

**Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training** 

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: December 10, 2016

## **Unemployment Insurance**

**Initial Claims** – 1,078 initial claims were processed during the week ending 12/10/16, a decrease of 146 from the previous week, and a decrease of 367 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 5.7 percent from last year and down 17.2 percent from two years ago.

**Continued Claims** – 7,800 continued claims were processed during the week of 12/10/16, an increase of 28 from the previous week and a decrease of 347 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 8.0 percent from last year and down 20.1 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, 5 initial claims and 121 continued claims were processed.

**Exhaustions** – 163 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, an increase of 20 from the previous week and a decrease of 12 from a year ago.

## **Temporary Disability Insurance**

**Temporary Disability Insurance** – 927 initial claims and 7,184 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$487 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.6 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 45,882 TDI initial claims filed.

**Temporary Caregiver Insurance** – Of the 927 TDI initial claims, 208 (22.4%) were TCI Claims. This week 416 TCI payments were issued totaling \$217,206. The average weekly TCI payment was \$522. Of the 45,882 TDI claims filed in 2016, 9,347 or 20.4% were TCI claims.

					<b>TOTAL - Initial and Continued Claims</b>			
	Initial Claims			Continued	Current	Previous	Year	Two Years
_	<u>Total</u>	New	Additional	<u>Claims</u>	Week	Week	<u>Ago</u>	Ago
Total - All programs*	1,109	671	438	8,338	9,447	9,591	10,326	11,887
UI Claims	1,078	654	424	7,800	8,878	8,996	9,592	11,143
Change from:								
Previous Week	-146	-73	-73	28	-118			
Year Ago	-367	-246	-121	-347	-714			
Two Years Ago	-556	-367	-189	-1,709	-2,265			
Interstate-Liable	26	15	11	417	443	471	544	567
Workshare	5	2	3	121	126	124	190	177
Workshare Equivalency	1	0	1	26	27	43	49	44
UI Exhaustions	-		-	163	163	143	175	215
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	927	703	224	7,184	8,111	8,136	9,207	7,601
Change from:								
Previous Week	-53	-20	-33	28	-25			
Year Ago	-153	-130	-23	-943	-1,096			

\* 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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