



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: December 23, 2017

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 2,229 initial claims were processed during the week ending 12/23/17, an increase of 684 from the previous week, and a decrease 151 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 7.7 percent from last year and down 13.2 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 8,234 continued claims were processed during the week of 12/23/17, an increase of 835 from the previous week and a decrease of 284 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 2.6 percent from last year and down 10.0 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, 2 initial claims and 223 continued claims were processed.

Exhaustions – 151 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week an increase of 5 from the previous week and an increase of 10 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 713 initial claims and 7,702 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$503 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.3 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 46,468 TDI initial claims filed.

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 713 TDI initial claims, 207 (29.0%) were TCI Claims. This week 332 TCI payments were issued totaling \$181,982. The average weekly TCI payment was \$548. Of the 46,468 TDI claims filed in 2017, 10,947 or 23.6% 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*	2,262	1,132	1,130	8,863	11,125	9,801	11,582	12,141
UI Claims	2,229	1,119	1,110	8,234	10,463	8,944	10,898	11,361
Change from:								
Previous Week	684	327	357	835	1,519			
Year Ago	-151	-75	-76	-284	-435			
Two Years Ago	-380	-174	-206	-518	-898			
Interstate-Liable	31	13	18	406	437	415	443	553
Workshare	2	0	2	223	225	442	241	227
Workshare Equivalency	0	0	0	57	57	113	47	59
UI Exhaustions	-	.	-	151	151	146	141	168
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	713	517	196	7,702	8,415	9,070	8,386	7,535
Change from:								
Previous Week	-444	-364	-80	-211	-655			
Year Ago	-88	-88	0	117	29			

* 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.