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Massachusetts Weekly Unemployment Claimant Data 09-10-20

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MASSACHUSETTS – From August 30 to September 5, a total of 18,131 individuals file an initial claim for regular Unemployment Insurance (UI), the fourth consecutive week of increases, up 88 over the previous week. Increases in initial claims filings were low, and widespread among several sectors. From March 15 to September 5, a total of 1,244,306 have filed an initial claim for regular UI. For the twelfth week in a row of decreases, continued UI claims for week ending September 5, at 387,829, were down 12,487 or 3.1 percent over the previous week.

The Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) initial claims filed for the week ending September 5 at 11,424, an increase of 392 over the previous week. Since April 20, 2020, 757,168 claimants have filed an initial claim for the PUA.

The Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC), which provided up to 13 weeks of extended benefits, was implemented on May 21. From August 30 to September 5, 6,745 PEUC initial claims were filed, 340 higher than the previous week bringing the total of PEUC filings to 114,328 since implementation.

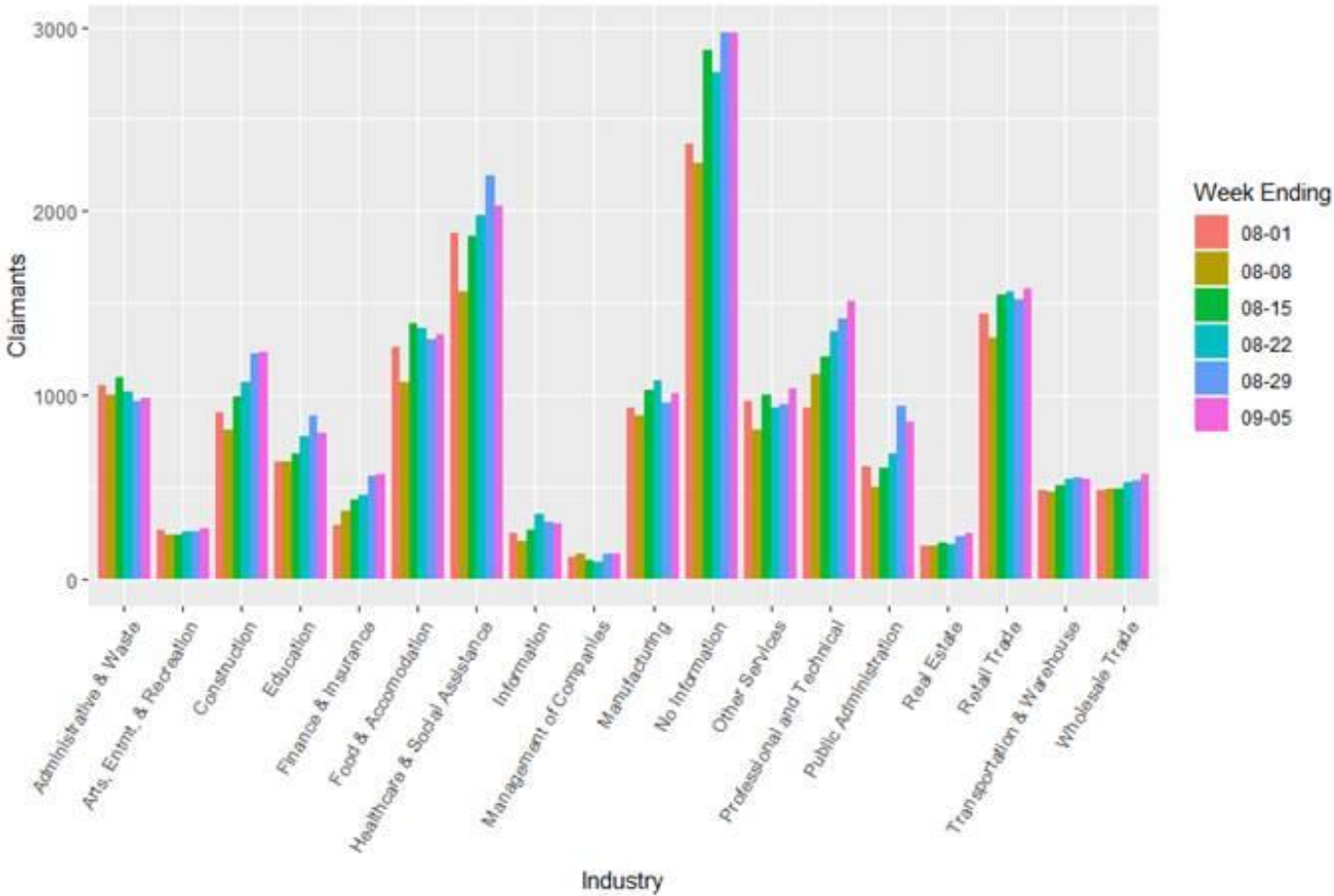
Initial Claims Filed

Industry	Week Ending 8/29	Week Ending 9/05	Change	% Change
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	84	93	9	10.7%
Mining	3	7	4	133.3%
Utilities	30	48	18	60.0%

