



Illinois Department of Employment Security Legislative District Dashboard



Pat Quinn, Governor

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Statewide:

- The Illinois unemployment rate has declined from its peak of 9.2% (March 2013) to 8.4% (March 2014).
- In April 2014, the total number of claimants for regular unemployment insurance benefits in Illinois declined by 4.3% compared to last year, and new certifications for regular unemployment insurance benefits dropped by 18.5%.
- In April 2014, the average duration of claimants for regular benefits in Illinois was 14.27 weeks, compared to last year's level of 12.46 weeks. The increase in average duration reflects the dramatic drop in new certifications.

May 2014 Report coverage: March 15 – April 12, 2014

Statewide

The total number of claimants certified for collecting regular UI benefits is 176,755.

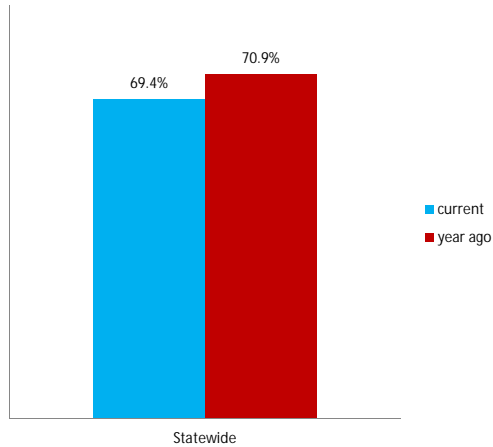
These claimants viewed 126,067 job orders and activated 24,357 job applications.

The information that follows only includes claimants certified for state (non-Federal) regular UI benefits.

Total Claimants Certified for Regular UI Benefits			
		Current	Year Ago
Education	High school degree or less	95,318	102,123
	Post-secondary education	79,761	79,614
Age	Less than 25 years old	8,696	10,885
	25 - 54 years old	132,162	139,276
	Greater than 54 years old	35,898	34,472
Race	White	110,395	119,310
	Black / African American	38,230	37,134
	Other	28,131	28,189
Ethnicity	Hispanic or Latino	33,709	34,197
	Not Hispanic or Latino	143,046	150,436
Military Status	Veteran	6,839	6,865
Count of total claimants		176,755	184,633

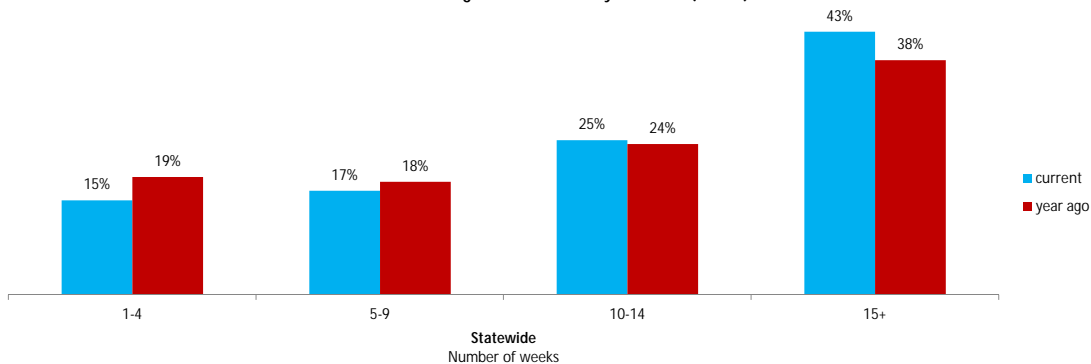
New Certifications to Collect Regular UI Benefits			
		Current	Year Ago
Education	High school degree or less	2,883	3,598
	Post-secondary education	3,126	3,772
Age	Less than 25 years old	392	576
	25 - 54 years old	4,562	5,534
	Greater than 54 years old	1,059	1,271
Military Status	Veteran	276	335
Count of new certifications		6,013	7,381

Percent of New Certifications Collecting Regular UI Benefits for More than 4 Weeks



Average Weeks Certified for Regular UI Benefits			
		Current	Year Ago
Education	High school degree or less	14.23	12.84
	Post-secondary education	14.36	11.97
Age	Less than 25 years old	12.85	11.92
	25 - 54 years old	14.04	12.24
	Greater than 54 years old	15.42	13.52
Race	White	13.96	12.35
	Black / African American	15.17	12.51
	Other	14.25	12.85
Ethnicity	Hispanic or Latino	14.41	13.23
	Not Hispanic or Latino	14.23	12.27
Military Status	Veteran	14.62	12.74
Average (all claimants)		14.27	12.46

Percent of Total Claimants Certified for Regular UI Benefits by Duration (weeks)



Total Claimants Certified for Regular UI Benefits: Current

Top 4 industries							Total
	Education		Age				
	High school degree or less	Post-secondary	Less than 25 years old	25 - 54 years old	Greater than 54 years old		
Professional & Business Services	20,015	16,553	1,900	28,330	6,913	37,143	
Construction & Mining	22,855	10,806	787	27,739	5,902	34,428	
Trade, Transport, Utilities	17,758	14,143	2,159	22,738	7,123	32,019	
Manufacturing	10,611	7,048	650	12,514	4,559	17,722	

Top 4 occupations							Total
	Education		Age				
	High school degree or less	Post-secondary	Less than 25 years old	25 - 54 years old	Greater than 54 years old		
Management & Related	4,965	14,827	337	14,477	4,989	19,803	
Construction	11,054	5,237	504	13,292	2,662	16,457	
Production	11,747	4,448	936	12,110	3,233	16,279	
Food & Cleaning	11,310	3,630	1,425	11,024	2,762	15,211	

Link to Technical Notes:

<http://www.ides.illinois.gov/LMI/Legislative%20District%20Dashboard/TechnicalNotesMay14.pdf>