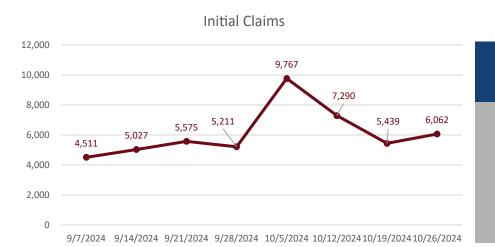


September **Unemployment Rate** Ohio 4.5% 4.1% U.S.

Ohio Jobless Claims, October 20 - October 26, 2024



Initial Jobless Claims

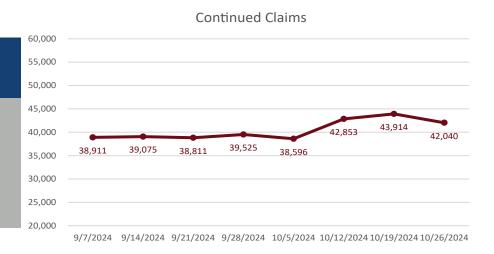
Unemployment

8-Week Average:

6,110 Initial Claims



42,040 Unemployment



8-Week Average:

40,466 Continued Claims

48,102 **Total Claims**

September Labor Force Participation Rate

Ohio 62.4% U.S. 62.7%

Ohio Jobless Claims for Sunday, October 20, 2024, through Saturday, October 26, 2024

This week, the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) provided updated data on unemployment claims filed in Ohio the week of October 20-October 26, 2024. These statistics were shared with the U.S. Department of Labor.

Ohioans filed **6,062 initial unemployment claims** last week, which was **623** <u>more</u> than the previous week. Approximately 699 of those have been flagged for more stringent identity verification, to ensure they are not fraudulent.

Ohioans filed **42,040 continued unemployment claims** last week, which was **1,874** <u>fewer</u> than the previous week.

The total number of claims filed from October 20-October 26, 2024, was 48,102.

Ohio's unemployment rate in September was **4.5**%. The national unemployment rate in September was **4.1**%. Ohio's labor force participation rate in September was **62.4**%. The national labor force participation rate in September 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.