

# Statewide Unemployment Insurance Initial Claims

	MAY 2017	APR 2017	MAY 2016	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				net	percent	net	percent
<b>Georgia</b>	<b>24,867</b>	<b>21,633</b>	<b>30,325</b>	<b>3,234</b>	<b>14.9%</b>	<b>-5,458</b>	<b>-18.0%</b>

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Appling	16	132	137	169	-5	-3.6%	-37	-21.9%
Atkinson	18	71	44	29	27	61.4%	42	144.8%
Bacon	18	42	19	30	23	121.1%	12	40.0%
Baker	17	7	2	11	5	250.0%	-4	-36.4%
Baldwin	11	73	69	130	4	5.8%	-57	-43.8%
Banks	2	25	47	41	-22	-46.8%	-16	-39.0%
Barrow	9	143	151	163	-8	-5.3%	-20	-12.3%
Bartow	1	247	254	241	-7	-2.8%	6	2.5%
Ben Hill	18	47	44	82	3	6.8%	-35	-42.7%
Berrien	18	41	20	36	21	105.0%	5	13.9%
Bibb	10	395	333	409	62	18.6%	-14	-3.4%
Bleckley	16	17	30	41	-13	-43.3%	-24	-58.5%
Brantley	18	32	20	45	12	60.0%	-13	-28.9%
Brooks	18	21	19	28	2	10.5%	-7	-25.0%
Bryan	20	47	41	64	6	14.6%	-17	-26.6%
Bulloch	20	176	126	197	50	39.7%	-21	-10.7%
Burke	12	137	92	151	45	48.9%	-14	-9.3%
Butts	8	56	36	72	20	55.6%	-16	-22.2%
Calhoun	17	10	5	20	5	100.0%	-10	-50.0%
Camden	20	58	56	82	2	3.6%	-24	-29.3%
Candler	16	17	38	33	-21	-55.3%	-16	-48.5%
Carroll	8	230	225	370	5	2.2%	-140	-37.8%
Catoosa	1	84	65	149	19	29.2%	-65	-43.6%
Charlton	19	18	7	15	11	157.1%	3	20.0%
Chatham	20	549	420	590	129	30.7%	-41	-6.9%
Chattahoochee	14	6	11	16	-5	-45.5%	-10	-62.5%
Chattooga	1	40	40	51	0	0.0%	-11	-21.6%
Cherokee	7	318	291	354	27	9.3%	-36	-10.2%
Clarke	9	238	167	270	71	42.5%	-32	-11.9%
Clay	14	5	6	6	-1	-16.7%	-1	-16.7%
Clayton	7	1,035	837	1,029	198	23.7%	6	0.6%
Clinch	18	8	6	8	2	33.3%	0	0.0%
Cobb	4	1,493	1,097	1,369	396	36.1%	124	9.1%
Coffee	18	312	158	278	154	97.5%	34	12.2%
Colquitt	17	74	81	125	-7	-8.6%	-51	-40.8%
Columbia	13	242	153	210	89	58.2%	32	15.2%
Cook	18	34	18	30	16	88.9%	4	13.3%
Coweta	8	317	679	864	-362	-53.3%	-547	-63.3%
Crawford	11	22	20	33	2	10.0%	-11	-33.3%
Crisp	15	30	55	45	-25	-45.5%	-15	-33.3%