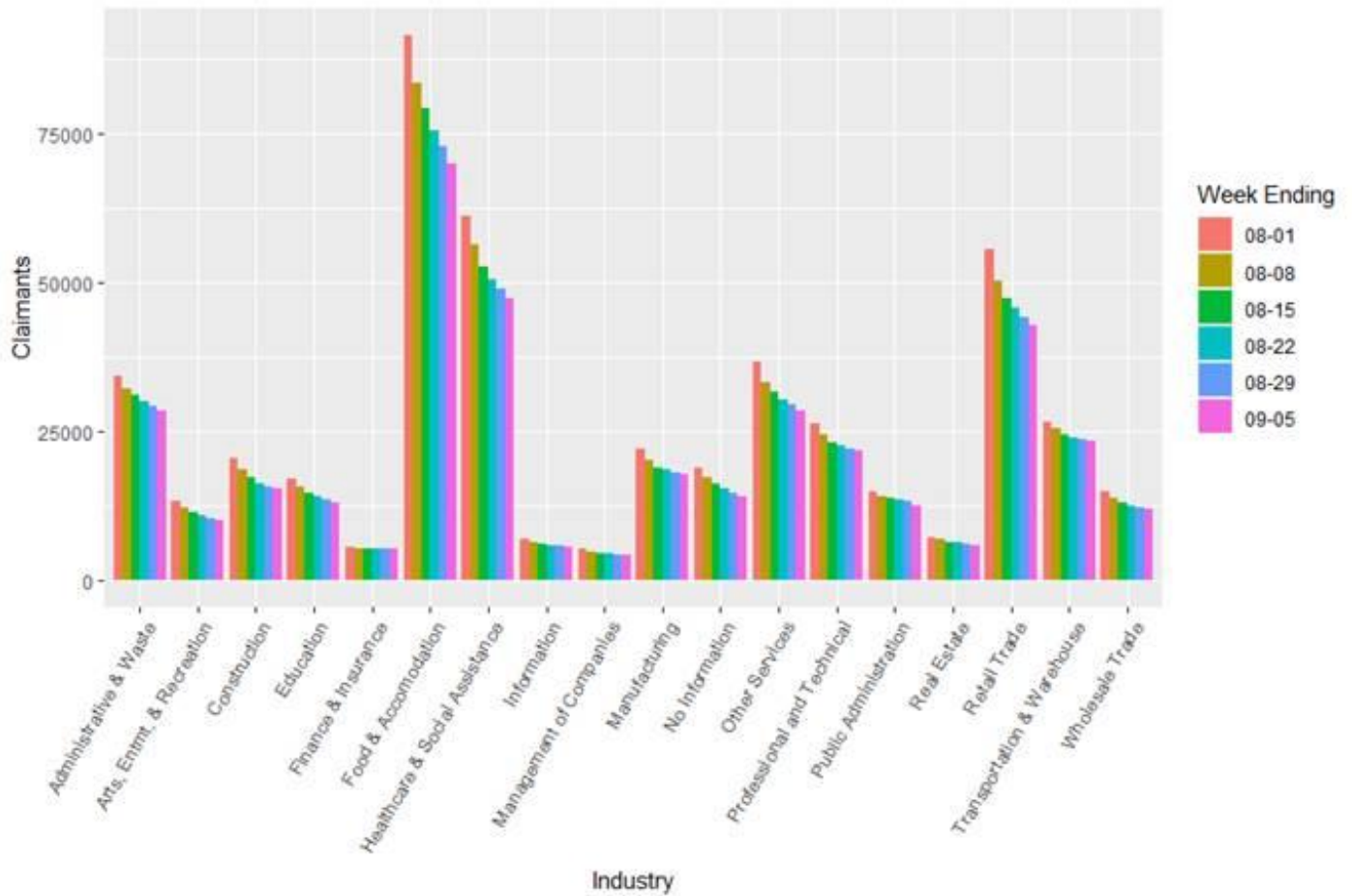
Construction	1,228	1,234	6	0.5%
Manufacturing	958	1,012	54	5.6%
Wholesale Trade	530	566	36	6.8%
Retail Trade	1,523	1,581	58	3.8%
Transportation & Warehouse	548	542	-6	-1.1%
Information	313	305	-8	-2.6%
Finance & Insurance	558	566	8	1.4%
Real Estate	228	248	20	8.8%
Professional and Technical Services	1,417	1,510	93	6.6%
Management of Companies	135	136	1	0.7%
Administrative & Waste Services	964	984	20	2.1%
Education	887	796	-91	-10.3%
Health & Social Assistance	2,196	2,029	-167	-7.6%
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	258	279	21	8.1%

