

**Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training** 

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: November 11, 2017

## **Unemployment Insurance**

**Initial Claims** – 1,031 initial claims were processed during the week ending 11/11/17, an increase of 157 from the previous week, and an increase 40 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 8.3 percent from last year and down 14.4 percent from two years ago.

**Continued Claims** - 6,152 continued claims were processed during the week of 11/11/17, an increase of 123 from the previous week and a decrease of 151 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 2.0 percent from last year and down 9.9 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, 27 initial claims and 187 continued claims were processed. An estimated 8 layoffs were prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

**Exhaustions** – 151 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week an increase of 4 from the previous week and a decrease of 7 from a year ago.

## **Temporary Disability Insurance**

**Temporary Disability Insurance** – 901 initial claims and 7,347 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$499 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.3 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 41,308 TDI initial claims filed.

**Temporary Caregiver Insurance** – Of the 901 TDI initial claims, 226 (25.1%) were TCI Claims. This week 475 TCI payments were issued totaling \$272,483. The average weekly TCI payment was \$574. Of the 41,308 TDI claims filed in 2017, 9,661 or 23.4% were TCI claims.

					<b>TOTAL - Initial and Continued Claims</b>			
	Initial Claims			Continued	Current	Previous	Year	<b>Two Years</b>
_	<u>Total</u>	New	Additional	<u>Claims</u>	Week	Week	<u>Ago</u>	<u>Ago</u>
Total - All programs*	1,091	721	370	6,676	7,767	7,551	7,988	8,759
UI Claims	1,031	674	357	6,152	7,183	6,903	7,294	8,043
Change from:								
Previous Week	157	125	32	123	280			
Year Ago	40	19	21	-151	-111			
Two Years Ago	-31	-30	-1	-829	-860			
Interstate-Liable	33	20	13	337	370	378	419	500
Workshare	27	27	0	187	214	270	275	216
Workshare Equivalency	8	8	0	54	62	90	57	63
UI Exhaustions	-		-	151	151	147	158	133
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	901	687	214	7,347	8,248	7,893	6,759	7,066
Change from:								
Previous Week	-17	8	-25	372	355			
Year Ago	196	153	43	1,293	1,489			

\* 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.

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