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Virginia's Latest Unemployment Insurance Weekly Initial Claims at 2,852; Continued Claims at 14,880

RICHMOND— Virginia Works announced today that 2,852 unemployment insurance weekly **initial claims** were filed during the week ending September 21, 2024, which is 31.8 percent higher than last week's 2,164 claims and 101.3 percent higher than the comparable week of last year (1,417). Nearly 83 percent of claimants self-reported an associated industry; of those reported, the top five industries (68 percent) were Manufacturing (699); Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services (266); Administrative and Support and Waste Management (234); Health Care and Social Assistance (205); and Retail Trade (180).

Continued weeks claims (14,880) were 0.9 percent higher than last week (14,749) and were 16.0 percent higher than the comparable week of last year (12,830). Nearly 93 percent of claimants self-reported an associated industry; of those reported, the top five industries (59 percent) were Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services (2,402); Administrative and Support and Waste Management (2,015); Health Care and Social Assistance (1,422); Retail Trade (1,196); and Manufacturing (1,149).

Significant Layoffs and Announcements are available at the following websites:

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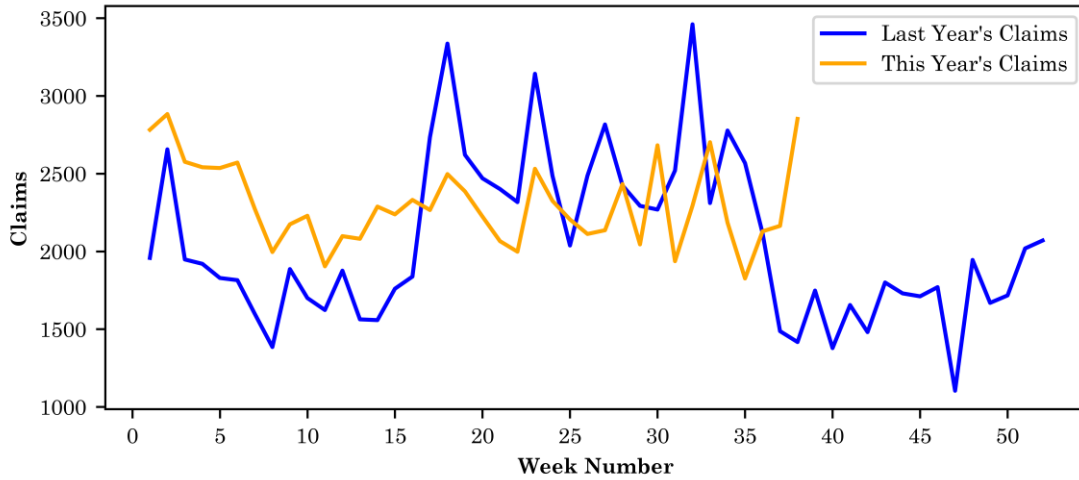
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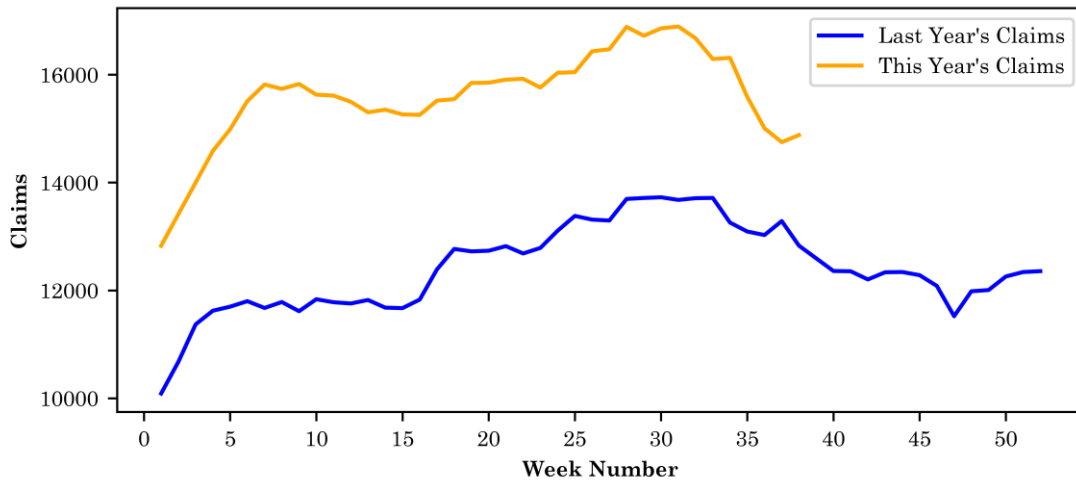
Initial Claims – Comparison of Unemployment Insurance Activity

	Week Ending 09/21/2024	Week Ending 09/14/2024	Week Ending 09/07/2024	Last Year 09/23/2023
Initial Claims	2,852	2,164	2,129	1,417
Initial Change (%)	+688 (+31.8%)	+35 (+1.6%)	+303 (+16.6%)	+1435 (+101.3%)
Continued Claims	14,880	14,749	15,006	12,830

Virginia Initial Claims by Week: Previous and Current year



Virginia Continued Claims by Week: Previous and Current year



Initial Claims for All States

In the week ending September 21, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted initial claims was 218,000, a decrease of 4,000 from the previous week's revised level. The previous week's level was revised up by 3,000 from 219,000 to 222,000. The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 180,878 in the week ending September 21, a decrease of 5,957 (or 3.2 percent) from the previous week. The seasonal factors had expected a decrease of 2,881 (or 1.5 percent) from the previous week. There were 175,650 initial claims in the comparable week in 2023.

Initial State Claims (5 largest decreases) (Not Seasonally Adjusted)			
State	Initial Claims (this week)	Initial Claims (prior week)	Change
Texas	14,055	15,557	-1,502
New York	12,660	14,075	-1,415
South Carolina	1,569	2,309	-740
Massachusetts	4,713	5,307	-594
Wisconsin	3,172	3,682	-510

Initial State Claims (5 largest increases) (Not Seasonally Adjusted)			
State	Initial Claims (this week)	Initial Claims (prior week)	Change
Virginia	2,888	2,164	724
Washington	5,473	4,914	559
California	38,331	37,815	516
Ohio	5,529	5,038	491
Louisiana	1,595	1,321	274

