

Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: November 25, 2017

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 930 initial claims were processed during the week ending 11/25/17, a decrease of 39 from the previous week, and a decrease 240 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 8.3 percent from last year and down 13.7 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 6,220 continued claims were processed during the week of 11/25/17, a decrease of 46 from the previous week and a decrease of 750 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 2.2 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, 81 initial claims and 208 continued claims were processed. An estimated 16 layoffs were prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 145 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week a decrease of 13 from the previous week and an increase of 16 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 746 initial claims and 7,338 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 42,885 TDI initial claims filed.

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 746 TDI initial claims, 208 (27.9%) were TCI Claims. This week 497 TCI payments were issued totaling \$277,750. The average weekly TCI payment was \$559. Of the 42,885 TDI claims filed in 2017, 10,039 or 23.4% were TCI claims.

					TOTAL - Initial and Continued Claims			
12	Initial Claims			Continued	Current	Previous	Year	Two Years
2-	<u>Total</u>	New	<u>Additional</u>	<u>Claims</u>	Week	Week	Ago	Ago
Total - All programs*	1,038	577	461	6,800	7,838	7,986	8,798	8,989
UI Claims	930	486	444	6,220	7,150	7,235	8,140	8,144
Change from:								
Previous Week	-39	-98	59	-46	-85			
Year Ago	-240	-219	-21	-750	-990			
Two Years Ago	46	25	21	-1,040	-994			
Interstate-Liable	27	10	17	372	399	389	437	502
Workshare	81	81	0	208	289	362	221	343
Workshare Equivalency	16	16	0	59	75	90	46	95
UI Exhaustions	1	3.	=	145	145	158	129	152
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	746	557	189	7,338	8,084	7,347	8,532	6,967
Change from:								
Previous Week	-85	-75	-10	822	737			
Year Ago	141	103	38	-589	-448			

^{*} 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.

