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Virginia's Latest Unemployment Insurance Weekly Initial Claims at 2,627; Continued Claims at 18,516

RICHMOND— Virginia Works announced today that 2,627 unemployment insurance weekly **initial claims** were filed during the week ending November 22, 2025, which is 8.5 percent higher than last week's 2,421 claims and 17.1 percent higher than the comparable week of last year (2,244). Nearly 81 percent of claimants self-reported an employer which correlates to an associated industry. Based on this reporting, the top five industries (61 percent) were Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services (380); Administrative and Support and Waste Management (277); Health Care and Social Assistance (208); Manufacturing (202); and Retail Trade (191).

Continued weeks claims (18,516) were 1.6 percent lower than last week (18,818) and were 19.0 percent higher than the comparable week of last year (15,554). Nearly 92 percent of claimants self-reported an employer which correlates to an associated industry. Based on this reporting, the top five industries (64 percent) were Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services (4,558); Administrative and Support and Waste Management (2,171); Health Care and Social Assistance (1,555); Retail Trade (1,294); and Manufacturing (1,286).

Significant Layoffs and Announcements are available at the following websites:

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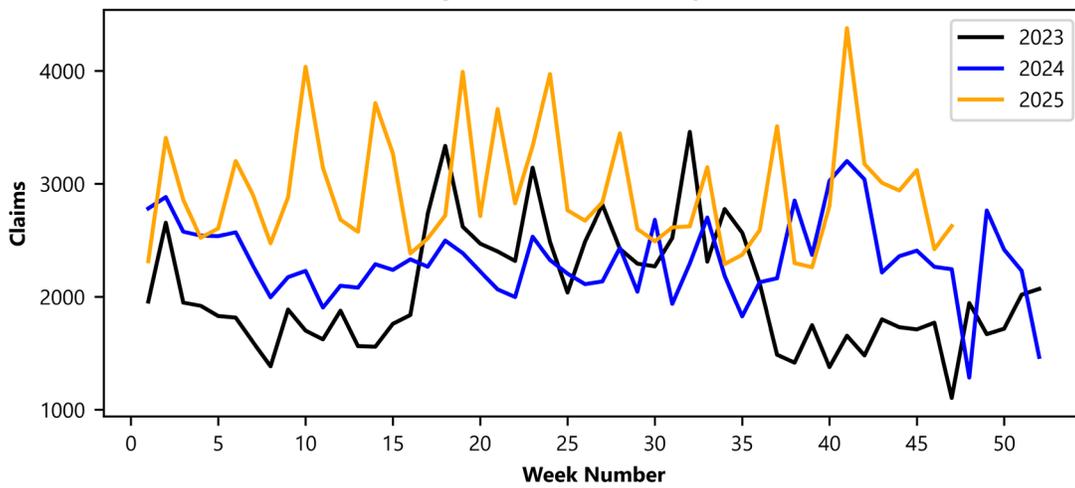
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Richmond, VA

Unemployment Claims Activity Comparison

	Week Ending 11/22/2025	Week Ending 11/15/2025	Week Ending 11/08/2025	Last Year 11/23/2024
Initial Claims	2,627	2,421	3,121	2,244
Initial Change (%)	+206 (+8.5%)	-700 (-22.4%)	+180 (+6.1%)	+383 (+17.1%)
Continued Claims	18,516	18,818	19,100	15,554
Continued Change (%)	-302 (-1.6%)	-282 (-1.5%)	-146 (-0.8%)	+2962 (+19.0%)

Virginia Initial Claims by Week



Virginia Continued Claims by Week