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Dade	1	7	10	29	-3	-30.0%	-22	-75.9%
Dawson	2	28	26	33	2	7.7%	-5	-15.2%
Decatur	17	64	55	64	9	16.4%	0	0.0%
DeKalb	5	2,026	1,562	2,051	464	29.7%	-25	-1.2%
Dodge	16	37	19	174	18	94.7%	-137	-78.7%
Dooly	15	16	19	16	-3	-15.8%	0	0.0%
Dougherty	17	310	230	590	80	34.8%	-280	-47.5%
Douglas	7	325	304	354	21	6.9%	-29	-8.2%
Early	17	21	19	25	2	10.5%	-4	-16.0%
Echols	18	9	2	4	7	350.0%	5	125.0%
Effingham	20	90	63	90	27	42.9%	0	0.0%
Elbert	9	46	45	81	1	2.2%	-35	-43.2%
Emanuel	16	134	100	142	34	34.0%	-8	-5.6%
Evans	16	25	23	16	2	8.7%	9	56.3%
Fannin	1	65	34	48	31	91.2%	17	35.4%
Fayette	7	143	158	182	-15	-9.5%	-39	-21.4%
Floyd	1	284	280	325	4	1.4%	-41	-12.6%
Forsyth	2	230	200	200	30	15.0%	30	15.0%
Franklin	2	52	50	86	2	4.0%	-34	-39.5%
Fulton	6	2,618	2,165	2,581	453	20.9%	37	1.4%
Gilmer	1	33	45	61	-12	-26.7%	-28	-45.9%
Glascock	13	6	5	7	1	20.0%	-1	-14.3%
Glynn	20	132	103	155	29	28.2%	-23	-14.8%
Gordon	1	150	124	204	26	21.0%	-54	-26.5%
Grady	17	27	23	48	4	17.4%	-21	-43.8%
Greene	9	22	28	21	-6	-21.4%	1	4.8%
Gwinnett	7	1,729	1,421	1,688	308	21.7%	41	2.4%
Habersham	2	93	242	225	-149	-61.6%	-132	-58.7%
Hall	2	344	536	630	-192	-35.8%	-286	-45.4%
Hancock	13	20	22	31	-2	-9.1%	-11	-35.5%
Haralson	1	44	47	56	-3	-6.4%	-12	-21.4%
Harris	14	40	43	60	-3	-7.0%	-20	-33.3%
Hart	2	53	89	94	-36	-40.4%	-41	-43.6%
Heard	8	31	43	50	-12	-27.9%	-19	-38.0%
Henry	7	542	458	550	84	18.3%	-8	-1.5%
Houston	11	276	223	274	53	23.8%	2	0.7%
Irwin	18	25	23	37	2	8.7%	-12	-32.4%
Jackson	9	110	96	134	14	14.6%	-24	-17.9%
Jasper	9	22	23	33	-1	-4.3%	-11	-33.3%
Jeff Davis	16	57	139	77	-82	-59.0%	-20	-26.0%
Jefferson	13	81	43	104	38	88.4%	-23	-22.1%
Jenkins	13	38	20	46	18	90.0%	-8	-17.4%
Johnson	16	27	18	41	9	50.0%	-14	-34.1%
Jones	11	46	33	46	13	39.4%	0	0.0%
Lamar	8	40	44	60	-4	-9.1%	-20	-33.3%
Lanier	18	32	5	16	27	540.0%	16	100.0%
Laurens	16	129	104	213	25	24.0%	-84	-39.4%
Lee	17	49	60	89	-11	-18.3%	-40	-44.9%
Liberty	20	108	82	102	26	31.7%	6	5.9%
Lincoln	13	30	12	35	18	150.0%	-5	-14.3%

