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## Initial unemployment insurance claims drop for week ending August 17

**BATON ROUGE, LA** – The initial unemployment insurance claims for the week ending August 17, 2024, dropped to 1,761 from the week ending August 10, 2024, totaling 1,846. For a comparison, during the week ending August 19, 2023, 1,877 initial claims were filed.

The four-week moving average of initial claims decreased to 1,820 from the previous week's average of 1,864.

The unemployment insurance continued weeks claimed for the week ending August 17, 2024, decreased to 13,667 from the week ending August 10, 2024, totaling 14,102. The continued weeks claimed were below the comparable figure of 14,849 for the week ending August 19, 2023.

The four-week moving average of continued weeks claimed decreased to 14,201 from the previous week's average of 14,398.

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](#)