

Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: February 23, 2013

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 2,572 initial claims were processed during the week ending 2/23/13, an increase of 987 from the previous week, and a decrease of 348 from a year ago. Initial claims are up due to school vacation week. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 0.5 percent below last year and down 2.3 percent from two years ago

Continued Claims – 17,684 continued claims were processed during the week of 2/23/13, an increase of 72 from the previous week and a decrease of 1,691 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 9.4 percent from last year and down 17.0 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, 69 initial claims and 450 continued claims were processed. An estimated 17 layoffs were prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

Emergency Unemployment Compensation 08 – EUC08, which became effective July 6, 2008, provides up to 53 weeks of federally funded benefits to eligible individuals who exhausted their UI claims. This week there were 358 new EUC08 claims processed and 7,790 continued claims processed (2,812 under tier I, 2,572 under tier II, 1,232 under tier III and 1,174 under tier IV).

Exhaustions – 338 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, a decrease of 5 from a year ago. There were 96 individuals that exhausted EUC08.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 664 initial claims and 7,272 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$429 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.9 weeks per new claim.

					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>	$\underline{\mathbf{Ago}}$
Total - All programs*	3,215	1,839	1,376	26,492	29,707	28,627	36,743	39,852
UI Claims	2,572	1,425	1,147	17,684	20,256	19,197	22,295	23,963
Change from:								
Previous Week	987	514	473	72	1,059			
Year Ago	-348	468	-816	-1,691	-2,039			
Two Years Ago	-250	523	-773	-3,457	-3,707			
EUC08 Claims	544	358	186	7,790	8,334	8,298	12,109	14,240
Interstate-Liable	30	21	9	568	598	631	618	580
Workshare	69	35	34	450	519	501	1,721	1,069
Workshare Equivalency	17	10	7	115	132	116	460	248
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	338	338	343	444	498
EUC08 Exhaustions	-	-	-	96	96	133	193	148
TDI Claims	664	514	150	7,272	7,936	7,171	8,193	8,257
Change from:								
Previous Week	-131	-154	23	896	765			
Year Ago	-229	-204	-25	-28	-257			

^{*} Includes UI, EUC08, EB, Workshare & Interstae Liable.

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



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training February 23, 2013







