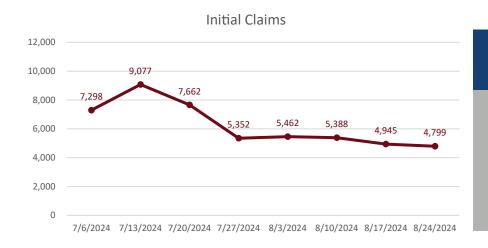


July
Unemployment Rate
Ohio 4.5%
U.S. 4.3%

Ohio Jobless Claims, August 18 - August 24, 2024



Initial Jobless Claims

4,799
Unemployment

8-Week Average:

6,248 Initial Claims



41,563
Unemployment



8-Week Average:

44,093 Continued Claims

46,362Total Claims

July Labor Force Participation Rate
Ohio 62.3%
U.S. 62.7%

Ohio Jobless Claims for Sunday, August 18, 2024, through Saturday, August 24, 2024

This week, the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) provided updated data on unemployment claims filed in Ohio the week of August 18-August 24, 2024. These statistics were shared with the U.S. Department of Labor.

Ohioans filed **4,799 initial unemployment claims** last week, which was **146 fewer** than the previous week. Approximately 703 of those have been flagged for more stringent identity verification, to ensure they are not fraudulent.

Ohioans filed **41,563 continued unemployment claims** last week, which was **1,460 fewer** than the previous week.

The total number of claims filed from August 18-August 24, 2024, was 46,362.

Ohio's unemployment rate in July was **4.5**%. The national unemployment rate in July was **4.3**%. Ohio's labor force participation rate in July was **62.3**%. The national labor force participation rate in July was **62.7**%.

ODJFS works in partnership with local workforce development boards and local staff to provide employment and training services at 88 OhioMeansJobs centers throughout the state. Individuals can visit OhioMeansJobs.com or contact their local OhioMeansJobs center to find and apply for job openings, take skill and career interest assessments, create or improve their resumes, and practice interviewing.

Employers can contact their nearest OhioMeansJobs center to get help finding skilled candidates for jobs, screening resumes, learning about federally funded tax credits or training programs, and more.

To find contact information for your nearest OhioMeansJobs center, visit OhioMeansJobs.com and select "FIND A JOB CENTER" at the bottom of the page.

Additional Unemployment Information

ODJFS urges individuals to file their unemployment claims online, if possible, at unemployment.ohio.gov.

Filing for Unemployment Step-by-Step Guide: <u>ifs.ohio.gov/job-services-and-unemployment/unemployment/for-unemployed-workers/resources/01-quick-tips-and-step-by-step-guide</u>.

Mass-layoff notices are posted at <u>ifs.ohio.gov/job-services-and-unemployment/job-services/job-programs-and-services/submit-a-warn-notice/submit-a-warn-notice-sa-1/submit-a-warn-notice.</u>

Anyone who suspects their identity was compromised and used to file a fraudulent unemployment claim should report it to the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services immediately by visiting <u>unemployment.ohio.gov</u>, clicking on "Report ID Theft/Fraud," and then "Individuals: Report Identity Theft/Fraud." As an alternative, individuals also may call (833) 658-0394.