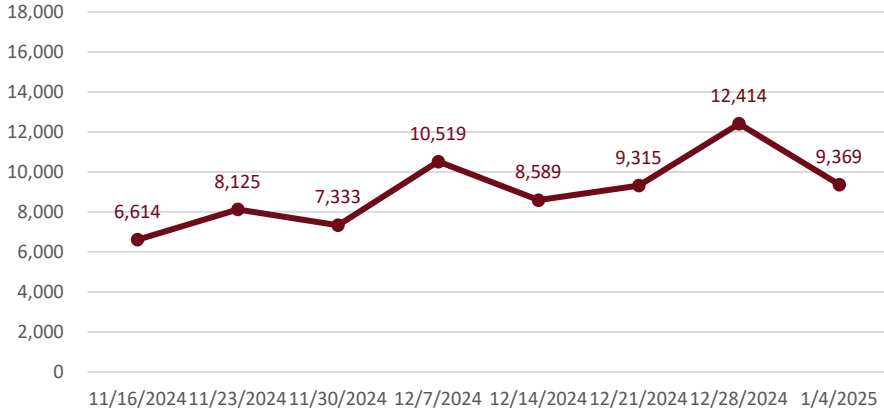




# Ohio Jobless Claims, December 29 - January 4, 2025

Initial Claims



## Initial Jobless Claims

**9,369**  
Unemployment

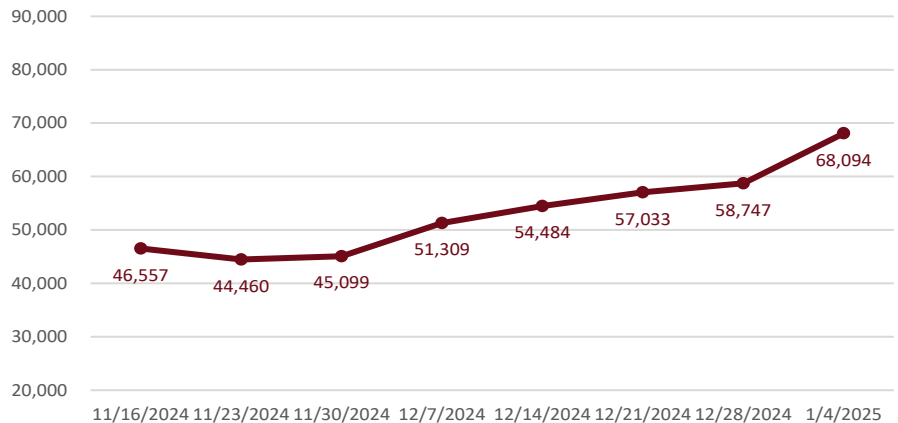
8-Week Average:

**9,035** Initial Claims

## Continued Jobless Claims

**68,094**  
Unemployment

Continued Claims



8-Week Average:

**53,223** Continued Claims

**77,463**  
Total Claims

## November Labor Force Participation Rate

Ohio 62.6%

U.S. 62.5%

## Ohio Jobless Claims for Sunday, December 29, 2024, through Saturday, January 4, 2025

This week, the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) provided updated data on unemployment claims filed in Ohio the week of December 29, 2024-January 4, 2025. These statistics were shared with the U.S. Department of Labor.

Ohioans filed **9,369 initial unemployment claims** last week, which was **3,045 fewer** than the previous week. Approximately 910 of those have been flagged for more stringent identity verification, to ensure they are not fraudulent.

Ohioans filed **68,094 continued unemployment claims** last week, which was **9,347 more** than the previous week.

The total number of claims filed from December 29, 2024-January 4, 2025, was **77,463**.

Ohio's unemployment rate in November was **4.3%**. The national unemployment rate in November was **4.2%**. Ohio's labor force participation rate in November was **62.6%**. The national labor force participation rate in November was **62.5%**.

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](https://ohiojobs.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](https://ohiojobs.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](https://unemployment.ohio.gov).

Filing for Unemployment Step-by-Step Guide: [jfs.ohio.gov/job-services-and-unemployment/unemployment/for-unemployed-workers/resources/01-quick-tips-and-step-by-step-guide](https://jfs.ohio.gov/job-services-and-unemployment/unemployment/for-unemployed-workers/resources/01-quick-tips-and-step-by-step-guide).

Mass-layoff notices are posted at [jfs.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](https://jfs.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).

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 [unemployment.ohio.gov](https://unemployment.ohio.gov), clicking on "Report ID Theft/Fraud," and then "Individuals: Report Identity Theft/Fraud." As an alternative, individuals also may call (833) 658-0394.