

# PROFILE OF IOWA'S UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT RECIPIENTS

February 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



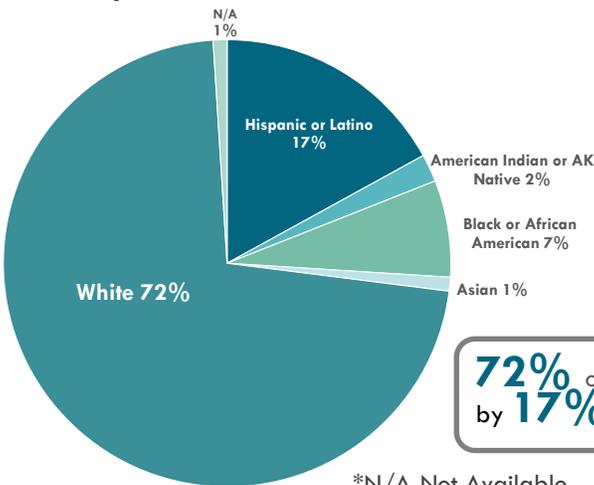
**81%** of claimants were **MALE**



**18%** of claimants were **FEMALE**

1% of gender responses, N/A

## RACE/ETHNICITY



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

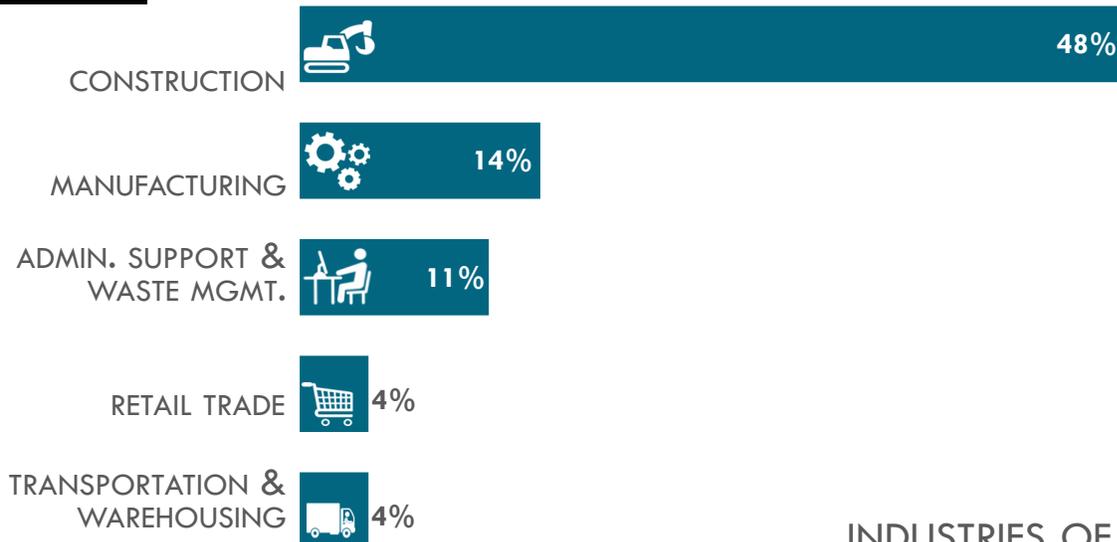
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## AGE



