

**Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training** 

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: November 4, 2017

## **Unemployment Insurance**

**Initial Claims** – 874 initial claims were processed during the week ending 11/4/17, an increase of 187 from the previous week, and a decrease 131 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 8.5 percent from last year and down 14.7 percent from two years ago.

**Continued Claims** – 6,029 continued claims were processed during the week of 11/4/17, a decrease of 29 from the previous week and a decrease of 260 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 2.0 percent from last year and down 9.8 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, 0 initial claims and 270 continued claims were processed.

**Exhaustions** – 147 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week an increase of 25 from the previous week and a decrease of 7 from a year ago.

## **Temporary Disability Insurance**

**Temporary Disability Insurance** – 918 initial claims and 6,975 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$500 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.3 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 40,407 TDI initial claims filed.

**Temporary Caregiver Insurance** – Of the 918 TDI initial claims, 229 (24.9%) were TCI Claims. This week 421 TCI payments were issued totaling \$234,855. The average weekly TCI payment was \$558. Of the 40,407 TDI claims filed in 2017, 9,435 or 23.3% 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*	910	580	330	6,641	7,551	7,268	8,162	8,380
UI Claims	874	549	325	6,029	6,903	6,745	7,294	7,732
Change from:								
Previous Week	187	122	65	-29	158			
Year Ago	-131	-81	-50	-260	-391			
Two Years Ago	-149	-104	-45	-680	-829			
Interstate-Liable	36	31	5	342	378	359	393	456
Workshare	0	0	0	270	270	164	475	192
Workshare Equivalency	0	0	0	90	90	40	101	55
UI Exhaustions	-	•	-	147	147	122	154	149
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	918	679	239	6,975	7,893	8,128	9,769	8,245
Change from:								
Previous Week	33	22	11	-268	-235			
Year Ago	-11	-18	7	-1,865	-1,876			

\* 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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