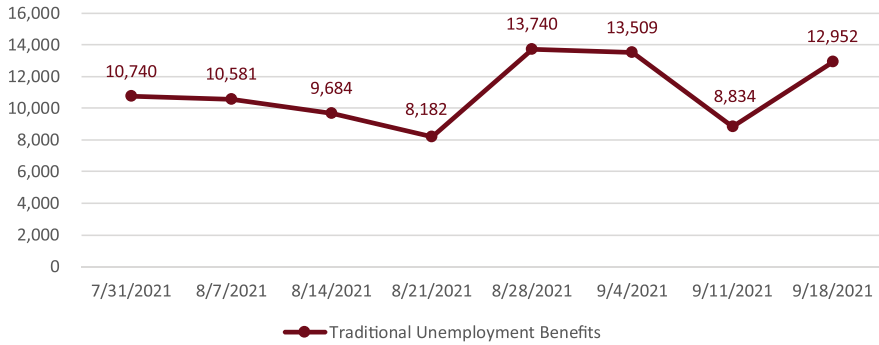




Ohio Jobless Claims, September 12 - September 18

Initial Claims



Initial Jobless Claims

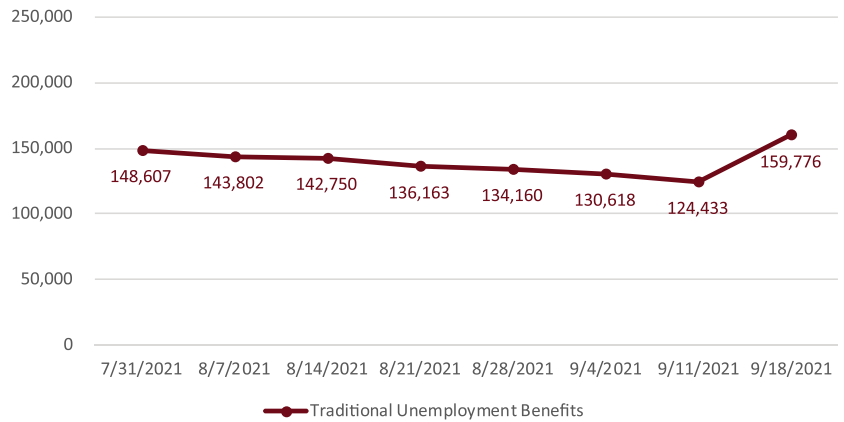
12,952
Traditional Unemployment

8-Week Average: 11,028 Traditional Unemployment

Continued Jobless Claims

159,776
Traditional Unemployment

Continued Claims



8-Week Average: 140,039 Traditional Unemployment

172,728
Total Claims

Ohio Jobless Claims for Sunday, September 12, 2021, through Saturday, September 18, 2021

This week, the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) provided updated data on unemployment claims filed in Ohio the week of September 12-September 18, 2021. These statistics were shared with the U.S. Department of Labor.

Ohioans filed **12,952 initial traditional unemployment claims** last week, which was **4,118 more** than the previous week.

Ohioans filed **159,776 continued traditional unemployment claims** last week, which was **35,343 more** than the previous week.

Please note that the increase in continued claims is primarily the result of the Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) program ending on Sept. 4. Continued PEUC claims filed for weeks after Sept. 4 would instead be considered under the traditional unemployment insurance system. Each claim is individually determined, and only those that would qualify under traditional unemployment would be approved.

The total number of traditional claims filed from September 12 through September 18, 2021, was 172,728.

Ohio's unemployment rate in August was **5.4%**. The national unemployment rate in August was **5.2%**. Ohio's labor force participation rate in August was **60.8%**. The national labor force participation rate in August was **61.7%**.

Recovery Efforts: While ODJFS continues to manage the state's unemployment program, it also has multiple initiatives under way to help spur Ohio's economic recovery. These include the Ohio To Work initiative to help displaced workers reskill and restart their careers, an \$8.5 million National Dislocated Worker Grant that will help unemployed workers and employers impacted by COVID-19, and a \$9.4 million grant to expand apprenticeship opportunities.

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://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](https://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. All eligible Ohioans will receive their unemployment benefits retroactive to when they first applied.

Information about Unemployment Benefits: unemployment.ohio.gov

Filing for Unemployment Step-by-Step Guide: jfs.ohio.gov/ouio/pdf/QuickTipsAndStepByStepGuide.pdf

As a reminder, mass layoff notices are posted at jfs.ohio.gov/warn/current.stm.