

Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: October 10, 2015

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 991 initial claims were processed during the week ending 10/10/15, an increase of 182 from the previous week, and a decrease of 13 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 10.7 percent from last year and down 17.7 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims -6,592 continued claims were processed during the week of 10/10/15, an increase of 31 from the previous week and a decrease of 1,399 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 12.9 percent from last year and down 18.5 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, 15 initial claims and 177 continued claims were processed. An estimated 3 layoffs were prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 160 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, an increase of 5 from the previous week and a decrease of 50 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 1,080 initial claims and 7,850 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$459 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.4 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 37,571 TDI initial claims filed.

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 1,080 TDI initial claims, 161 (14.9%) were TCI Claims. This week 433 TCI payments were issued totaling \$229,896. The average weekly TCI payment was \$531. Of the 37,571 TDI claims filed in 2015, 5,739 or 15.3% were TCI claims.

					TOTAL - Initial and Continued Claims			
_	Initial Claims			Continued	Current	Previous	Year	Two Years
-	<u>Total</u>	New	Additional	<u>Claims</u>	<u>Week</u>	<u>Week</u>	<u>Ago</u>	<u>Ago</u>
Total - All programs*	1,040	707	333	7,154	8,194	7,926	9,857	11,615
UI Claims	991	669	322	6,592	7,583	7,370	8,995	10,563
Change from:								
Previous Week	182	166	16	31	213			
Year Ago	-13	9	-22	-1,399	-1,412			
Two Years Ago	-489	-429	-60	-2,491	-2,980			
Interstate-Liable	34	26	8	385	419	408	493	609
Workshare	15	12	3	177	192	148	369	443
Workshare Equivalency	3	2	1	45	48	43	89	107
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	160	160	155	210	241
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	1,080	827	253	7,850	8,930	8,763	9,527	7,106
Change from:								
Previous Week	-34	-20	-14	201	167			
Year Ago	102	79	23	-699	-597			

* 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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