



Illinois Department of Employment Security Legislative District Dashboard



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Statewide:

- The Illinois unemployment rate has decreased from 4.5% (March 2022) to 4.4% (March 2023).
- In March 2023, the total number of claimants for regular unemployment insurance benefits in Illinois decreased by 1.7% compared to last year, and new certifications for regular unemployment insurance benefits increased by 26.4%.
- In March 2023, the average duration of claimants for regular benefits in Illinois is 10.63 weeks, compared to last year's level of 12.81 weeks.

April 2023 Report coverage: February 19, 2023 - March 18, 2023*

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The total number of claimants certified for collecting regular UI benefits is 109,720.

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
Education	High school degree or less	2,312	1,868
	Post-secondary education	2,421	1,876
Age	Less than 25 years old	262	213
	25 - 54 years old	3,406	2,662
	Greater than 54 years old	1,066	869
Military Status	Veteran	170	141
Count of new certifications		4,734	3,744

Percent of New Cert. Collecting UI Benefits > 4 Weeks			
		Current	Year Ago
Education	High school degree or less	63%	66%
	Post-secondary education	68%	66%
Age	Less than 25 years old	49%	47%
	25 - 54 years old	65%	65%
	Greater than 54 years old	73%	75%
Military Status	Veteran	64%	63%
Percent of new certifications		66%	66%

Total Claimants Certified for Regular UI Benefits			
		Current	Year Ago
Education	High school degree or less	62,276	66,160
	Post-secondary education	47,423	45,388
Age	Less than 25 years old	5,276	5,102
	25 - 54 years old	77,493	77,733
	Greater than 54 years old	26,951	28,742
Race	White	66,795	66,133
	Black / African American	20,957	23,124
	Other	21,969	22,319
Ethnicity	Hispanic or Latino	31,324	30,699
	Not Hispanic or Latino	78,395	80,878
Military Status	Veteran	3,555	3,746
Count of total claimants		109,720	111,577

Average Weeks Certified for Regular UI Benefits			
		Current	Year Ago
Education	High school degree or less	10.60	12.54
	Post-secondary education	10.68	13.24
Age	Less than 25 years old	10.10	11.77
	25 - 54 years old	10.53	12.70
	Greater than 54 years old	11.03	13.28
Race	White	10.34	11.93
	Black / African American	11.58	16.08
	Other	10.65	12.28
Ethnicity	Hispanic or Latino	10.72	11.99
	Not Hispanic or Latino	10.60	13.16
Military Status	Veteran	10.55	12.16
Average (all claimants)		10.63	12.81

	Total Claimants Certified for Regular UI Benefits (Current): 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	
Construction	19,169	7,135	1,209	19,514	5,581	26,303
Management & Related	4,081	11,639	323	11,275	4,122	15,719
Food & Cleaning	10,014	2,482	993	7,960	3,542	12,495
Production	7,218	2,783	600	6,994	2,407	10,001

Certified UI Benefits in December 2022 and Job Status in January and February 2023						
		Certified UI Benefits	Job Status		Same Job in Both Months	
			Employed January	Employed February	Count	Median Earnings
Education	High school degree or less	63,722	17,695	20,465	14,344	\$ 2,762
	Post-secondary education	50,006	16,429	19,707	13,535	\$ 3,592
Age	Less than 25 years old	6,022	1,805	2,225	1,431	\$ 2,066
	25 - 54 years old	81,003	25,752	30,324	21,096	\$ 3,144
	Greater than 54 years old	26,726	6,570	7,626	5,355	\$ 3,297
Race	White	68,030	19,844	23,693	16,246	\$ 3,561
	Black / African American	24,668	9,795	11,056	7,967	\$ 2,463
	Other	21,053	4,488	5,426	3,669	\$ 3,348
Ethnicity	Hispanic or Latino	28,957	5,374	6,524	4,309	\$ 3,132
	Not Hispanic or Latino	84,794	28,753	33,651	23,573	\$ 3,082
Military Status	Veteran	3,756	1,003	1,285	802	\$ 3,530
All		113,751	34,127	40,175	27,882	\$ 3,092

* The results in this report are compiled from claims activity related to regular unemployment benefits in the week ending March 18, 2023 (that includes the 12th of March) and the three immediately prior weeks of data (from February 19 to March 11).

Link to Technical Notes: https://ides.illinois.gov/content/dam/soi/en/web/ides/labor_market_information/legislative_districtdashboard/TechnicalNotes.pdf