

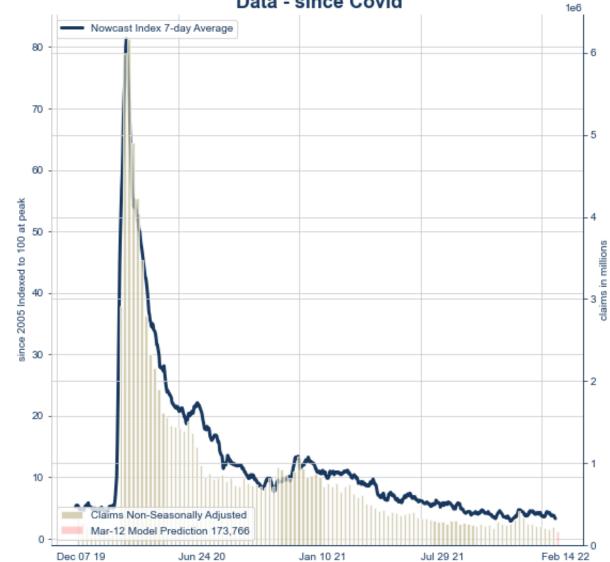
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## **Jobless Claims: Slight Rebound**

**Bottom Line:** Claims rose slightly in the week ended March 5th after two weeks of sharp declines in late February. On a trend basis, claims are settling into a new equilibrium in the low 200s as continuing claims continue to decline. Overall, this is consistent with a continued solid labor market. Our Nowcast model suggests the current week is running below 200k (with still three collection days to go).



## Claims vs. Nowcast Index Data - since Covid

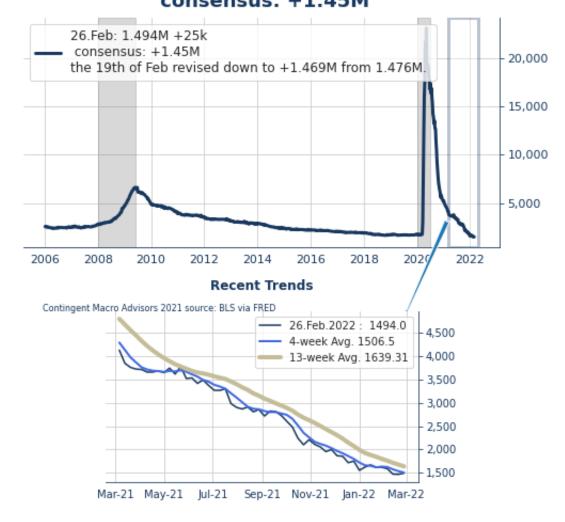


## Initial Jobless Claims 05.Mar: 227k +11k consensus: +217k





## Continuing Claims 26.Feb: 1.494M +25k consensus: +1.45M



Initial Jobless Claims ROSE 11k in the week ended March 5th to 227k, BELOW the 4-week average of 231.25k, BELOW the 13-week average of 229.92308k and 507k BELOW the year-ago level. Claims for the 26th of Feb were revised up from +215k to +216k. Non-seasonally adjusted Claims ROSE 22.025k

**Continuing Claims** ROSE 25k in the week ended February 26th to 1.494M, BELOW the 4-week average of 1.5065M, BELOW the 13-week average of 1.639308M and 2.663M BELOW the year-ago level. Continuing Claims for the 19th of Feb were revised down from +1.476M to +1.469M

| US Weekly Jobless<br>Claims in 000s | Mar-05 | Feb-26 | Feb-19 | Feb-12 | Feb-05 | Jan-29 | Jan-22 | Jan-15 |
|-------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Initial Jobless Claims<br>SA        | 227.00 | 216.00 | 233.00 | 249.00 | 225.00 | 239.00 | 261.00 | 290.00 |
| wk chg (SA)                         | 11.00  | -17.00 | -16.00 | 24.00  | -14.00 | -22.00 | -29.00 | 59.00  |
|                                     |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |

| wk chg (NSA)   |         | 22.02          | -19.93                    | -23.83 | 83 9.07              |         | -26.84          |         | -11.15 | -72.20   | -79.91          |
|--|---------|----------------|---------------------------|--------|----------------------|---------|-----------------|---------|--------|----------|-----------------|
| 4-week avg (SA) chg in 4wk avg 13-week avg (SA) chg in 13k avg |         | 231.25         | 230.75<br>-5.75<br>226.92 | 236.50 | 243                  | 243.50  |                 | 75      | 255.2  | 5 247.25 | 232.00          |
|  |         | 0.50<br>229.92 |                           | -7.00  | -10.25<br>224.77     |         | -1.50<br>226.38 |         | 8.00   | 15.25    | 21.00<br>233.92 |
|  |         |                |                           | 227.77 |                      |         |                 |         | 229.7  | 7 232.23 |                 |
|  |         | 3.00           | -0.85                     | 3.00   | -1                   | -1.62   |                 | 8       | -2.46  | -1.69    | -0.08           |
| Continuing<br>Claims in 000s<br>(one week lag)                 | Feb-26  | Feb-19         | Feb-1                     | 2 Feb  | -05                  | Jar     | 1-29 Ja         |         | n-22   | Jan-15   | Jan-08          |
| Continuing<br>Claims SA  | 1494.00 | 1469.00        | 1474.0                    | 00 158 | 9.00                 | 1619.00 |                 | 1621.00 |        | 1672.00  | 1624.00         |
| wk chg (SA)  | 25.00   | -5.00          | -115.0                    | 0 -30  | .00 -2               |         | .00 -5          |         | 1.00   | 48.00    | 69.00           |
| Continuing<br>Claims NSA                                       | 1916.17 | 1852.10        | 1910.8                    | 33 197 | 1.48 199             |         | 9.45 20         |         | 34.54  | 2001.23  | 2064.94         |
| wk chg (NSA)   | 64.08   | -58.73         | -60.6                     | 5 -27  | '.96 -3 <del>!</del> |         | 5.09 3          |         | 3.30   | -63.71   | 11.63           |
| 4-week avg<br>(SA)   | 1506.50 | 1537.75        | 1575.7                    | 75 162 | 1625.25              |         | 1634.00         |         | 18.00  | 1651.00  | 1662.50         |
| chg in 4wk avg   | -31.25  | -38.00         | -49.5                     | 0 -8.  | -8.75                |         | 16.00           |         | 3.00   | -11.50   | -58.00          |
| 13-week avg<br>(SA)  | 1639.31 | 1678.15        | 1715.4                    | 16 176 | 1760.15              |         | 1800.15         |         | 45.54  | 1882.46  | 1926.08         |
| chg in 13k avg   | -38.85  | -37.31         | -44.6                     | 9 -40  | 00 -45               |         | 5.38 -3         |         | 6.92   | -43.62   | -65.85          |

230.74 | 257.58 | 268.73 | 340.93

Initial Jobless Claims NSA | 218.07 | 196.05 | 215.98 | 239.81

source: Bureau of Labor Statistics via St. Louis Fed FRED