Tennessee
Economic and Fiscal Indicators

Updated September 4, 2020
Most recent data from week of August 29, 2020
• Tennessee has seen 801,144 initial claims in 24 weeks, with over 10,000 claims every week since 3/21.

• Claims increased modestly this week after falling last week. UI claims still remain high on historical levels.

Tennessee Unemployment Claims in 2020

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- Initial claims have fallen from their historic peak. This week marks the sixteenth consecutive week that initial claims have been below the previous historical high of 30,753 (01/10/09).

- Continued claims are a better indicator of the number of individuals drawing from the trust fund. Continued claims have fallen every week since 5/9/20 and are below 200,000 for the first time since 4/11/20.

Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: 3/21/2020

Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: 3/28/2020

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Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: 4/11/2020

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Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: 4/18/2020

Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: 4/25/2020

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Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: 5/2/2020

Updated weekly; last revision 5/7/20

Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development

- Financial Activities: 3%
- Transportation & Utilities: 6%
- Other: 10%
- Other Services: 10%
- Manufacturing: 12%
- Education & Health Services: 13%
- Professional & Business Services: 15%
- Trade: 14%
- Leisure & Hospitality: 17%

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Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: 5/9/2020

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Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: 5/16/2020

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Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development

- Leisure & Hospitality: 15%
- Manufacturing: 14%
- Professional & Business Services: 16%
- Education & Health Services: 13%
- Manufacturing: 14%
- Other Services: 6%
- Transportation & Utilities: 6%
- Financial Activities: 3%
- Other: 10%
- Trade: 17%
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: 5/23/2020

Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: 5/30/2020

- Professional & Business Services: 18%
- Leisure & Hospitality: 15%
- Trade: 13%
- Manufacturing: 13%
- Education & Health Services: 15%
- Transportation & Utilities: 6%
- Other Services: 6%
- Other: 11%
- Financial Activities: 3%

Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: 6/6/2020

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Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: 6/13/2020

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Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: 6/20/2020

Updated weekly; last revision 6/25/20

Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: 6/27/2020

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Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: 7/4/2020

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Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: 7/11/2020

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Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: 7/18/2020

Updated weekly; last revision 7/23/20

Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: 7/25/2020

Updated weekly; last revision 7/30/20

Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: 8/1/2020

Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development

- Professional & Business Services: 16%
- Leisure & Hospitality: 13%
- Trade: 12%
- Manufacturing: 12%
- Education & Health Services: 11%
- Other Services: 6%
- Transportation & Utilities: 5%
- Other: 22%
- Financial Activities: 3%

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Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: 8/8/2020

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Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: 8/15/2020

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Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: 8/22/2020

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Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: 8/29/2020

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Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: Before Covid-19

- Professional & Business Services: 21%
- Manufacturing: 19%
- Trade: 14%
- Leisure & Hospitality: 10%
- Education & Health Services: 10%
- Other: 13%
- Transportation & Utilities: 6%
- Financial Activities: 4%
- Other Services: 3%

Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Sum of initial claims for weeks 02/15/2020-03/14/2020
Distribution of Initial Non-Farm UI Claims: After Covid-19

Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Sum of initial claims for weeks since 3/21/2020

- Leisure & Hospitality: 20%
- Trade: 14%
- Manufacturing: 13%
- Professional & Business Services: 15%
- Education & Health Services: 12%
- Other: 7%
- Transportation & Utilities: 5%
- Financial Activities: 3%
- Other Services: 11%
Distribution of Continued Non-Farm UI Claims
Distribution of Continued Non-Farm UI Claims: 05/23/2020

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Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development

Sum of continued claims for weeks since 3/21/2020
Distribution of Continued Non-Farm UI Claims: 05/30/2020

Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Sum of continued claims for weeks since 3/21/2020
Distribution of Continued Non-Farm UI Claims: 6/6/2020

Updated weekly; last revision 6/19/20

Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Sum of continued claims for weeks since 3/21/2020

- Leisure & Hospitality: 23%
- Professional & Business Services: 15%
- Trade: 14%
- Manufacturing: 17%
- Education & Health Services: 11%
- Transportation & Utilities: 5%
- Other Services: 5%
- Financial Activities: 3%
- Other: 7%
Distribution of Continued Non-Farm UI Claims: 6/13/2020

