

Weekly Analysis

May 30, 2026

Ohio Law initial claims, representing newly unemployed persons, totaled 6,106 last week, an increase of 28.4 percent from the prior week's figure of 4,754 and a 4.8 percent increase from the May 2025 weekly average of 5,826. Initial claims under Title 5 of the U.S. Code (UCFE & UCX) totaled 7. Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (PUA) initial claims totaled zero.

Ohio Law continued claims, representing persons unemployed one week or more, totaled 39,587 last week, a decrease of 2.4 percent from the prior week's figure of 40,551 and a 9.2 percent decrease from the May 2025 weekly average of 43,597. Continued claims under Title 5 totaled 130. Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) continued claims totaled 3 while PUA continued claims totaled zero. Extended Benefits (EB) continued claims totaled zero.

Category	Weekly Average May 2025	Week Ending May 16	Week Ending May 23	Week Ending May 30	Percent Change	
					Previous Week	Average of Last Year
All Claims	49,590	45,638	45,462	45,830	0.8	-7.6
Initial Claims ^a	5,844	5,666	4,773	6,113	28.1	4.6
Regular Ohio Law	5,826	5,654	4,754	6,106	28.4	4.8
UCFE	10	4	12	3	...	...
UCX	8	8	7	4	...	...
Continued Claims ^a	43,746	39,972	40,689	39,717	-2.4	-9.2
Regular Ohio Law	43,597	39,840	40,551	39,587	-2.4	-9.2
UCFE	88	78	81	74	-8.6	-15.9
UCX	62	54	57	56	-1.8	-9.1

Financial Summary ^b	Number	Percent Change ^c
Collections, April 2026	\$593,735,021	...
Gross Benefits Paid, April 2026	\$79,696,328	-12.4
Average Weekly Benefit, April 2026	\$524.36	5.8
Trust Fund Balance as of April 30, 2026	\$1,743,268,534	...

^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 May 30, 2026**

County	Initial* Claims	Continued Claims	County	Initial* Claims	Continued Claims
Total.....	6,106	39,587			
Adams.....	17	84	Lorain.....	195	1,067
Allen.....	38	279	Lucas.....	349	2,068
Ashland.....	16	107	Madison.....	16	75
Ashtabula.....	22	249	Mahoning.....	109	1,246
Athens.....	20	127	Marion.....	21	146
Auglaize.....	13	76	Medina.....	52	514
Belmont.....	33	133	Meigs.....	21	50
Brown.....	26	141	Mercer.....	4	52
Butler.....	362	1,145	Miami.....	39	252
Carroll.....	7	65	Monroe.....	5	27
Champaign.....	4	86	Montgomery.....	276	1,847
Clark.....	81	413	Morgan.....	10	39
Clermont.....	221	652	Morrow.....	13	80
Clinton.....	14	103	Muskingum.....	31	234
Columbiana.....	39	259	Noble.....	4	21
Coshocton.....	13	96	Ottawa.....	16	114
Crawford.....	23	111	Paulding.....	4	31
Cuyahoga.....	552	4,692	Perry.....	12	99
Darke.....	22	179	Pickaway.....	18	162
Defiance.....	25	86	Pike.....	26	91
Delaware.....	55	564	Portage.....	45	465
Erie.....	27	245	Preble.....	20	95
Fairfield.....	87	433	Putnam.....	8	62
Fayette.....	30	83	Richland.....	35	331
Franklin.....	532	4,457	Ross.....	31	206
Fulton.....	56	145	Sandusky.....	21	186
Gallia.....	24	61	Scioto.....	45	272
Geauga.....	32	205	Seneca.....	19	128
Greene.....	56	417	Shelby.....	12	95
Guernsey.....	12	94	Stark.....	218	1,140
Hamilton.....	421	2,784	Summit.....	296	1,887
Hancock.....	29	170	Trumbull.....	118	1,213
Hardin.....	15	64	Tuscarawas.....	26	185
Harrison.....	7	39	Union.....	16	142
Henry.....	16	65	Van Wert.....	13	47
Highland.....	21	174	Vinton.....	23	30
Hocking.....	6	102	Warren.....	92	709
Holmes.....	3	20	Washington.....	21	135
Huron.....	17	162	Wayne.....	22	188
Jackson.....	83	80	Williams.....	45	92
Jefferson.....	38	189	Wood.....	50	381
Knox.....	41	131	Wyandot.....	5	53
Lake.....	75	700	Out of State	187	1,305
Lawrence.....	44	126	Interstate Agent	169	848
Licking.....	53	498			
Logan.....	20	86	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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