

PROFILE OF IOWA'S UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT RECIPIENTS

January 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.



GENDER



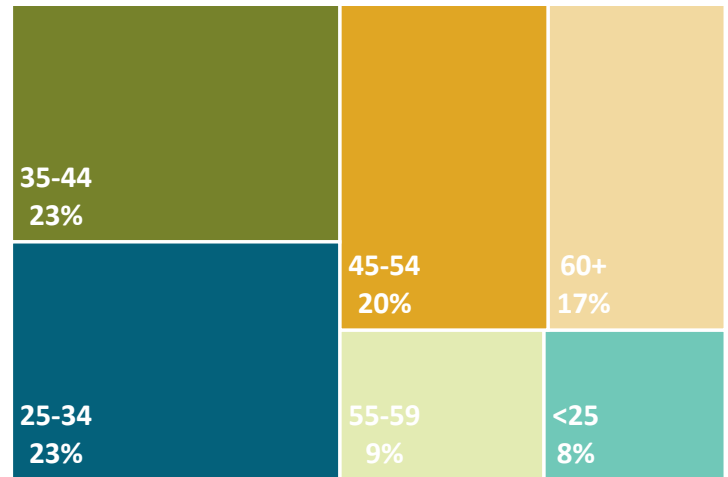
80% of claimants were **MALE**



19% of claimants were **FEMALE**

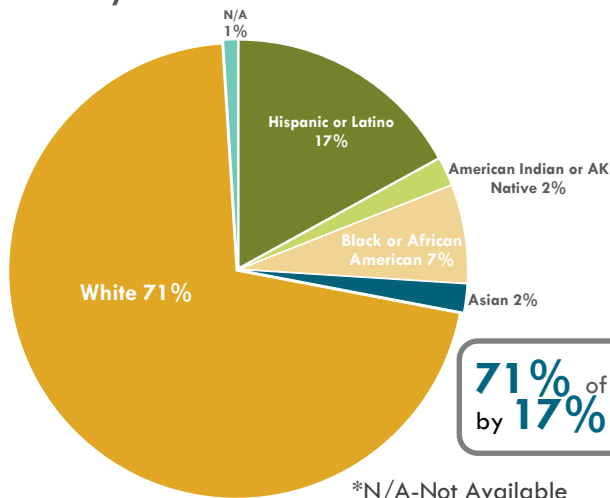
1% of gender responses, N/A

AGE



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

RACE/ETHNICITY

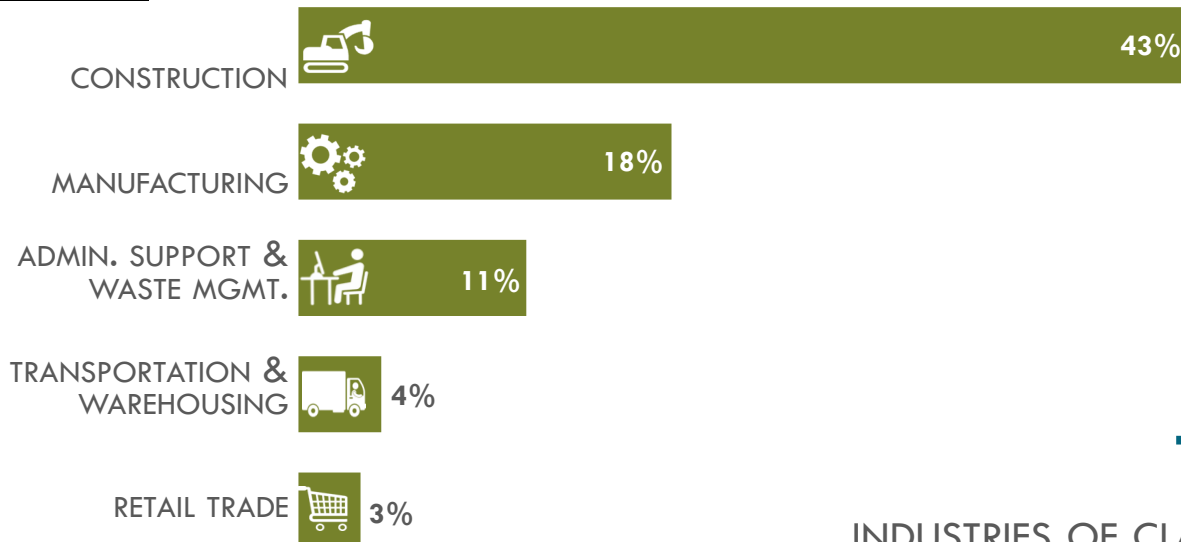


71% of all claimants were White followed by **17%** Hispanic or Latino.

