



Illinois Department of Employment Security Legislative District Dashboard

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Statewide:

- The Illinois unemployment rate has declined from 8.9% (December 2013) to 6.2% (December 2014)
- In December 2014, the total number of claimants for regular unemployment insurance benefits in Illinois declined by 17.7% compared to last year and new certifications for regular unemployment insurance benefits dropped by 17.4%.
- In December 2014, the average duration of claimants for regular benefits in Illinois is 11.72 weeks, compared to last year's level of 11.33 weeks. The increase in average duration reflects the decrease in new certifications.

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Statewide

The total number of claimants certified for collecting regular UI benefits is 130,065.

These claimants viewed 101,255 job orders and activated 21,859 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
Education	High school degree or less	5,268	6,176
	Post-secondary education	3,106	3,933
Age	Less than 25 years old	624	784
	25 - 54 years old	6,385	7,744
	Greater than 54 years old	1,398	1,656
Military Status	Veteran	334	289
Count of new certifications		8,407	10,184

Percent of New Cert. Collecting UI Benefits > 4 Weeks			
		Current	Year Ago
Education	High school degree or less	72%	74%
	Post-secondary education	73%	74%
Age	Less than 25 years old	57%	64%
	25 - 54 years old	73%	74%
	Greater than 54 years old	75%	78%
Military Status	Veteran	69%	73%
Percent of new certifications		72%	74%

Total Claimants Certified for Regular UI Benefits			
		Current	Year Ago
Education	High school degree or less	69,852	81,387
	Post-secondary education	59,267	75,172
Age	Less than 25 years old	6,761	9,019
	25 - 54 years old	96,815	118,362
	Greater than 54 years old	26,489	30,623
Race	White	79,540	97,078
	Black / African American	30,210	37,318
	Other	20,315	23,609
Ethnicity	Hispanic or Latino	25,037	28,281
	Not Hispanic or Latino	105,028	129,724
Military Status	Veteran	5,731	6,107
Count of total claimants		130,065	158,005

Average Weeks Certified for Regular UI Benefits			
		Current	Year Ago
Education	High school degree or less	10.91	10.63
	Post-secondary education	12.58	12.04
Age	Less than 25 years old	9.27	9.72
	25 - 54 years old	11.29	10.99
	Greater than 54 years old	13.99	13.13
Race	White	11.26	10.96
	Black / African American	13.37	12.81
	Other	10.61	10.14
Ethnicity	Hispanic or Latino	9.53	9.30
	Not Hispanic or Latino	12.19	11.74
Military Status	Veteran	12.15	13.09
Average (all claimants)		11.72	11.33

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	11,410	5,431	676	13,445	2,726	16,846
Health & Community	4,219	12,193	296	11,986	4,132	16,414
Sales	10,615	3,298	1,543	9,972	2,423	13,937
Production	10,114	3,730	839	10,390	2,620	13,849

Certified UI Benefits in September 2014 and Job Status in October and November 2014

		Certified UI Benefits	Job Status		Same Job in Both Months		
			Employed October	Employed November	Average Count	Average Earnings	Median Earnings
Education	High school degree or less	67,285	29,967	29,858	22,582	\$ 2,939	\$ 1,646
	Post-secondary education	76,058	33,376	34,346	25,905	\$ 3,575	\$ 2,099
Age	Less than 25 years old	7,629	3,510	3,772	2,586	\$ 1,881	\$ 1,152
	25 - 54 years old	105,515	48,111	48,775	36,724	\$ 3,348	\$ 1,907
	Greater than 54 years old	30,387	11,863	11,783	9,289	\$ 3,390	\$ 1,951
Race	White	84,690	35,805	36,300	27,586	\$ 3,645	\$ 2,245
	Black / African American	40,615	20,001	20,321	15,226	\$ 2,528	\$ 1,398
	Other	18,226	7,678	7,709	5,787	\$ 3,496	\$ 2,086
Ethnicity	Hispanic or Latino	18,561	7,970	8,249	6,102	\$ 3,581	\$ 1,945
	Not Hispanic or Latino	124,970	55,514	56,081	42,497	\$ 3,234	\$ 1,832
Military Status	Veteran	6,646	2,413	2,447	1,810	\$ 3,945	\$ 2,367
Total		143,531	63,484	64,330	48,599	\$ 3,278	\$ 1,849

Link to Technical Notes:

<http://www.ides.illinois.gov/LMI/Legislative%20District%20Dashboard/TechnicalNotesJan15.pdf>