

8.30 Unemployment insurance statistics, 1970-74, and by month 1973 and 1974

Year, month and end of period	Activity	Claims data ('000)			Benefits data	
		Insured population ¹ '000	Claimants for UIC benefits (end of period) ^{1,2}	Initial and renewal claims received	Number of weeks '000	Average weekly payment \$
1970		5,426	540	2,261	19,817	35.08
1971		5,439	604	2,371	22,634	39.44
1972		7,845	804	2,470	30,462	61.79
1973		8,264	828	2,238	29,537	68.45
1974		8,617	828	2,410	28,461	74.89
1973						
January		7,926	1,056	270	3,634	67.68
February		7,999	1,055	155	3,268	68.49
March		8,031	1,003	158	3,148	68.67
April		8,081	921	150	2,954	68.56
May		8,239	810	157	2,664	67.70
June		8,492	739	154	2,033	67.38
July		8,584	733	179	2,138	68.33
August		8,596	691	161	2,015	67.37
September		8,203	676	161	1,812	68.03
October		8,330	677	191	1,953	69.76
November		8,343	744	247	1,916	68.99
December		8,343	835	256	2,002	71.19
1974						
January		8,324	981	278	3,368	73.80
February		8,337	1,009	170	2,951	75.00
March		8,340	984	159	2,952	75.27
April		8,411	960	156	2,810	75.24
May		8,579	825	172	2,736	74.34
June		8,745	748	157	2,024	73.57
July		9,007	719	188	2,197	73.11
August		9,055	694	151	1,881	73.21
September		8,575	664	171	1,715	74.11
October		8,638	679	224	1,914	75.59
November		8,672	760	253	1,818	77.14
December		8,716	910	332	2,094	78.90
Benefits data (concluded)						
Benefits paid (\$'000)						
	Regular	Sickness	Maternity	Retirement	Fishing	Total ³
1970	--	--	--	--	--	695,222
1971	--	--	--	--	--	890,594
1972	1,764,031	58,854	36,431	2,440	20,403	1,871,802
1973	1,850,930	80,179	66,750	3,691	20,297	2,004,212
1974	1,924,543	98,321	81,708	4,164	22,675	2,119,213
1973						
January	227,883	6,521	5,289	378	5,875	244,437
February	206,339	6,769	5,049	264	5,366	222,661
March	198,759	7,474	5,294	273	4,381	214,337
April	187,774	6,572	5,177	272	2,716	201,120
May	166,577	6,849	5,588	307	1,030	178,793
June	124,993	6,331	5,279	274	82	135,588
July	133,328	6,493	5,907	356	41	145,079
August	123,141	6,479	5,740	336	33	134,579
September	110,962	6,458	5,513	338	22	122,083
October	122,360	6,974	6,503	338	29	135,223
November	118,345	7,188	6,319	319	32	128,674
December	130,467	6,071	5,092	235	689	141,637
1974						
January	226,850	8,481	6,752	396	6,076	247,603
February	201,737	7,697	5,794	326	5,800	220,512
March	202,286	8,588	6,108	295	4,908	221,427
April	194,319	7,727	5,580	291	3,508	210,937
May	185,568	8,645	7,484	336	1,377	202,017
June	134,498	7,688	6,322	310	104	147,630
July	144,084	8,717	7,399	390	52	159,430
August	122,304	8,227	6,741	365	80	136,533
September	112,133	7,743	6,756	372	61	125,893
October	126,424	9,067	8,751	431	48	143,613
November	124,364	8,115	7,331	368	37	139,169
December	149,976	7,624	6,692	285	625	164,449

¹Annual figures are annual averages.²Persons who have applied for or are in receipt of unemployment insurance benefits at end of month.³Figures are adjusted for cancellation of warrants and collection of overpayments; prior to July 1971, total includes ordinary, seasonal and fishing benefits.