

# PROFILE OF IOWA'S UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT RECIPIENTS

## January 2024



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.



Iowa Workforce Development

### GENDER



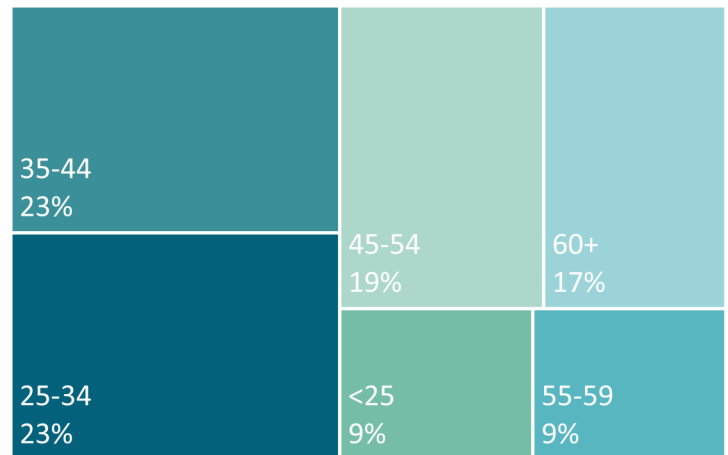
**80%** of claimants were **MALE**



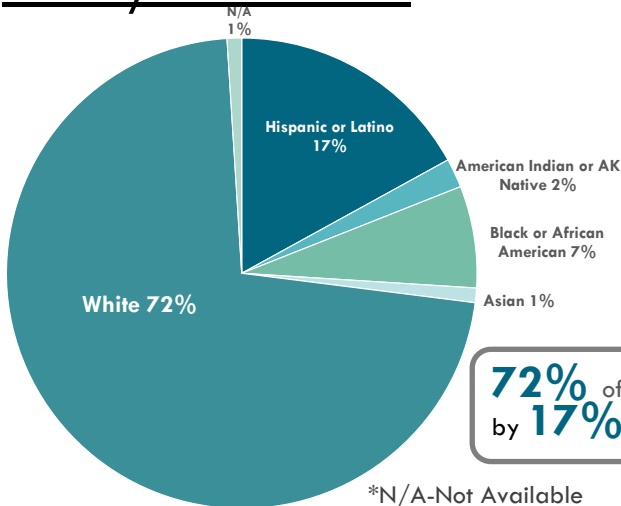
**19%** of claimants were **FEMALE**

1% of gender responses, N/A

### AGE



### RACE/ETHNICITY



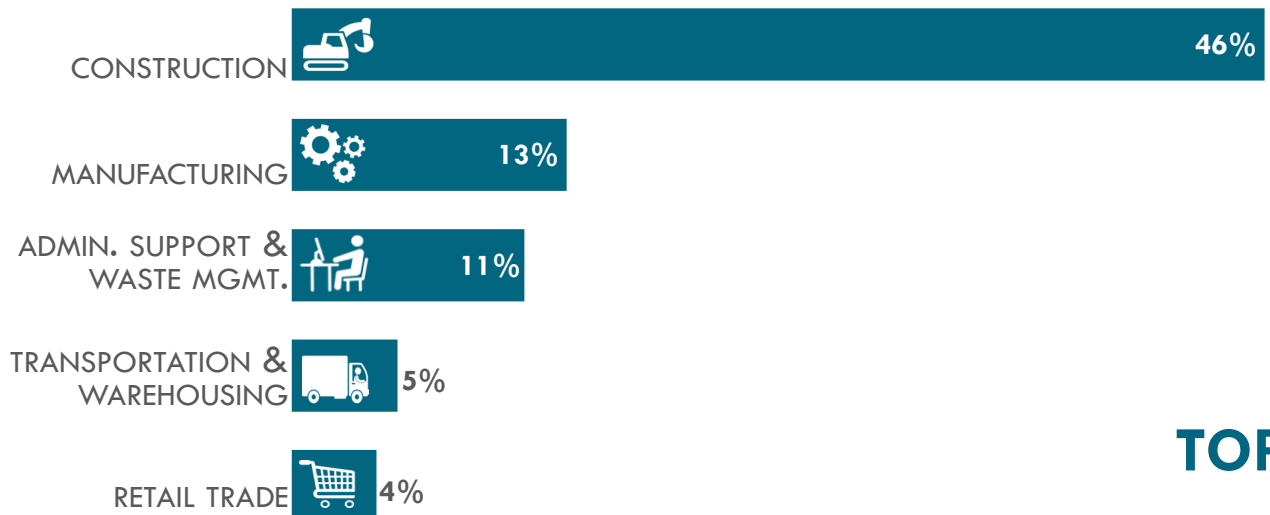
**65%** of all claimants were between the ages of **25 & 54.**