**64%** of all claimants were between the ages of **25 & 54.**

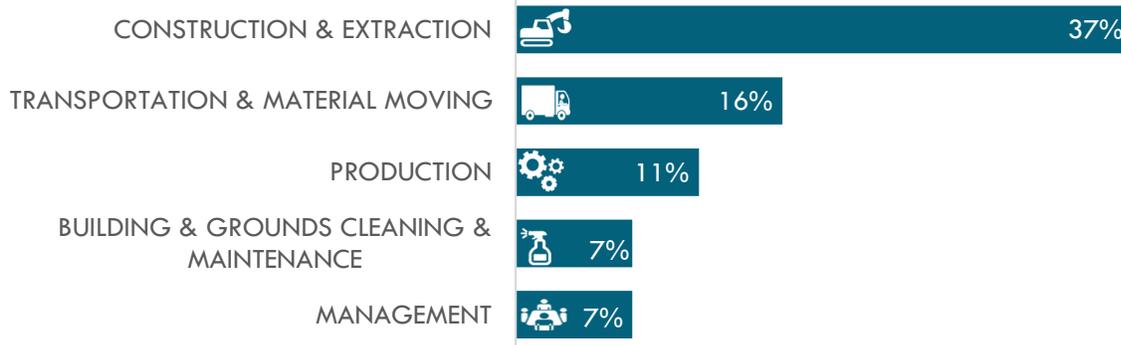
## INDUSTRY



**TOP 5**

INDUSTRIES OF CLAIMANTS

# OCCUPATION



# CHANGE

Age	Feb-24	Jan-24	Feb-23
<25	1,717	111	6.9%
25-34	4,577	178	4.0%
35-44	4,541	209	4.8%
45-54	4,076	353	9.5%
55-59	1,986	229	13.0%
60+	3,649	261	7.7%
INA	0	0	0.0%

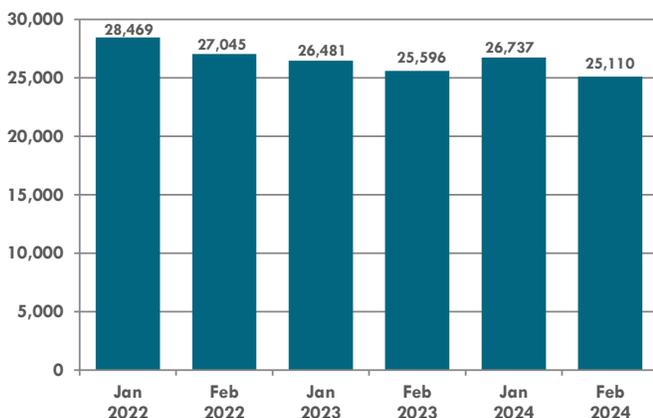
Industry	Feb-24	Jan-24	Feb-23
Construction	9,840	952	10.7%
Manufacturing	2,848	406	16.6%
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt.	2,224	134	6.4%
Transportation & Warehousing	800	-67	-7.7%
Retail Trade	791	42	5.6%

Occupation	Jan-24	Dec-23	Jan-23
Construction & Extraction	7,600	702	10.2%
Transportation & Material Moving	3,340	204	6.5%
Production	2,162	256	13.4%
Management	1,512	79	5.5%
Build. & Grounds Cleaning & Maintenance	1,467	57	4.0%

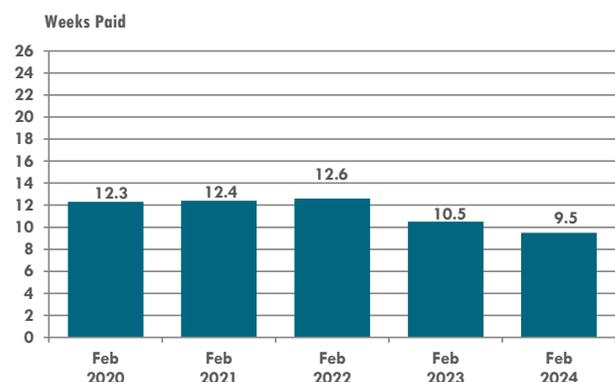
Gender	Feb-24	Jan-24	Feb-23
Male	16,714	1,400	9.1%
Female	3,704	-64	-1.7%
INA	128	5	4.1%

\*INA-Information Not Provided

NUMBER OF UI RECIPIENTS



DURATION OF UI BENEFITS



- Recipients represent the number of persons receiving at least one UI benefit payment during the month.
- The number of UI recipients for February 2024 (25,110) decreased by 1,627 from the recipient number in January 2024 (26,737) and decreased by 486 when compared to February 2023, (25,596). Most claims coming from temporary layoffs in manufacturing and seasonal layoffs in construction.

- 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 February 2024 was at 9.5 weeks. A decrease from January 2024 (9.6 weeks). The duration of benefits was 10.5 weeks in February 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.