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Long	20	21	13	26	8	61.5%	-5	-19.2%
Lowndes	18	284	171	284	113	66.1%	0	0.0%
Lumpkin	2	32	33	52	-1	-3.0%	-20	-38.5%
Macon	15	55	40	43	15	37.5%	12	27.9%
Madison	9	52	30	55	22	73.3%	-3	-5.5%
Marion	15	12	18	15	-6	-33.3%	-3	-20.0%
McDuffie	13	114	72	108	42	58.3%	6	5.6%
McIntosh	20	14	16	26	-2	-12.5%	-12	-46.2%
Meriwether	8	65	109	153	-44	-40.4%	-88	-57.5%
Miller	17	7	5	6	2	40.0%	1	16.7%
Mitchell	17	53	66	65	-13	-19.7%	-12	-18.5%
Monroe	11	43	40	50	3	7.5%	-7	-14.0%
Montgomery	16	59	74	60	-15	-20.3%	-1	-1.7%
Morgan	9	26	31	34	-5	-16.1%	-8	-23.5%
Murray	1	186	203	244	-17	-8.4%	-58	-23.8%
Muscogee	14	575	488	559	87	17.8%	16	2.9%
Newton	9	298	238	319	60	25.2%	-21	-6.6%
Oconee	9	30	29	38	1	3.4%	-8	-21.1%
Oglethorpe	9	27	15	31	12	80.0%	-4	-12.9%
Paulding	1	312	233	265	79	33.9%	47	17.7%
Peach	11	63	53	48	10	18.9%	15	31.3%
Pickens	1	42	50	46	-8	-16.0%	-4	-8.7%
Pierce	18	37	24	40	13	54.2%	-3	-7.5%
Pike	8	37	34	65	3	8.8%	-28	-43.1%
Polk	1	104	120	118	-16	-13.3%	-14	-11.9%
Pulaski	11	12	13	13	-1	-7.7%	-1	-7.7%
Putnam	11	24	21	42	3	14.3%	-18	-42.9%
Quitman	14	0	2	2	-2	-100.0%	-2	-100.0%
Rabun	2	14	4	39	10	250.0%	-25	-64.1%
Randolph	14	9	13	27	-4	-30.8%	-18	-66.7%
Richmond	12	743	477	834	266	55.8%	-91	-10.9%
Rockdale	7	235	212	244	23	10.8%	-9	-3.7%
Schley	15	15	17	14	-2	-11.8%	1	7.1%
Screven	20	39	34	63	5	14.7%	-24	-38.1%
Seminole	17	15	11	21	4	36.4%	-6	-28.6%
Spalding	8	199	180	354	19	10.6%	-155	-43.8%
Stephens	2	56	107	238	-51	-47.7%	-182	-76.5%
Stewart	14	18	28	19	-10	-35.7%	-1	-5.3%
Sumter	15	102	101	119	1	1.0%	-17	-14.3%
Talbot	14	23	8	23	15	187.5%	0	0.0%
Taliaferro	13	5	4	2	1	25.0%	3	150.0%
Tattnall	16	40	51	61	-11	-21.6%	-21	-34.4%
Taylor	15	21	26	33	-5	-19.2%	-12	-36.4%
Telfair	16	55	50	269	5	10.0%	-214	-79.6%
Terrell	17	27	22	69	5	22.7%	-42	-60.9%
Thomas	17	82	76	116	6	7.9%	-34	-29.3%
Tift	18	69	60	74	9	15.0%	-5	-6.8%
Toombs	16	161	198	193	-37	-18.7%	-32	-16.6%
Towns	2	9	10	10	-1	-10.0%	-1	-10.0%
Treutlen	16	18	40	28	-22	-55.0%	-10	-35.7%

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Troup	8	235	208	252	27	13.0%	-17	-6.7%
Turner	18	12	15	19	-3	-20.0%	-7	-36.8%
Twiggs	11	30	27	29	3	11.1%	1	3.4%
Union	2	22	22	31	0	0.0%	-9	-29.0%
Upson	8	57	57	155	0	0.0%	-98	-63.2%
Walker	1	86	97	902	-11	-11.3%	-816	-90.5%
Walton	9	196	153	141	43	28.1%	55	39.0%
Ware	18	90	54	77	36	66.7%	13	16.9%
Warren	13	33	11	34	22	200.0%	-1	-2.9%
Washington	13	50	39	84	11	28.2%	-34	-40.5%
Wayne	16	77	49	110	28	57.1%	-33	-30.0%
Webster	15	9	6	3	3	50.0%	6	200.0%
Wheeler	16	16	35	47	-19	-54.3%	-31	-66.0%
White	2	38	27	60	11	40.7%	-22	-36.7%
Whitfield	1	501	485	555	16	3.3%	-54	-9.7%
Wilcox	16	14	14	35	0	0.0%	-21	-60.0%
Wilkes	13	26	22	22	4	18.2%	4	18.2%
Wilkinson	11	20	13	19	7	53.8%	1	5.3%
Worth	17	40	45	82	-5	-11.1%	-42	-51.2%

## Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) Unemployment Insurance Initial Claims