**72%** of all claimants were White followed by **17%** Hispanic or Latino.

\*N/A-Not Available



### INDUSTRY

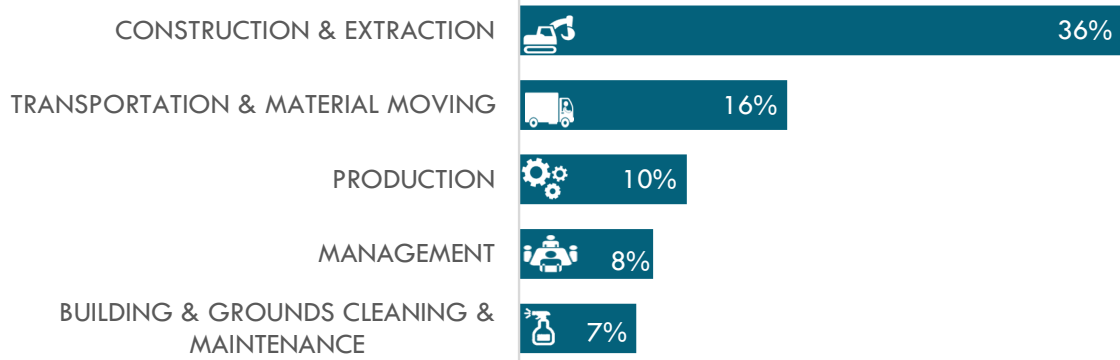


**TOP 5**

INDUSTRIES OF CLAIMANTS

OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORIES OF CLAIMANTS

OCCUPATION



CHANGE

Age	Jan-24	Dec-23	Jan-23	Jan-23	Jan-23
<25	1,606	579	56.4%	-247	-13.3%
25-34	4,399	1,540	53.9%	-124	-2.7%
35-44	4,332	1,263	41.2%	24	0.6%
45-54	3,723	1,046	39.1%	-103	-2.7%
55-59	1,757	502	40.0%	-36	-2.0%
60+	3,388	1,185	53.8%	17	0.5%
INA	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%

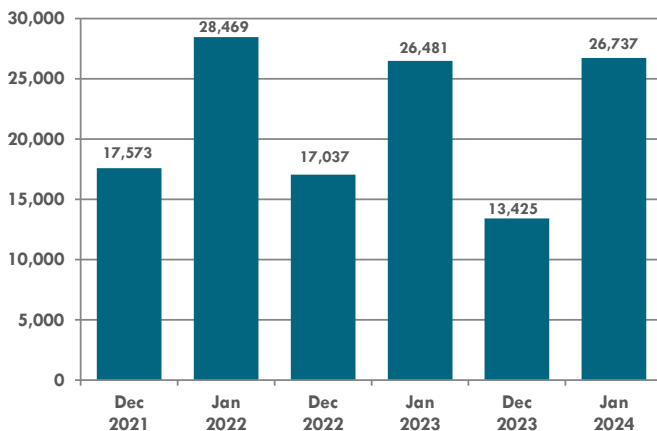
Industry	Jan-24	Dec-23	Jan-23	Jan-23	Jan-23
Construction	8,888	4,294	93.5%	-703	-7.3%
Manufacturing	2,442	82	3.5%	310	14.5%
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt.	2,090	526	33.6%	-251	-10.7%
Transportation & Warehousing	867	444	105.0%	135	18.4%
Retail Trade	749	105	16.3%	22	3.0%

Gender	Jan-24	Dec-23	Jan-23	Jan-23	Jan-23
Male	15,314	5,863	62.0%	-691	-4.3%
Female	3,768	236	6.7%	238	6.7%
INA	123	16	15.0%	-16	-11.5%

Occupation	Jan-24	Dec-23	Jan-23	Jan-23	Jan-23
Construction & Extraction	6,898	3,302	91.8%	-147	-2.1%
Transportation & Material Moving	3,136	1,594	103.4%	-491	-13.5%
Production	1,906	46	2.5%	277	17.0%
Management	1,433	291	25.5%	29	2.1%
Build. & Grounds Cleaning & Maintenance	1,410	386	37.7%	-284	-16.8%

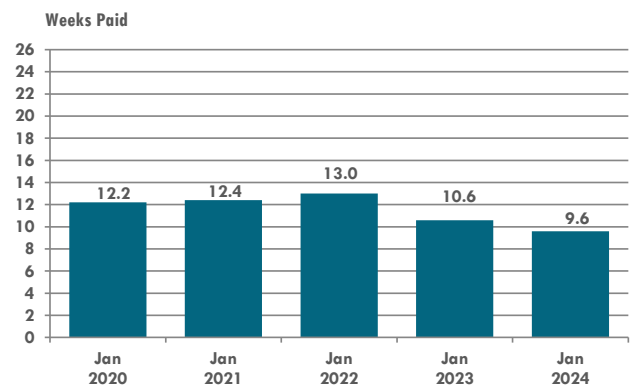
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NUMBER OF UI RECIPIENTS



- Recipients represent the number of persons receiving at least one UI benefit payment during the month.
- The number of UI recipients for January 2024 (26,737) increased by 13,312 from the recipient number in December 2023 (13,425) and increased by 256 when compared to January 2023, (26,481). Most claims coming from temporary layoffs in manufacturing and seasonal layoffs in construction.

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 January 2024 was at 9.6 weeks. A decrease from December 2023 (9.7 weeks). The duration of benefits was 10.6 weeks in January 2023.

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.