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Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Sum of continued claims for weeks since 3/21/2020
Distribution of Continued Non-Farm UI Claims: 6/27/2020

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Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Sum of continued claims for weeks since 3/21/2020
Distribution of Continued Non-Farm UI Claims: 7/4/2020

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Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Sum of continued claims for weeks since 3/21/2020
Distribution of Continued Non-Farm UI Claims: 7/11/2020

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Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Sum of continued claims for weeks since 3/21/2020
Distribution of Continued Non-Farm UI Claims: 7/18/2020

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Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Sum of continued claims for weeks since 3/21/2020
Distribution of Continued Non-Farm UI Claims: 7/25/2020

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Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Sum of continued claims for weeks since 3/21/2020
Distribution of Continued Non-Farm UI Claims: 8/15/2020

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Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Sum of continued claims for weeks since 3/21/2020
Distribution of Continued Non-Farm UI Claims: 8/22/2020

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Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Sum of continued claims for weeks since 3/21/2020
Initial and Continued UI Claims as a Share of the Labor Force
Shelby County had the largest initial claims relative to the labor force, and three other counties had at least 1 percent of workers file a claim.

More than 1 in 10 workers in seven counties had continued claims, led by Sevier, Shelby and Davidson counties.
UI Claims as a Share of the Labor Force, Week Ending 6/27/2020

- Shelby County had the largest initial claims relative to the labor force, and four other counties had at least 1 percent of workers file a claim. Claims tend to be larger in West TN.

More than 1 in 10 workers in five counties had continued claims, led by Shelby, Davidson and Sevier Counties.

Shelby County had one of the largest initial claims relative to the labor force, and 13 other counties had at least 1 percent of workers file a claim. Claims tend to be larger in West TN.

More than 1 in 10 workers in three counties had continued claims, led by Shelby and Davidson Counties.

Shelby County had one of the largest initial claims relative to the labor force, and 11 other counties had at least 1 percent of workers file a claim. Claims tend to be larger in West TN.

More than 1 in 10 workers in four counties had continued claims, led by Shelby and Davidson Counties.
Six counties had at least 2 percent of workers file for UI this week. At least 21 other counties, including Shelby County, had at least 1 percent of workers file a claim. New claims tend to be larger in West TN, but are spread throughout the state.

More than 1 in 10 workers in Shelby and Davidson counties had continued claims during the week.
• Only 14 counties had at least 1 percent new claims this week and two had at least 2 percent.

• More than 1 in 10 workers in Shelby and Davidson counties had continued claims during the week.
UI Claims as a Share of the Labor Force, Week Ending 8/1/2020

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• Only 7 counties had at least 1 percent new claims this week, compared with 14 counties last week.

• More than 1 in 10 workers in Shelby and Davidson counties had continued claims during the week.

Only Houston County had at least 1 percent new claims this week, compared with 7 counties last week.

More than 1 in 10 workers in Shelby County had continued claims during the week. Davidson County fell slightly below 1 in 10.
• Only Lake and Houston Counties had at least 1 percent new claims this week.

• More than 1 in 10 workers in Shelby County had continued claims during the week. Davidson County fell slightly below 1 in 10.

UI Claims as a Share of the Labor Force, Week Ending 8/22/2020

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- Only Houston County had more than 1 percent new claims this week, but its continued claims are modest. Davidson and Shelby County are now experiencing much lower new claims.

- More than 1 in 10 workers in Shelby County had continued claims during the week. Davidson County fell slightly below 1 in 10.

Figure 7: UI Claims as a Share of the Labor Force, Week Ending 8/29/2020

- Six counties had initial claims at least equal to one percent of the labor force, after only one county last week. Davidson and Shelby County are now experiencing much lower new claims.

- Shelby and Davidson Counties have the highest percent of continued claims.

