

Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: September 13, 2014

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 1,052 initial claims were processed during the week ending 9/13/14, an increase of 187 from the previous week, and a decrease of 59 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 7.0 percent from last year and down 11.7 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 8,327 continued claims were processed during the week of 9/13/14, a decrease of 692 from the previous week and a decrease of 1,453 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 6.0 percent from last year and down 16.2 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, 20 initial claims and 443 continued claims were processed. An estimated 5 layoffs were prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 227 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, an increase of 26 from the previous week and a decrease of 50 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 1,016 initial claims and 7,962 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$441 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.7 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 31,990 TDI initial claims filed.

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 1,016 TDI initial claims, 117 (11.5%) were TCI Claims. This week 402 TCI payments were issued totaling \$205,351. The average weekly TCI payment was \$511. Of the 31,990 TDI claims filed to date, 3,317 or 10.4% 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*	1,091	699	392	9,218	10,309	10,847	12,277	12,960
UI Claims	1,052	672	380	8,327	9,379	9,884	10,891	11,995
Change from:								
Previous Week	187	96	91	-692	-505			
Year Ago	-59	-21	-38	-1,453	-1,512			
Two Years Ago	-147	108	-255	-2,469	-2,616			
Interstate-Liable	19	11	8	458	477	483	636	465
Workshare	20	16	4	433	453	480	750	500
Workshare Equivalency	5	4	1	117	122	123	173	186
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	227	227	201	277	327
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	1,016	769	247	7,962	8,978	8,554	8,485	9,264
Change from:								
Previous Week	310	193	117	114	424			
Year Ago	54	-37	91	439	493			

^{*} 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.

