

Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: May 27, 2017

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 972 initial claims were processed during the week ending 5/27/17, an increase of 143 from the previous week, and an increase of 129 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 11.8 percent from last year and down 17.9 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 7,281 continued claims were processed during the week of 5/27/17, a decrease of 106 from the previous week and a decrease of 397 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 0.4 percent from last year and down 11.8 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, 2 initial claims and 283 continued claims were processed. An estimated 1 layoff was prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 168 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, a decrease 2 of from the previous week and an increase of 11 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 891 initial claims and 7,411 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$492 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.4 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 19,020 TDI initial claims filed.

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 891 TDI initial claims, 172 (19.3%) were TCI Claims. This week 364 TCI payments were issued totaling \$188,154. The average weekly TCI payment was \$517. Of the 19,020 TDI claims filed in 2017, 4,140 or 21.8% were TCI claims.

					TOTAL - Initial and Continued Claims			
_	Initial Claims			Continued	Current	Previous	Year	Two Years
	<u>Total</u>	New	Additional	<u>Claims</u>	Week	Week	<u>Ago</u>	<u>Ago</u>
Total - All programs*	1,002	638	364	7,878	8,880	9,116	9,292	9,931
UI Claims	972	620	352	7,281	8,253	8,216	8,521	8,878
Change from:								
Previous Week	143	136	7	-106	37			
Year Ago	129	77	52	-397	-268			
Two Years Ago	95	59	36	-720	-625			
Interstate-Liable	28	16	12	314	342	337	408	374
Workshare	2	2	0	283	285	563	363	679
Workshare Equivalency	1	1	0	64	65	134	113	151
UI Exhaustions	-		-	168	168	170	157	204
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	891	676	215	7,411	8,302	8,169	8,015	7,771
Change from:								
Previous Week	-115	-97	-18	248	133			
Year Ago	-13	-19	6	300	287			

^{*} 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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