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Initial unemployment insurance claims rise for the week ending February 1

BATON ROUGE, LA – The initial unemployment insurance claims for the week ending February 1, 2025, rose to 1,689 from the week ending January 25, 2025, totaling 1,039. For a comparison, during the week ending February 3, 2024, 1,585 initial claims were filed.

The four-week moving average of initial claims increased to 1,669 from the previous week's average of 1,580.

The unemployment insurance continued weeks claimed for the week ending February 1, 2025 increased to 12,457 from the week ending January 25, 2025, totaling 12,456. The continued weeks claimed were above the comparable figure of 12,212 for the week ending February 3, 2024.

The four-week moving average of continued weeks decreased to 12,669 from the previous week's average of 12,753.

The Louisiana Workforce Commission (LWC) 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 LWC services.

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Resources and Tools:

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