



## Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

# *Weekly Update of Claims Activity*

*Week Ending: April 25, 2015*

### *Unemployment Insurance*

**Initial Claims** – 3,081 initial claims were processed during the week ending 4/25/15, an increase of 2,101 from the previous week, and an increase of 811 from a year ago. Initial claims are up due to school vacation. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 9.3 percent from last year and down 16.1 percent from two years ago.

**Continued Claims** – 9,817 continued claims were processed during the week of 4/25/15, a decrease of 1,135 from the previous week and a decrease of 1,490 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 12.7 percent from last year and down 17.5 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, 23 initial claim and 176 continued claims were processed. An estimated 4 layoffs were prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

**Exhaustions** – 190 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, a decrease of 41 from the previous week and a decrease of 101 from a year ago.

### *Temporary Disability Insurance*

**Temporary Disability Insurance** – 726 initial claims and 6,442 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$454 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.8 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 14,866 TDI initial claims filed.

**Temporary Caregiver Insurance** – Of the 726 TDI initial claims, 144 (19.8%) were TCI Claims. This week 307 TCI payments were issued totaling \$154,257. The average weekly TCI payment was \$502. Of the 14,866 TDI claims filed in 2015, 1,903 or 12.8% were TCI claims.

	Initial Claims			Continued Claims	TOTAL - Initial and Continued Claims			
	Total	New	Additional		Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago	Two Years Ago
<b>Total - All programs*</b>	3,129	1,135	1,994	10,428	13,557	12,663	14,431	16,839
<b>UI Claims</b>	3,081	1,104	1,977	9,817	12,898	11,932	13,577	15,860
Change from:								
Previous Week	2,101	519	1,582	-1,135	966			
Year Ago	811	312	499	-1,490	-679			
Two Years Ago	1,342	276	1,066	-4,304	-2,962			
<b>Interstate-Liable</b>	25	9	16	435	460	503	548	541
<b>Workshare</b>	23	22	1	176	199	228	306	438
<b>Workshare Equivalency</b>	4	4	0	45	49	55	84	112
<b>UI Exhaustions</b>	-	-	-	190	190	231	291	356
<b>TDI Claims (Includes TCI)</b>	726	545	181	6,442	7,168	7,586	7,624	7,117
Change from:								
Previous Week	-151	-144	-7	-267	-418			
Year Ago	-82	-100	18	-374	-456			

\* Includes UI, EUC08, Workshare & Interstate Liable.

Equal Opportunity Employer / Program / Auxiliary aids and services available upon request to individuals with disabilities / TTY via RI Relay 711.