Food & Accommodation	1,303	1,330	27	2.1%
Other Services	952	1,038	86	9.0%
Public Administration	936	857	-79	-8.4%
Information Not Available	2,992	2,936	-22	-0.7%

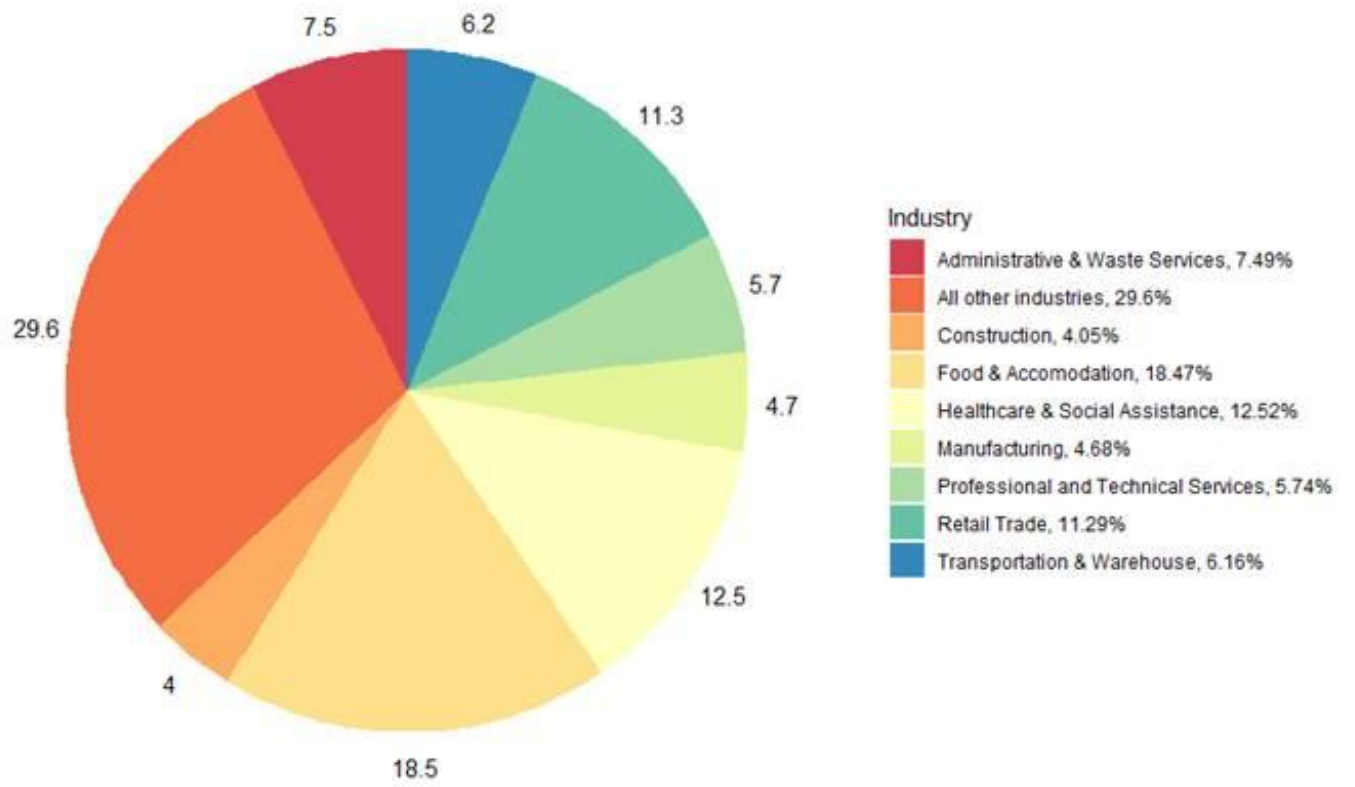
Initial claims by industry



Continued weeks claimed by industry



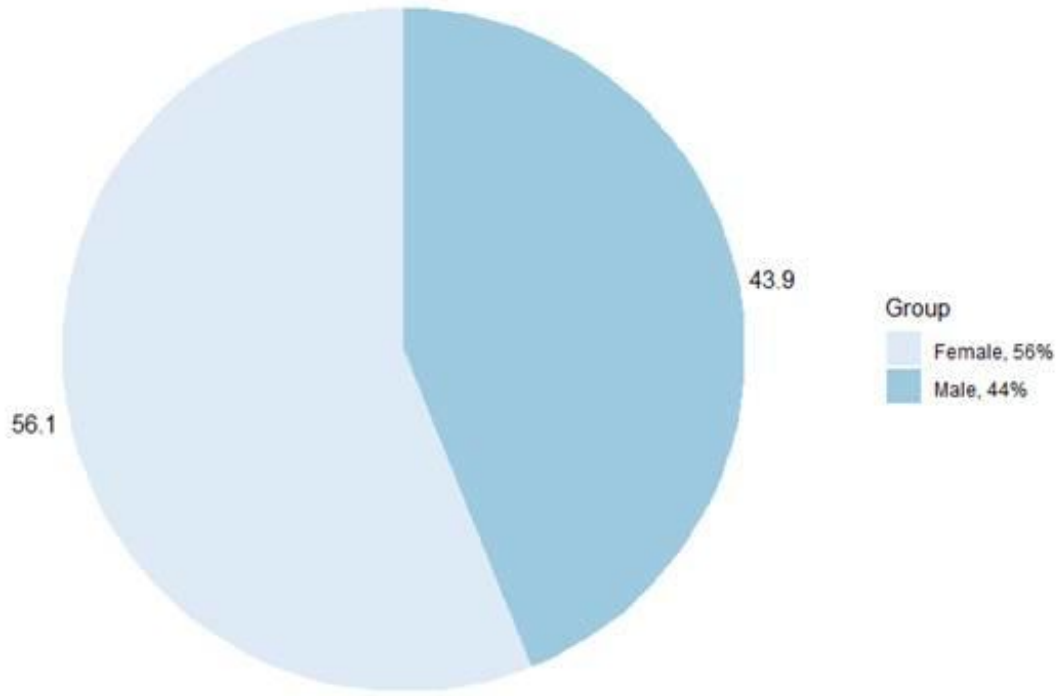
Industry share of CWC in most recent week



Industry	Percent
Food & Accomodation	18.47%
Healthcare & Social Assistance	12.52%
Retail Trade	11.29%
Administrative & Waste Services	7.49%
Transportation & Warehouse	6.16%