*N/A-Not Available



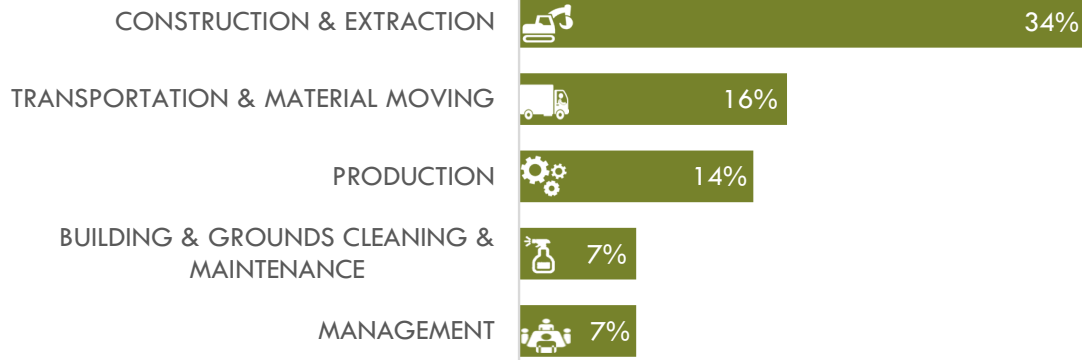
INDUSTRY



TOP 5
INDUSTRIES OF CLAIMANTS

OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORIES OF CLAIMANTS

OCCUPATION



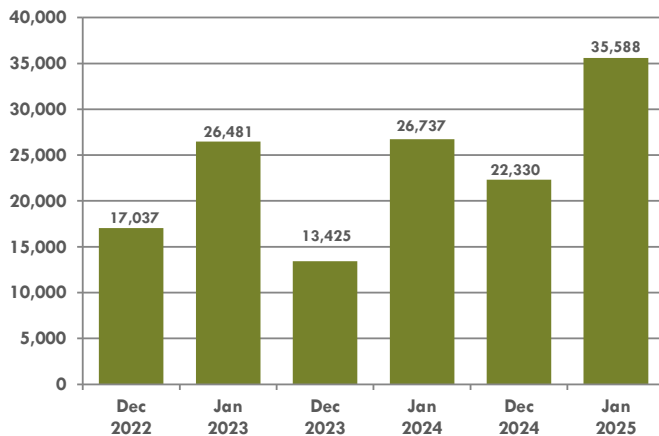
CHANGE

| Age | Jan-25 | Dec-24 | Jan-24 | | Industry | Jan-25 | Dec-24 | Jan-24 | | | |
|-------|--------|--------|--------|-----|----------|------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|
| <25 | 1,869 | 848 | 83.1% | 263 | 16.4% | Construction | 9,709 | 5,426 | 126.7% | 821 | 9.2% |
| 25-34 | 5,189 | 1,978 | 61.6% | 790 | 18.0% | Manufacturing | 4,092 | 11 | 0.3% | 1,650 | 67.6% |
| 35-44 | 5,067 | 1,549 | 44.0% | 735 | 17.0% | Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. | 2,394 | 898 | 60.0% | 304 | 14.5% |
| 45-54 | 4,559 | 1,448 | 46.5% | 836 | 22.5% | Transportation & Warehousing | 797 | 326 | 69.2% | -70 | -8.1% |
| 55-59 | 2,116 | 693 | 48.7% | 359 | 20.4% | Retail Trade | 784 | 125 | 19.0% | 35 | 4.7% |
| 60+ | 3,699 | 1,316 | 55.2% | 311 | 9.2% | | | | | | |
| INA | 0 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0% | | | | | | |

| Occupation | Jan-25 | Dec-24 | Jan-24 | | |
|---|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|
| Construction & Extraction | 7,539 | 6,898 | 120.1% | 641 | 9.3% |
| Transportation & Material Moving | 3,511 | 3,136 | 102.6% | 375 | 12.0% |
| Production | 3,161 | 115 | 3.8% | 1,255 | 65.8% |
| Management | 1,607 | 404 | 33.6% | 174 | 12.1% |
| Building & Grounds Cleaning & Maintenance | 1,548 | 632 | 69.0% | 138 | 9.8% |

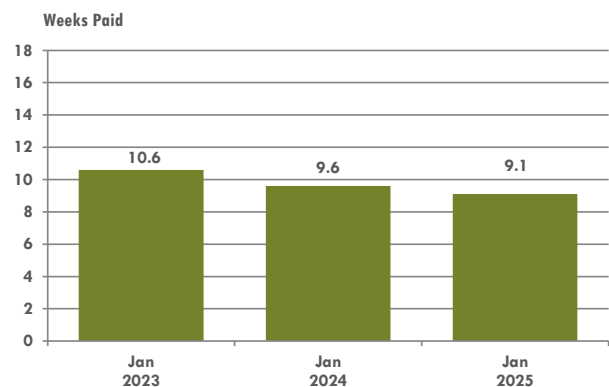
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NUMBER OF UI RECIPIENTS



- Recipients represent the number of persons receiving at least one UI benefit payment during the month.
- The number of UI recipients for January 2025 (35,588) increased by 13,258 from the recipient number in December 2024 (22,330) and increased by 8,851 when compared to January 2024, (26,737). Most claims coming from 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 2025 was at 9.1 weeks. An increase from December 2024 (9.0 weeks). The duration of benefits was 9.6 weeks in January 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.