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## Initial unemployment insurance claims drop for week ending October 19

**BATON ROUGE, LA** – The initial unemployment insurance claims for the week ending October 19, 2024, dropped to 1,583 from the week ending October 12, 2024, totaling 1,779. For a comparison, during the week ending October 21, 2023, 1,562 initial claims were filed.

The four-week moving average of initial claims decreased to 1,669 from the previous week's average of 1,699.

The unemployment insurance continued weeks claimed for the week ending October 19, 2024, decreased to 11,383 from the week ending October 12, 2024, totaling 11,581. The continued weeks claimed were above the comparable figure of 11,065 for the week ending October 21, 2023.

The four-week moving average of continued weeks claimed decreased to 11,637 from the previous week's average of 11,820.

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](#)