



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: March 9, 2019

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 739 initial claims were processed during the week ending 3/9/19, a decrease of 51 from the previous week, and an increase of 10 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is up 1.4 percent from last year and down 3.1 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 11,590 continued claims were processed during the week of 3/9/19, a decrease of 1,309 from the previous week and an increase of 13 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 3.3 percent from last year and down 7.0 percent from two years ago.

Workshare – gives employers an alternative to layoffs by allowing employees to work reduced hours and collect a percentage of regular UI benefits to compensate for lost pay. This week, 12 initial claims and 166 continued claims were processed. An estimated 3 layoffs were prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 132 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, no change from the previous week and a decrease of 16 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 936 initial claims and 6,760 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$515 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.1 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 9,445 TDI files claimed

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 936 TDI initial claims, 186 (19.9%) were TCI Claims. This week 431 TCI payments were issued totaling \$231,359. The average weekly TCI payment was \$537. Of the 9,445 TDI claims filed in 2019, 2,319 or 24.6% were TCI claims.

	Initial Claims			Continued Claims	TOTAL - Initial and Continued Claims			
	Total	New	Additional		Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago	Two Years Ago
Total - All programs*	772	478	294	12,168	12,940	14,378	13,137	14,356
UI Claims	739	455	284	11,590	12,329	13,689	12,306	13,516
Change from:								
Previous Week	-51	-75	24	-1,309	-1,360			
Year Ago	10	46	-36	13	23			
Two Years Ago	-207	-109	-98	-980	-1,187			
Interstate-Liable	21	11	10	412	433	418	436	452
Workshare	12	12	0	166	178	271	395	388
Workshare Equivalency	3	3	0	46	49	70	101	115
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	132	132	132	148	167
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	936	692	244	6,760	7,696	8,314	8,227	7,810
Change from:								
Previous Week	30	-15	45	-648	-618			
Year Ago	-54	-56	2	-477	-531			

* Includes UI, Workshare & Interstate Liable.

Equal Opportunity Employer / Program / Auxiliary aids and services available upon request to individuals with disabilities / TTY via RI Relay 711.