

Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: May 13, 2017

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 699 initial claims were processed during the week ending 5/13/17, a decrease of 37 from the previous week, and a decrease of 130 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 13.0 percent from last year and down 19.2 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 7,722 continued claims were processed during the week of 5/13/17, a decrease of 408 from the previous week and a decrease of 507 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 0.1 percent from last year and down 11.9 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, 31 initial claims and 254 continued claims were processed. An estimated 8 layoffs were prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 176 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, an increase 16 of from the previous week and a decrease of 15 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 847 initial claims and 6,672 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$496 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.4 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 17,123 TDI initial claims filed.

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 847 TDI initial claims, 226 (26.7%) were TCI Claims. This week 421 TCI payments were issued totaling \$216,512. The average weekly TCI payment was \$514. Of the 17,123 TDI claims filed in 2017, 3,741 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*	749	493	256	8,293	9,042	9,620	10,026	10,182
UI Claims	699	456	243	7,722	8,421	8,866	9,058	9,314
Change from:								
Previous Week	-37	-65	28	-408	-445			
Year Ago	-130	-59	-71	-507	-637			
Two Years Ago	-264	-58	-206	-629	-893			
Interstate-Liable	19	6	13	317	336	353	476	419
Workshare	31	31	0	254	285	401	492	449
Workshare Equivalency	8	8	0	64	72	100	149	91
UI Exhaustions	-	•	-	176	176	160	191	232
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	847	663	184	6,672	7,519	8,013	7,804	7,671
Change from:								
Previous Week	-55	-51	-4	-439	-494			
Year Ago	-208	-148	-60	-77	-285			

^{*} 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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