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Massachusetts Weekly Unemployment Claimant Data

Massachusetts had 27,034 individuals file an initial claim for standard Unemployment Insurance (UI) from May 24 to May 30, a decrease of 10,584 over the previous week. Since March 15, a total of 924,239 initial claims have been filed for UI. For the same week, there were 575,862 continued UI claims filed, a decrease of 12,187 or 2.1% over the previous week. This marks the first decrease in continued UI weeks claimed since the beginning of the pandemic related unemployment surge.

At 54,281, Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) initial claims filed for the week ending May 30 were 93,313 less than the previous week. Since April 20, 2020, 573,077 claimants have filed for PUA.

The Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC), which provided up to 13 weeks of extended benefits to individuals who have exhausted or expired their regular unemployment compensation since July 2019 was implemented on May 21. For the week ending May 23, 39,011 PEUC claims were filed followed by 4,242 PEUC filings for the week of May 24 to May 30.

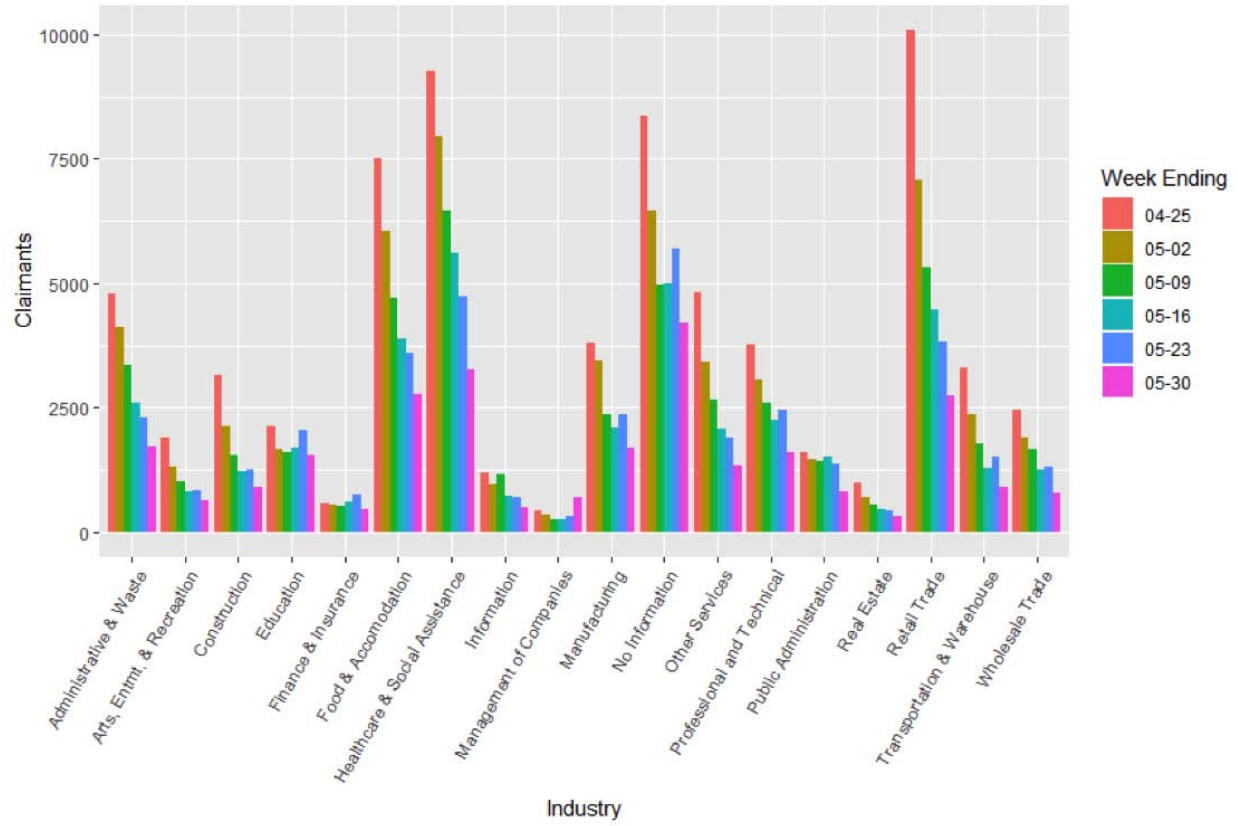
Since March, the customer service staff at the [Department of Unemployment Assistance \(DUA\)](#) has grown from around 50 employees to nearly 2000. The remote customer service operation is now making over 35,000 individual contacts per day and DUA continues to host daily unemployment town halls – which have been held in English, Spanish, and Portuguese - and have been attended by nearly 300,000 constituents.

