



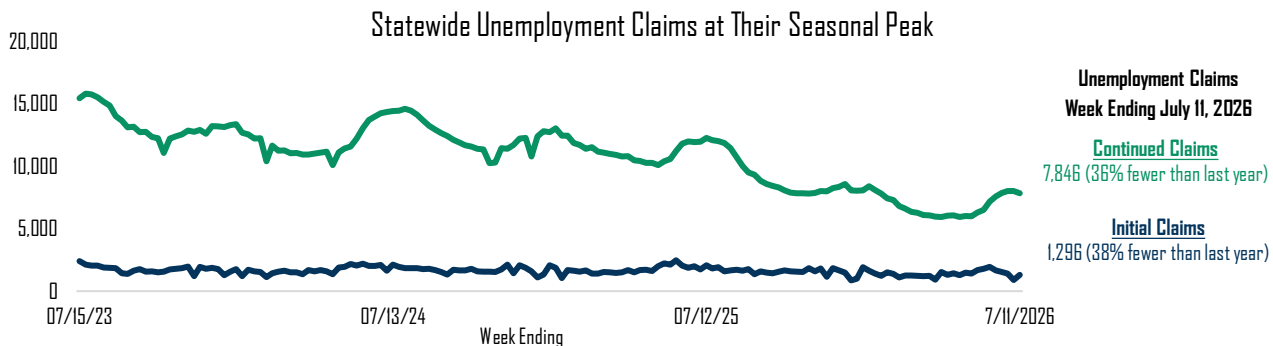
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Initial Unemployment Insurance Claims Rise for Week Ending July 11

BATON ROUGE, LA – Initial unemployment insurance claims in Louisiana increased to 1,296 for the week ending July 11, 2026, up from 905 the previous week. Initial claims remained below the comparable week last year, when 2,077 claims were filed. The four-week moving average of initial claims decreased to 1,289 from the previous week's average of 1,380.

Unemployment insurance claims typically increase during the summer due to seasonal employment patterns in certain Louisiana industries such as educational services, health care, and accommodation and food services. However, initial claims are down 33% from this summer's early-June bump; historical patterns suggest total claims will decline over the coming weeks.



The unemployment insurance continued weeks claimed for the week ending July 11, 2026, decreased to 7,846 from the week ending July 4, 2026, totaling 8,019. The continued weeks claimed were below the comparable figure of 12,278 for the week ending July 12, 2025.

The four-week moving average of continued weeks increased to 7,934 from the previous week's average of 7,870.

Louisiana Works offers countless tools, both in person and online, to help claimants file and process their claims. These resources include those at the agency's [American Job Centers](#), job fairs, training programs, apprenticeship opportunities, and numerous other Louisiana Works services.

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Resources and Tools:

[Unemployment Insurance Claims Data for Prior Weeks](#)

[Unemployment Insurance Weekly Claims Dashboard](#)