# PROFILE OF IOWA'S UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT RECIPIENTS April 2025

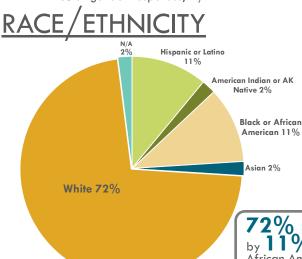


The characteristics data used in this report is based on claimants who filed a regular UI continued weeks claim during the week including the 19th of the month. This data is prone to seasonality.

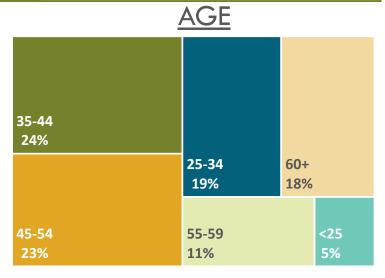


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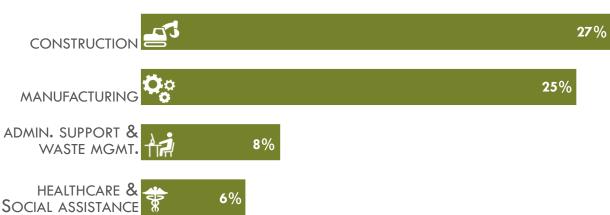
**INDUSTRY** 



66% of all claimants were between the ages of 25 & 54.

72% of all claimants were White followed by 11% Hispanic or Latino and Black or African American.





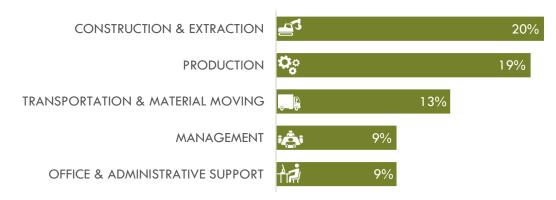
RETAIL TRADE 5%

\*N/A-Not Available

TOP 5

# OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORIES OF CLAIMANTS

# **OCCUPATION**



# **CHANGE**

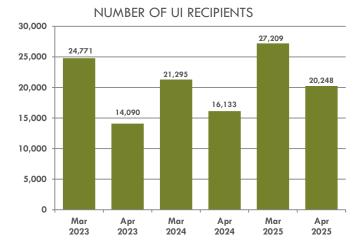
Gender	Apr-25	Mar-25		Apr-24	
Male	7,274	-8,312	-53.3%	1,467	25.3%
Female	3,474	-626	-15.3%	675	24.1%
INA	101	-48	-32.2%	14	16.1%

Age	Apr-25	Mar-25		Арі	-24
<25	507	-864	-58.7%	136	28.9%
25-34	2,056	-2,176	-51.4%	355	20.9%
35-44	2,577	-1,830	-41.5%	582	29.2%
45-54	2,485	-1,614	-39.4%	512	26.0%
55-59	1,145	-822	-41.8%	228	24.9%
60+	1,979	-1,680	-45.9%	343	21.0%
INA	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%

Industry	Apr-25	Mar-25		Apr-24	
Construction	2,896	-5,811	-66.7%	301	11.6%
Manufacturing	2,712	-596	-18.0%	913	50.8%
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt.	829	-1,128	-57.6%	90	12.2%
Retail Trade	595	-115	-16.2%	112	23.2%
Transportation & Warehousing	556	-374	-40.2%	84	17.8%

Occupation	Apr-25	Mar-25		Apr-24	
Construction & Extraction	2,152	-4,547	-67.9%	258	13.6%
Production	2,074	-236	-10.2%	670	47.7%
Transportation & Material Moving	1,358	-2,010	-59.7%	164	13.7%
Management	1,015	-450	-30.7%	147	16.9%
Office & Administrative Support	990	-157	-13.7%	114	13.0%

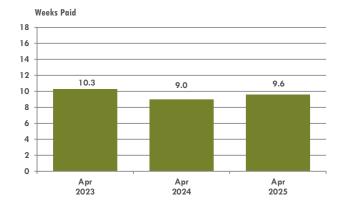
### \*INA-Information Not Provided



## Recipients represent the number of persons receiving at least one UI benefit payment during the month.

The number of UI recipients for April 2025 (20,248) decreased by 6,961 from the recipient number in March 2025 (27,209) and increased by 4,115 when compared to April 2024, (16,133). Most claims coming from layoffs in manufacturing.

### DURATION OF UI BENEFITS



- The maximum duration of UI benefits for most UI claimants is 16 weeks, (26 weeks maximum for plant closing). Duration measures the 12 month average of regular UI benefits only.
- The duration of benefits for April 2025 was at 9.6 weeks. An increase from March 2025 (9.5 weeks). The duration of benefits was 9.0 weeks in April 2024.

Source: Iowa Unemployment Insurance Statistics. Note: The UI system was primarily designed to serve people who lost their last job. These characteristics do not necessarily reflect job leavers, new entrants, reentrants, and benefit exhaustees. Only regular UI claims are represented here. Typically about 30% to 40% of unemployed persons are receiving UI benefits in Iowa. This may be higher during recessions.