

PENNSYLVANIA, TENNESSEE LEAD STATES IN FALLING JOBLESS CLAIMS

OF LABOR STATISTICS

The Bureau of Labor Statistics released statistics today that showed Pennsylvania reporting 2,841 fewer initial jobless claims for the week ending June 26 than for the week prior. Tennessee, Illinois and Iowa followed, reporting 1,375 1,346 and 1,230 claims, respectively. On the other end of the spectrum, New Jersey reported 7,951 more initial claims, largely due to layoffs of school employees. Massachusetts, New York, Florida, and Connecticut also increased jobless claims. The nation as a whole saw jobless claims dip in June even as 225,000 temporary census workers finished working and returned to the labor pool.

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