



## Illinois Department of Employment Security Legislative District Dashboard

Pat Quinn, Governor

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**Statewide:**

- The Illinois unemployment rate has declined from 9.1% (October 2013) to 6.6% (October 2014).
- In November 2014, the total number of claimants for regular unemployment insurance benefits in Illinois declined by 23.2% compared to last year, and new certifications for regular unemployment insurance benefits dropped by 23.4%.
- In November 2014, the average duration of claimants for regular benefits in Illinois is 12.77 weeks, compared to last year's level of 12.01 weeks. The increase in average duration reflects the dramatic drop in new certifications.

December 2014 Report coverage: October 19 – November 15, 2014

**Statewide**

The total number of claimants certified for collecting regular UI benefits is 105,816.

**These claimants viewed 100,073 job orders and activated 20,714 job applications.**

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

New Certifications to Collect Regular UI Benefits			
		Current	Year Ago
<b>Education</b>	High school degree or less	3,053	3,796
	Post-secondary education	2,727	3,751
<b>Age</b>	Less than 25 years old	448	644
	25 - 54 years old	4,310	5,657
	Greater than 54 years old	1,024	1,254
<b>Military Status</b>	Veteran	281	302
<b>Count of new certifications</b>		<b>5,783</b>	<b>7,555</b>

Percent of New Cert. Collecting UI Benefits > 4 Weeks			
		Current	Year Ago
<b>Education</b>	High school degree or less	65%	67%
	Post-secondary education	67%	64%
<b>Age</b>	Less than 25 years old	53%	59%
	25 - 54 years old	67%	66%
	Greater than 54 years old	71%	67%
<b>Military Status</b>	Veteran	64%	66%
<b>Percent of new certifications</b>		<b>66%</b>	<b>65%</b>

Total Claimants Certified for Regular UI Benefits			
		Current	Year Ago
<b>Education</b>	High school degree or less	51,215	65,308
	Post-secondary education	54,381	71,940
<b>Age</b>	Less than 25 years old	5,498	8,021
	25 - 54 years old	77,912	102,736
	Greater than 54 years old	22,407	26,949
<b>Race</b>	White	62,417	83,186
	Black / African American	29,561	36,942
	Other	13,839	17,577
<b>Ethnicity</b>	Hispanic or Latino	15,324	19,272
	Not Hispanic or Latino	90,493	118,434
<b>Military Status</b>	Veteran	4,943	5,825
<b>Count of total claimants</b>		<b>105,816</b>	<b>137,706</b>

Average Weeks Certified for Regular UI Benefits			
		Current	Year Ago
<b>Education</b>	High school degree or less	12.62	11.85
	Post-secondary education	12.90	12.15
<b>Age</b>	Less than 25 years old	10.38	10.49
	25 - 54 years old	12.27	11.67
	Greater than 54 years old	15.10	13.76
<b>Race</b>	White	12.48	11.75
	Black / African American	13.31	12.69
	Other	12.80	11.72
<b>Ethnicity</b>	Hispanic or Latino	12.19	11.23
	Not Hispanic or Latino	12.86	12.14
<b>Military Status</b>	Veteran	12.67	13.10
<b>Average (all claimants)</b>		<b>12.77</b>	<b>12.01</b>

Total Claimants Certified for Regular UI Benefits (Current): Top 4 Occupations						
	Education		Age			Total
	High school degree or less	Post-secondary	Less than 25 years old	25 - 54 years old	Greater than 54 years old	
Management & Related	3,998	12,161	282	11,726	4,151	16,159
Health & Community	9,352	3,632	751	9,632	2,604	12,986
Sales	7,572	2,804	1,243	7,344	1,798	10,384
Production	4,075	5,995	905	7,271	1,894	10,070

Certified UI Benefits in June 2014 with Job Status in July and August 2014							
		Certified UI Benefits	Job Status			Same Job in Both Months	
			Employed July	Employed August	Count	Average Monthly	Median Monthly
						Earnings	Earnings
<b>Education</b>	High school degree or less	83,017	26,247	34,998	20,453	\$ 3,484	\$ 1,856
	Post-secondary education	86,283	28,097	35,645	22,064	\$ 3,957	\$ 2,431
<b>Age</b>	Less than 25 years old	8,873	3,045	4,079	2,347	\$ 1,848	\$ 1,207
	25 - 54 years old	125,158	41,766	54,212	32,676	\$ 3,847	\$ 2,230
	Greater than 54 years old	35,658	9,683	12,580	7,616	\$ 3,802	\$ 2,131
<b>Race</b>	White	104,380	32,312	42,354	25,337	\$ 4,154	\$ 2,657
	Black / African American	43,283	15,326	19,639	11,875	\$ 2,760	\$ 1,463
	Other	22,026	6,856	8,878	5,427	\$ 3,863	\$ 2,393
<b>Ethnicity</b>	Hispanic or Latino	23,234	7,236	9,553	5,786	\$ 3,842	\$ 2,241
	Not Hispanic or Latino	146,455	47,258	61,318	36,853	\$ 3,711	\$ 2,081
<b>Military Status</b>	Veteran	7,358	2,102	2,622	1,622	\$ 4,864	\$ 2,534
<b>Total</b>		<b>169,689</b>	<b>54,494</b>	<b>70,871</b>	<b>42,639</b>	<b>\$ 3,729</b>	<b>\$ 2,107</b>

Link to Technical Notes:

<http://www.ides.illinois.gov/LMI/Legislative%20District%20Dashboard/TechnicalNotesDec14.pdf>