The below charts are relative to standard UI only.

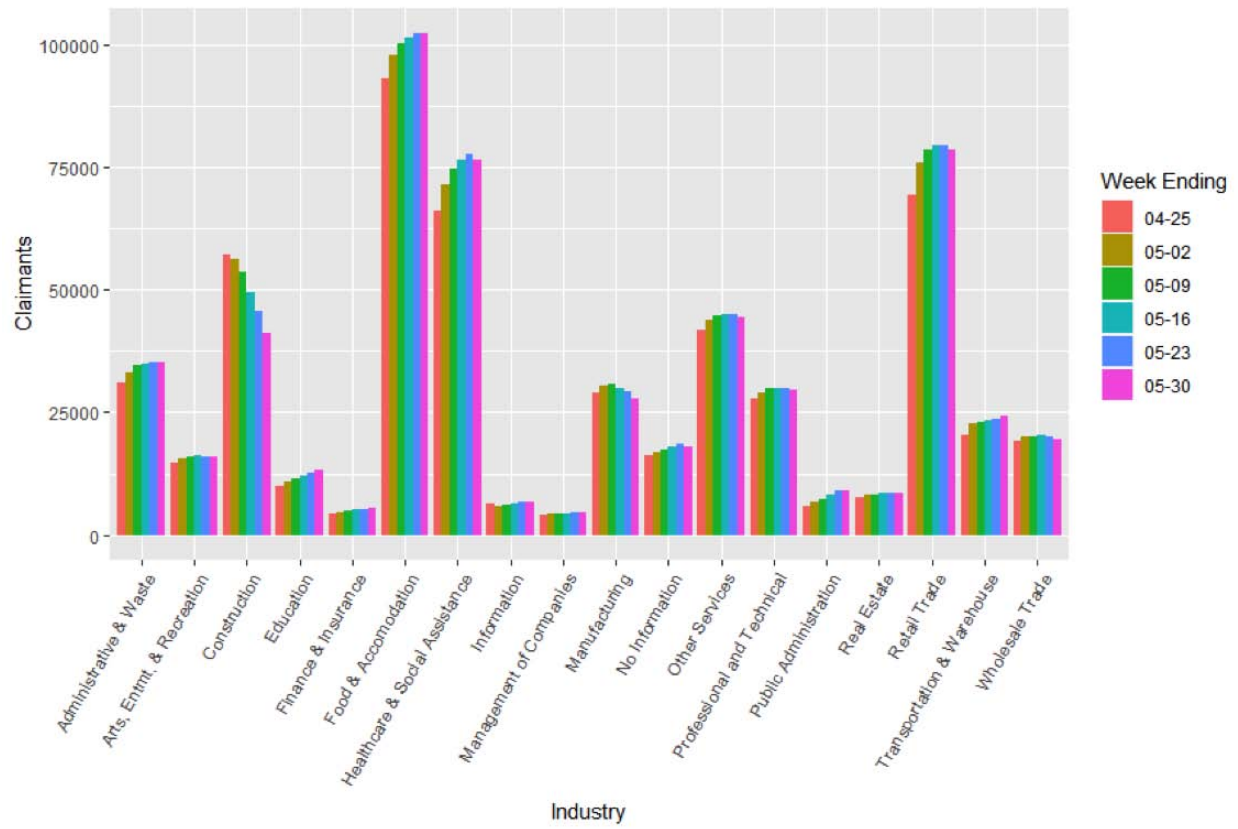
Initial Claims Filed

Industry	Week Ending 5/23	Week Ending 5/30	Change	% Change
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	104	85	-19	-18.3%
Mining	6	3	-3	-50.0%
Utilities	35	21	-14	-40.0%
Construction	1,262	890	-372	-29.5%
Manufacturing	2,359	1,698	-661	-28.0%
Wholesale Trade	1,303	796	-507	-38.9%
Retail Trade	3,840	2,752	-1,088	-28.3%
Transportation & Warehouse	1,504	903	-601	-40.0%
Information	692	483	-209	-30.2%
Finance & Insurance	743	455	-288	-38.8%
Real Estate	435	301	-134	-30.8%
Professional and Technical Services	2,459	1,597	-862	-35.1%
Management of Companies	308	684	376	122.1%
Administrative & Waste Services	2,316	1,720	-596	-25.7%
Education	2,044	1,541	-503	-24.6%
Health & Social Assistance	4,733	3,279	-1,454	-30.7%
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	839	637	-202	-24.1%
Food & Accommodation	3,585	2,768	-817	-22.8%
Other Services	1,895	1343	-552	-29.1%
Public Administration	1,357	811	-546	-40.2%
Information Not Available	5,799	4,267	-1,532	-26.4%

