

DES Unemployment Insurance (UI) Program Data for April 2020

Please find attached the latest information on unemployment insurance claims at the county, MSA, and Economic Development Region level.

I have attached excel files for the above geographical are with 2019 and 2020 claims information. If you would like additional information, including historical data, please use the link below.

I have also included a link to information on mass layoffs that fall under WARN Act (Illinois Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act).

Unemployment Insurance (UI) Program Data

Unemployment Insurance (UI) statistics are derived from administrative data collected on individuals currently applying for and those receiving Unemployment Insurance.

- Initial Claim - A request for determination of insured status (new claim) or a notice filed when a break in job attachment has occurred, (additional claim). Insured status refers to qualifying base period wages with an insured employer and the determination of the individual's weekly benefit amount.

https://www2.illinois.gov/ides/lmi/Pages/Unemployment_Insurance_Program_Data.aspx

Notices of Layoffs and Closures (WARN)

The Illinois Department of Commerce and Local Workforce Innovation Areas (LWIAs) provide services to employers in the state of Illinois who are planning or have gone through a layoff. Along with providing services, they, along with individuals and employers, have the ability to report layoffs in Illinois.

A WARN layoff is a plant closure or mass layoff. Under state law, employers must notify the state when they plan to lay off workers. This law is known as the WARN Act (Illinois Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act).

<https://www.illinoisworknet.com/LayoffRecovery/Pages/ArchivedWARNReports.aspx>