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Initial unemployment insurance claims drop for week ending July 20

BATON ROUGE, LA – The initial unemployment insurance claims for the week ending July 20, 2024, dropped to 1,939 from the week ending July 13, 2024, totaling 2,132. For a comparison, during the week ending July 22, 2023, 2,112 initial claims were filed.

The four-week moving average of initial claims decreased to 1,949 from the previous week's average of 1,972.

The unemployment insurance continued weeks claimed for the week ending July 20, 2024, increased to 14,452 from the week ending July 13, 2024, totaling 14,415. The continued weeks claimed were below the comparable figure of 15,809 for the week ending July 22, 2023.

The four-week moving average of continued weeks claimed increased to 14,362 from the previous week's average of 14,246.

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 <u>American Job Centers</u>, job fairs, training programs, apprenticeship opportunities, and numerous other LWC services.

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Resources and Tools: <u>Unemployment Insurance Claims Data for Prior Weeks</u> <u>Unemployment Insurance Weekly Claims Dashboard</u>