

Weekly Analysis

July 25, 2026

Ohio Law initial claims, representing newly unemployed persons, totaled 5,055 last week, an increase of 14.2 percent from the prior week's figure of 4,425 and a 7.6 percent decrease from the July 2025 weekly average of 5,473. Initial claims under Title 5 of the U.S. Code (UCFE & UCX) totaled 5. Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (PUA) initial claims totaled zero .

Ohio Law continued claims, representing persons unemployed one week or more, totaled 41,229 last week, a decrease of 5.8 percent from the prior week's figure of 43,752 and a 8.1 percent decrease from the July 2025 weekly average of 44,845. Continued claims under Title 5 totaled 135. Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) continued claims totaled 10 while PUA continued claims totaled zero. Extended Benefits (EB) continued claims totaled zero.

Category	Weekly Average July 2025	Week Ending July 11	Week Ending July 18	Week Ending July 25	Percent Change	
					Previous Week	Average of Last Year
All Claims	50,495	50,276	48,318	46,424	-3.9	-8.1
Initial Claims ^a	5,490	5,759	4,438	5,060	14.0	-7.8
Regular Ohio Law	5,473	5,743	4,425	5,055	14.2	-7.6
UCFE	10	6	5	1	...	...
UCX	7	10	8	4	...	...
Continued Claims ^a	45,006	44,517	43,880	41,364	-5.7	-8.1
Regular Ohio Law	44,845	44,401	43,752	41,229	-5.8	-8.1
UCFE	92	64	64	67	4.7	-27.0
UCX	69	52	64	68	6.3	-1.3

Financial Summary ^b	Number	Percent Change ^c
Collections, May 2026	\$43,515,794	...
Gross Benefits Paid, June 2026	\$77,970,916	-1.9
Average Weekly Benefit, June 2026	\$508.59	5.3
Trust Fund Balance as of May 31, 2026	\$2,204,389,379	...

^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 July 25, 2026**

County	Initial* Claims	Continued Claims	County	Initial* Claims	Continued Claims
Total.....	5,055	41,229			
Adams.....	6	101	Lorain.....	126	1,179
Allen.....	27	307	Lucas.....	970	1,857
Ashland.....	6	102	Madison.....	12	90
Ashtabula.....	32	246	Mahoning.....	86	874
Athens.....	15	122	Marion.....	16	150
Auglaize.....	9	86	Medina.....	37	489
Belmont.....	20	132	Meigs.....	8	59
Brown.....	17	136	Mercer.....	2	37
Butler.....	134	1,448	Miami.....	30	233
Carroll.....	9	60	Monroe.....	5	35
Champaign.....	5	108	Montgomery.....	196	1,896
Clark.....	31	408	Morgan.....	5	38
Clermont.....	53	785	Morrow.....	8	69
Clinton.....	10	100	Muskingum.....	27	245
Columbiana.....	21	260	Noble.....	4	30
Coshocton.....	11	76	Ottawa.....	34	119
Crawford.....	14	145	Paulding.....	1	31
Cuyahoga.....	501	5,062	Perry.....	7	102
Darke.....	14	168	Pickaway.....	17	165
Defiance.....	6	118	Pike.....	13	87
Delaware.....	49	612	Portage.....	45	476
Erie.....	26	239	Preble.....	15	120
Fairfield.....	39	462	Putnam.....	9	99
Fayette.....	8	104	Richland.....	33	306
Franklin.....	465	4,663	Ross.....	21	208
Fulton.....	28	134	Sandusky.....	29	170
Gallia.....	9	74	Scioto.....	34	280
Geauga.....	15	201	Seneca.....	14	151
Greene.....	40	451	Shelby.....	8	99
Guernsey.....	12	122	Stark.....	116	1,156
Hamilton.....	311	3,330	Summit.....	190	1,999
Hancock.....	16	211	Trumbull.....	61	892
Hardin.....	8	69	Tuscarawas.....	30	202
Harrison.....	4	46	Union.....	22	197
Henry.....	6	94	Van Wert.....	9	57
Highland.....	11	178	Vinton.....	5	29
Hocking.....	5	88	Warren.....	51	765
Holmes.....	6	17	Washington.....	10	145
Huron.....	13	212	Wayne.....	17	192
Jackson.....	11	96	Williams.....	10	83
Jefferson.....	29	211	Wood.....	111	410
Knox.....	9	128	Wyandot.....	7	46
Lake.....	59	789	Out of State	286	1,159
Lawrence.....	21	139	Interstate Agent	119	938
Licking.....	51	524			
Logan.....	7	101	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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