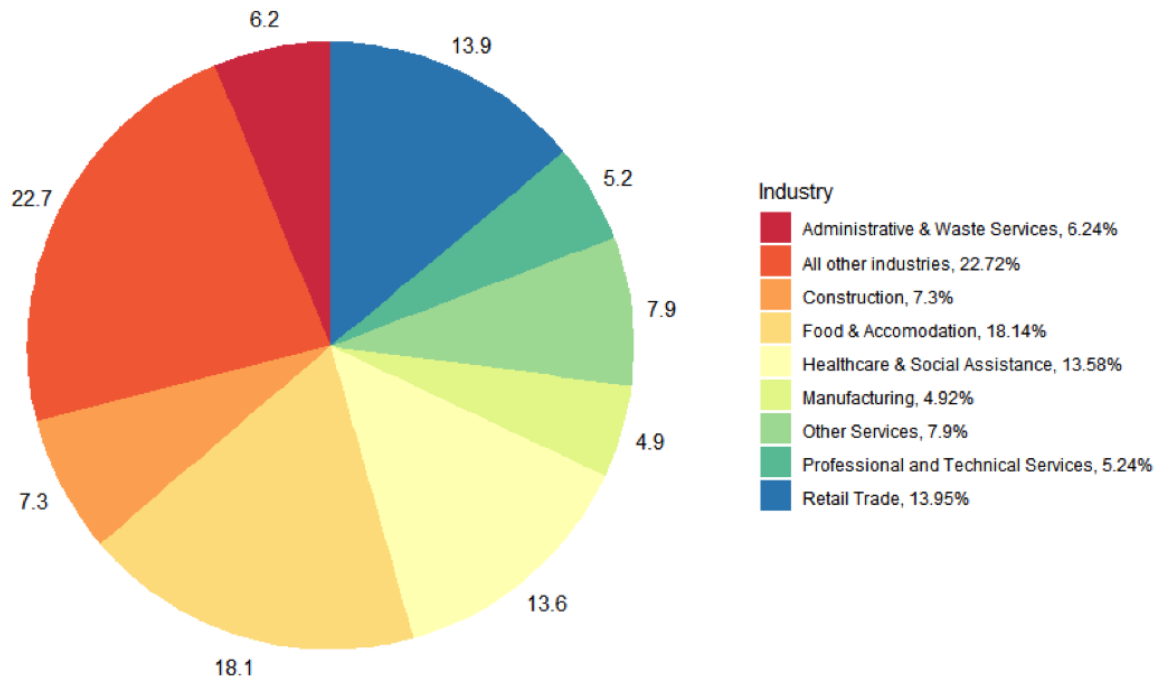
Initial claims by industry



Continued weeks claimed by industry



Industry share of CWC in most recent week

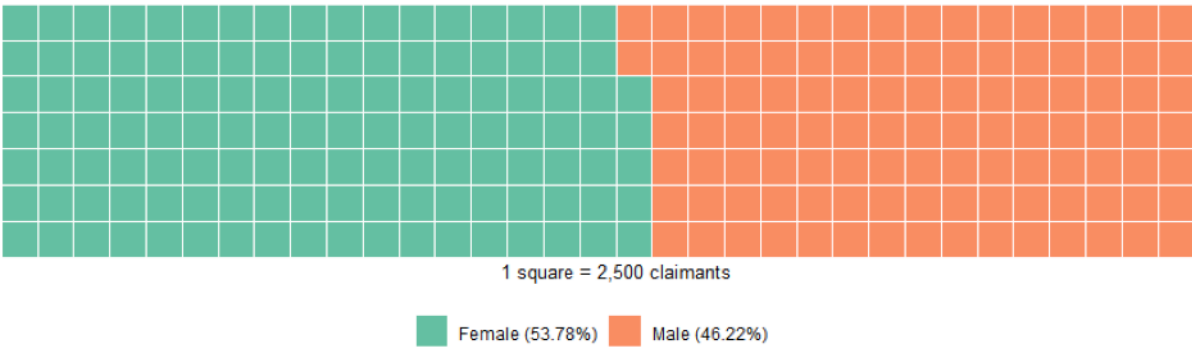


Industry	Percent
Food & Accomodation	18.14%
Retail Trade	13.95%
Healthcare & Social Assistance	13.58%
Other Services	7.9%
Construction	7.3%
Administrative & Waste Services	6.24%
Professional and Technical Services	5.24%
Manufacturing	4.92%
All other industries	22.72%

Below we present demographic statistics on ethnicity, gender, and race for all those claimants who filed for a continued week in the period prior to the above information. This is to say that because of the timing of data availability, the below statistics reflect continued weeks claimed in the week ending May 23rd rather than the week ending May 30th.