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Albany MSA	454	377	855	77	20.4%	-401	-46.9%
Athens-Clarke County MSA	352	249	403	103	41.4%	-51	-12.7%
Atlanta MSA	13,222	11,429	14,154	1,793	15.7%	-932	-6.6%
Augusta-Richmond County MSA	1,302	835	1,398	467	55.9%	-96	-6.9%
Brunswick MSA	198	160	243	38	23.8%	-45	-18.5%
Columbus MSA	650	579	679	71	12.3%	-29	-4.3%
Dalton MSA	688	688	796	0	0.0%	-108	-13.6%
Gainesville MSA	351	543	636	-192	-35.4%	-285	-44.8%
Hinesville MSA	131	97	133	34	35.1%	-2	-1.5%
Macon-Bibb County MSA	551	466	593	85	18.2%	-42	-7.1%
Rome MSA	293	283	331	10	3.5%	-38	-11.5%
Savannah MSA	720	556	781	164	29.5%	-61	-7.8%
Valdosta MSA	365	215	348	150	69.8%	17	4.9%
Warner Robins MSA	355	290	336	65	22.4%	19	5.7%

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## Regional Commission (RC) Unemployment Insurance Initial Claims

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Atlanta Regional Commission	10,464	8,505	10,402	1,959	23.0%	62	0.6%
Central Savannah River RC	1,525	972	1,668	553	56.9%	-143	-8.6%
Coastal RC	1,234	954	1,395	280	29.4%	-161	-11.5%
Georgia Mountains RC	996	1,393	1,739	-397	-28.5%	-743	-42.7%
Heart of Georgia RC	1,015	1,119	1,709	-104	-9.3%	-694	-40.6%
Middle Georgia RC	1,004	845	1,093	159	18.8%	-89	-8.1%
Northeast Georgia RC	1,210	1,006	1,320	204	20.3%	-110	-8.3%
Northwest Georgia RC	2,185	2,087	3,294	98	4.7%	-1,109	-33.7%
River Valley RC	936	881	1,000	55	6.2%	-64	-6.4%
Southern Georgia RC	1,184	709	1,132	475	67.0%	52	4.6%
Southwest Georgia RC	786	700	1,331	86	12.3%	-545	-40.9%
Three Rivers RC	1,267	1,615	2,395	-348	-21.5%	-1,128	-47.1%

## Local Workforce Development Area (LWDA) Unemployment Insurance Initial Claims

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Atlanta Regional LWDA	4,327	3,681	4,401	646	17.5%	-74	-1.7%
Central Savannah River Area LWDA	918	589	1,031	329	55.9%	-113	-11.0%
City of Atl./Bal. Fulton Co. LWDA	2,618	2,165	2,581	453	20.9%	37	1.4%
Coastal Georgia LWDA	1,234	954	1,395	280	29.4%	-161	-11.5%
Cobb County LWDA	1,493	1,097	1,369	396	36.1%	124	9.1%
DeKalb County LWDA	2,026	1,562	2,051	464	29.7%	-25	-1.2%
East Central Georgia LWDA	607	383	637	224	58.5%	-30	-4.7%
Georgia Mountains LWDA	996	1,393	1,739	-397	-28.5%	-743	-42.7%
Heart of GA-Altamaha LWDA	1,015	1,119	1,709	-104	-9.3%	-694	-40.6%
Lower Chattahoochee LWDA	676	599	712	77	12.9%	-36	-5.1%
Macon-Bibb LWDA	395	333	409	62	18.6%	-14	-3.4%
Middle Flint LWDA	260	282	288	-22	-7.8%	-28	-9.7%
Middle Georgia LWDA	609	512	684	97	18.9%	-75	-11.0%
Northeast Georgia LWDA	1,210	1,006	1,320	204	20.3%	-110	-8.3%
Northwest Georgia LWDA	2,185	2,087	3,294	98	4.7%	-1,109	-33.7%
Southern Georgia LWDA	1,184	709	1,132	475	67.0%	52	4.6%
Southwest Georgia LWDA	786	700	1,331	86	12.3%	-545	-40.9%
West Central Georgia LWDA	1,267	1,615	2,395	-348	-21.5%	-1,128	-47.1%

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