

Weekly Analysis

August 8, 2026

Ohio Law initial claims, representing newly unemployed persons, totaled 4,166 last week, a decrease of 5.7 percent from the prior week's figure of 4,417 and a 16.8 percent decrease from the August 2025 weekly average of 5,007. Initial claims under Title 5 of the U.S. Code (UCFE & UCX) totaled 14. Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (PUA) initial claims totaled zero.

Ohio Law continued claims, representing persons unemployed one week or more, totaled 41,543 last week, a decrease of 1.7 percent from the prior week's figure of 42,262 and a 6.9 percent decrease from the August 2025 weekly average of 44,638. Continued claims under Title 5 totaled 136. Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) continued claims totaled 14 while PUA continued claims totaled zero. Extended Benefits (EB) continued claims totaled zero.

Category	Weekly Average Aug 2025	Week Ending July 25	Week Ending Aug 01	Week Ending Aug 08	Percent Change	
					Previous Week	Average of Last Year
All Claims	49,877	46,424	46,817	45,859	-2.0	-8.1
Initial Claims ^a	5,026	5,060	4,430	4,180	-5.6	-16.8
Regular Ohio Law	5,007	5,055	4,417	4,166	-5.7	-16.8
UCFE	10	1	5	4	...	...
UCX	9	4	8	10	...	...
Continued Claims ^a	44,851	41,364	42,387	41,679	-1.7	-7.1
Regular Ohio Law	44,638	41,229	42,262	41,543	-1.7	-6.9
UCFE	124	67	62	76	22.6	-38.7
UCX	89	68	63	60	-4.8	-32.4

Financial Summary ^b	Number	Percent Change ^c
Collections, June 2026	\$4,139,523	...
Gross Benefits Paid, June 2026	\$77,970,916	-1.9
Average Weekly Benefit, June 2026	\$508.59	5.3
Trust Fund Balance as of June 30, 2026	\$2,147,610,903	...

^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 August 08, 2026**

County	Initial* Claims	Continued Claims	County	Initial* Claims	Continued Claims
Total.....	4,166	41,543			
Adams.....	11	116	Lorain.....	17	143
Allen.....	2	86	Lucas.....	45	511
Ashland.....	15	131	Madison.....	9	60
Ashtabula.....	18	137	Mahoning.....	7	37
Athens.....	136	1,397	Marion.....	17	251
Auglaize.....	9	53	Medina.....	8	34
Belmont.....	11	105	Meigs.....	201	1,925
Brown.....	36	396	Mercer.....	6	44
Butler.....	70	787	Miami.....	5	82
Carroll.....	12	97	Monroe.....	28	225
Champaign.....	35	287	Montgomery.....	4	29
Clark.....	9	83	Morgan.....	6	124
Clermont.....	11	126	Morrow.....	7	30
Clinton.....	493	5,120	Muskingum.....	15	96
Columbiana.....	10	144	Noble.....	21	157
Coshocton.....	7	82	Ottawa.....	7	80
Crawford.....	55	619	Paulding.....	27	476
Cuyahoga.....	25	247	Perry.....	13	126
Darke.....	39	508	Pickaway.....	8	64
Defiance.....	16	100	Pike.....	38	317
Delaware.....	490	4,654	Portage.....	22	202
Erie.....	12	129	Preble.....	20	164
Fairfield.....	7	61	Putnam.....	28	269
Fayette.....	17	196	Richland.....	11	130
Franklin.....	33	454	Ross.....	12	93
Fulton.....	16	116	Sandusky.....	119	1,119
Gallia.....	345	3,356	Scioto.....	179	1,999
Geauga.....	22	176	Seneca.....	61	729
Greene.....	8	68	Shelby.....	26	203
Guernsey.....	5	34	Stark.....	25	201
Hamilton.....	4	72	Summit.....	5	57
Hancock.....	9	171	Trumbull.....	6	26
Hardin.....	7	88	Tuscarawas.....	53	732
Harrison.....	3	19	Union.....	20	151
Henry.....	16	176	Van Wert.....	21	204
Highland.....	11	92	Vinton.....	8	70
Hocking.....	35	201	Warren.....	42	448
Holmes.....	16	131	Washington.....	14	44
Huron.....	71	775	Wayne.....	0	0
Jackson.....	17	152	Williams.....	0	0
Jefferson.....	68	533	Wood.....	120	0
Knox.....	15	98	Wyandot.....	7	42
Lake.....	123	1,141	Out of State	194	1,310
Lawrence.....	203	2,547	Interstate Agent	7	96
Licking.....	14	92			
Logan.....	103	849	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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