Total UI Claims since 3/21 and Percent of Workforce Filing Claims
Total UI Claims since 3/21 and Percent of Workforce Filing Claims, Week Ending 4/11/2020

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Total UI Claims since 3/21 and Percent of Workforce Filing Claims, Week Ending 4/18/2020

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Total UI Claims since 3/21 and Percent of Workforce Filing Claims, Week Ending 4/25/2020

Updated weekly; last revision 4/30/20

Total UI Claims since 3/21 and Percent of Workforce Filing Claims, Week Ending 5/2/2020

Updated weekly; last revision 5/7/20

Note: Weekly new UI claims at the LWDA regions are scaled to the statewide total new claims filed as reported by the Tennessee Department of Labor & Workforce Development

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Total UI Claims since 3/21 and Percent of Workforce Filing Claims, Week Ending 5/23/2020

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Note: Weekly new UI claims at the LWDA regions are scaled to the statewide total new claims filed as reported by the Tennessee Department of Labor & Workforce Development

Total UI Claims since 3/21 and Percent of Workforce Filing Claims, Week Ending 5/30/2020

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Total UI Claims since 3/21 and Percent of Workforce Filing Claims, Week Ending 6/13/2020

Updated weekly; last revision 6/19/20

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Total UI Claims since 3/21 and Percent of Workforce Filing Claims, Week Ending 6/20/2020

Updated weekly; last revision 6/25/20

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Total UI Claims since 3/21 and Percent of Workforce Filing Claims, Week Ending 6/27/2020

Updated weekly; last revision 7/2/20

Note: Weekly new UI claims at the LWDA regions are scaled to the statewide total new claims filed as reported by the Tennessee Department of Labor & Workforce Development

Total UI Claims since 3/21 and Percent of Workforce Filing Claims, Week Ending 7/4/2020

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Note: Weekly new UI claims at the LWDA regions are scaled to the statewide total new claims filed as reported by the Tennessee Department of Labor & Workforce Development.

Total UI Claims since 3/21 and Percent of Workforce Filing Claims, Week Ending 7/11/2020

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Note: Weekly new UI claims at the LWDA regions are scaled to the statewide total new claims filed as reported by the Tennessee Department of Labor & Workforce Development.

Total UI Claims since 3/21 and Percent of Workforce Filing Claims, Week Ending 7/18/2020

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Total UI Claims since 3/21 and Percent of Workforce Filing Claims, Week Ending 7/25/2020

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Total UI Claims since 3/21 and Percent of Workforce Filing Claims, Week Ending 8/1/2020

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Note: Weekly new UI claims at the LWDA regions are scaled to the statewide total new claims filed as reported by the Tennessee Department of Labor & Workforce Development

Total UI Claims since 3/21 and Percent of Workforce Filing Claims, Week Ending 8/8/2020

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Total UI Claims since 3/21 and Percent of Workforce Filing Claims, Week Ending 8/15/2020

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Total UI Claims since 3/21 and Percent of Workforce Filing Claims, Week Ending 8/22/2020

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Total UI Claims since 3/21 and Percent of Workforce Filing Claims, Week Ending 8/29/2020

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Percent change in new UI claims
Percent change in new UI claims since 4/11/2020, Week Ending 4/18/2020

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Percent change in new UI claims since 4/18/2020, Week Ending 4/25/2020

Updated weekly; last revision 4/30/20

Percent change in new UI claims since 4/25/2020, Week Ending 5/2/2020

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Percent change in new UI claims since 5/2/2020, Week Ending 5/9/2020

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Percent change in new UI claims since 5/9/2020, Week Ending 5/16/2020

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Percent change in new UI claims since 5/16/2020, Week Ending 5/23/2020

Updated weekly; last revision 5/28/20

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Percent change in new UI claims since 5/23/2020, Week Ending 5/30/2020

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Percent change in new UI claims since 5/30/2020, Week Ending 6/6/2020

Updated weekly; last revision 6/11/20

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Percent change in new UI claims since 6/6/2020, Week Ending 6/13/2020

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Percent change in new UI claims since 6/13/2020, Week Ending 6/27/2020

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Percent change in new UI claims since 6/27/2020, Week Ending 7/4/2020

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Percent change in new UI claims since 7/11/2020, Week Ending 7/18/2020

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Percent change in new UI claims since 7/18/2020, Week Ending 7/25/2020

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Percent change in new UI claims since 7/25/2020, Week Ending 8/1/2020

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Percent change in new UI claims since 8/1/2020, Week Ending 8/8/2020

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Percent change in new UI claims since 8/22/2020, Week Ending 8/29/2020

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