Professional and Technical Services	5.74%
Manufacturing	4.68%
Construction	4.05%
All other industries	29.6%

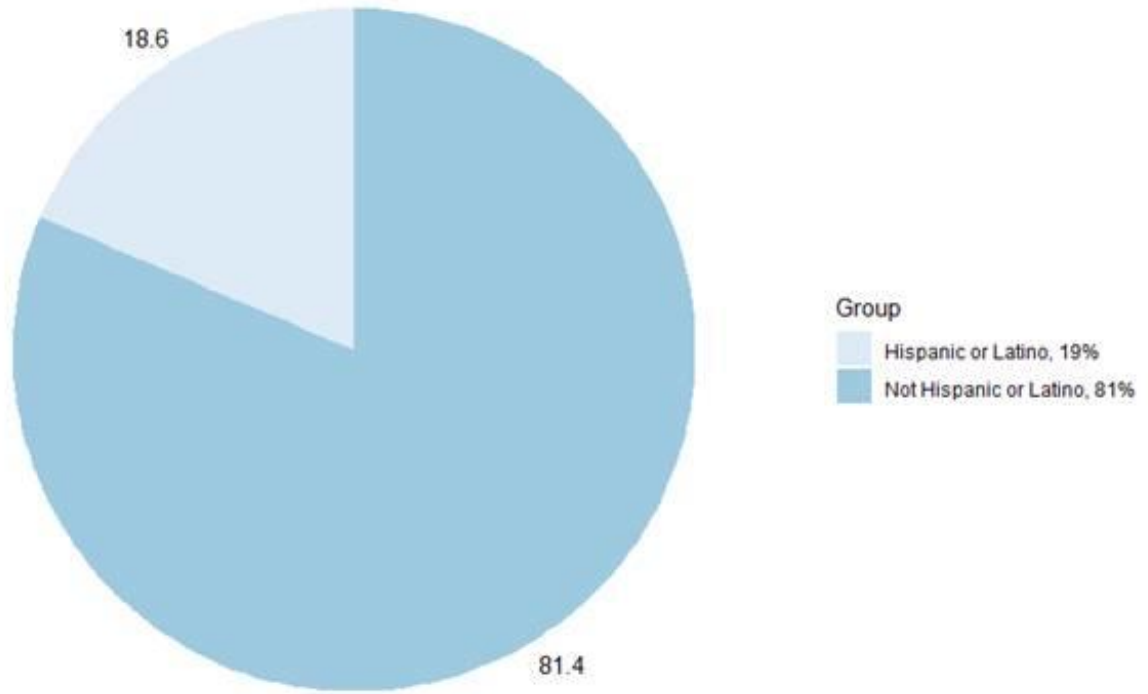
Below we present demographic statistics on ethnicity, gender, and race for all those claimants who filed for a continued week in the period prior to the above information. This is to say that because of the timing of data availability, the below statistics reflect continued weeks claimed in the week ending August 29th rather than the week ending September 5th.