Claimants by Gender

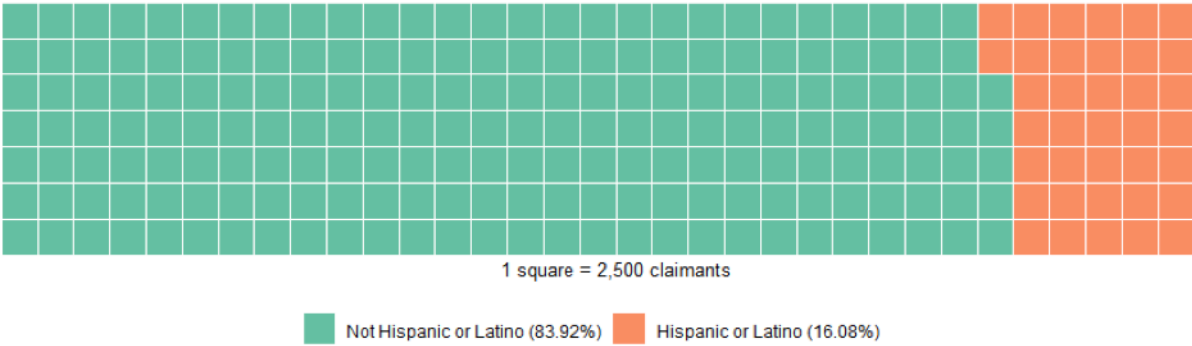
Continued Weeks Claimed by Gender

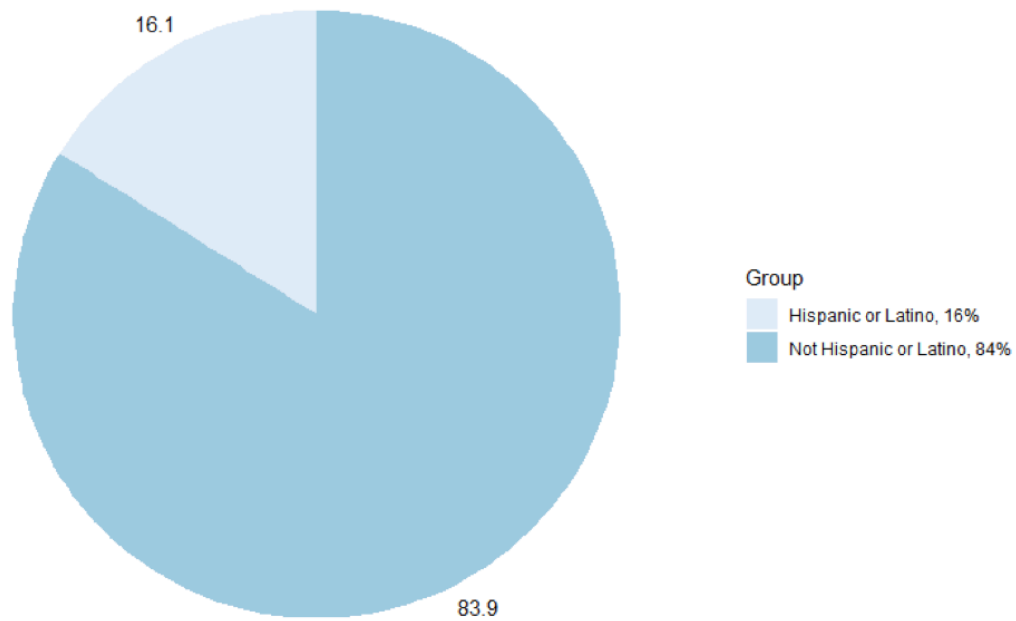


Group	Percent
Female	53.78%
Male	46.22%

Claimants by Ethnicity

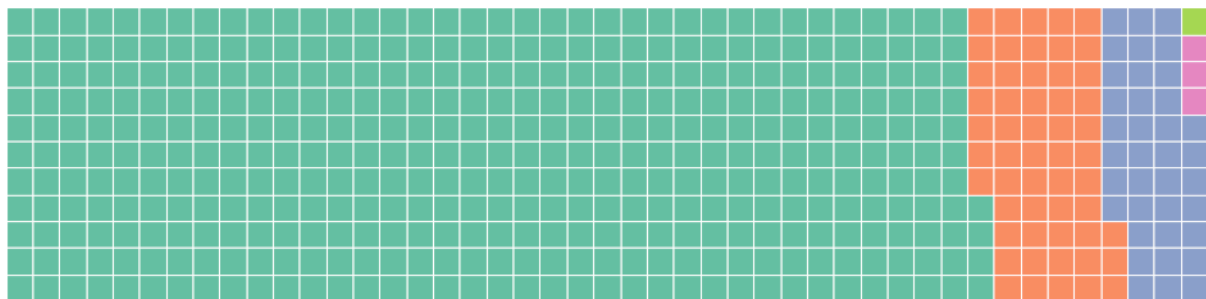
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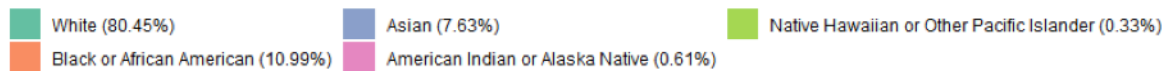


Claimants by Race

Continued Weeks Claimed by Race



1 square = 1,000 claimants



Group	Percent
white	80.45%
Black or African American	10.99%
Asian	7.63%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.61%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.33%

