayne.....	58	420
Jackson.....	48	294	Williams.....	34	160
Jefferson.....	52	310	Wood.....	76	616
Knox.....	44	317	Wyandot.....	10	97
Lake.....	137	1,684	Out of State	360	2,335
Lawrence.....	25	183	Interstate Agent	198	1,427
Licking.....	109	690			
Logan.....	15	213	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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