Claimants by Gender



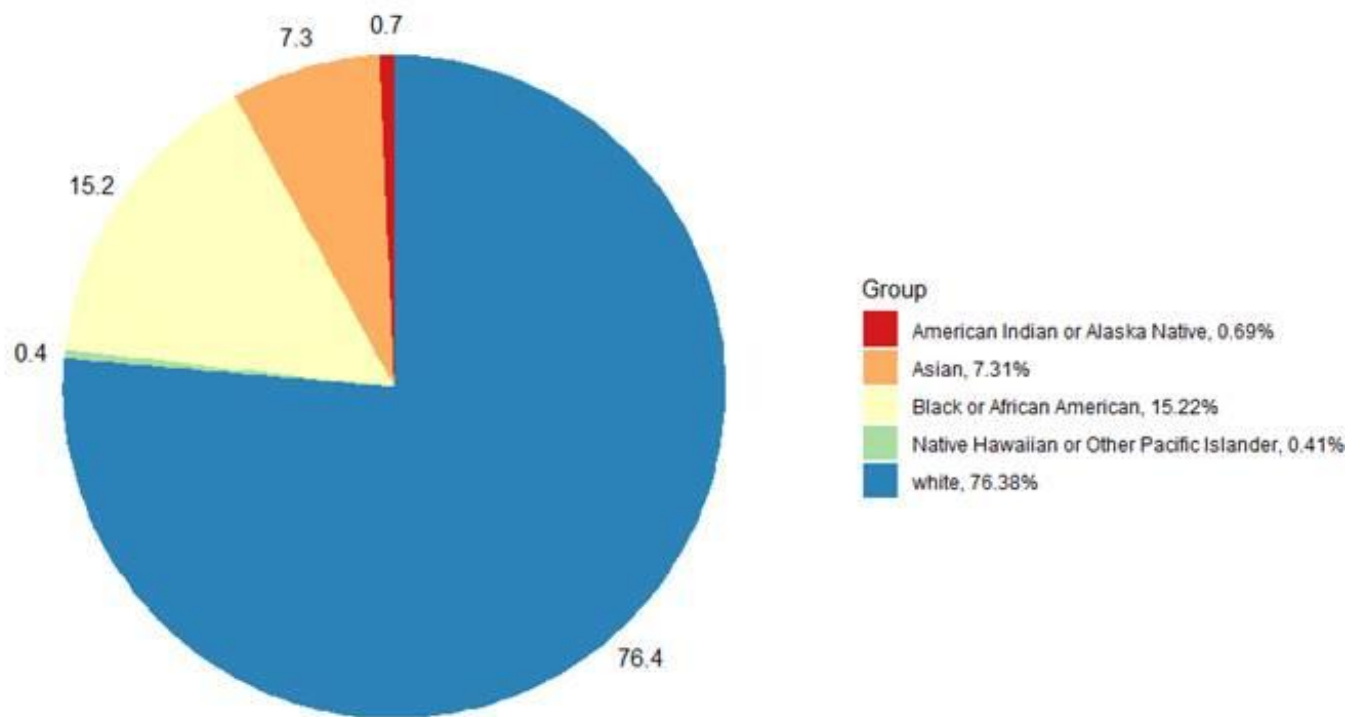
Group	Percent
Female	56.14%
Male	43.86%

Claimants by Ethnicity



Group	Percent
Not Hispanic or Latino	81.36%
Hispanic or Latino	18.64%

Claimants by Race



Group	Percent
white	76.38%
Black or African American	15.22%
Asian	7.31%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.69%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.41%

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