

Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: December 29, 2012

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 2,582 initial claims were processed during the week ending 12/29/12, an increase of 341 from the previous week, and a decrease of 1,138 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 5.4 percent from last year and down 9.3 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 13,610 continued claims were processed during the week of 12/29/12, an increase of 46 from the previous week and a decrease of 2,022 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 10.3 percent from last year and down 18.6 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, 9 initial claims and 611 continued claims were processed. An estimated 2 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 225 new EUC08 claims processed and 8,271 continued claims processed (3,299 under tier I, 2,362 under tier II, 1,248 under tier III and 1,362 under tier IV).

Exhaustions – 324 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, a decrease of 32 from a year ago. There were 135 individuals that exhausted EUC08.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 254 initial claims and 5,916 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$446 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.8 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*	3,011	1,563	1,448	23,016	26,027	26,109	33,975	36,988
UI Claims	2,582	1,321	1,261	13,610	16,192	15,805	19,352	21,139
Change from:								
Previous Week	341	17	324	46	387			
Year Ago	-1,138	-293	-845	-2,022	-3,160			
Two Years Ago	-813	-359	-454	-4,134	-4,947			
EUC08 Claims	390	225	165	8,271	8,661	9,316	12,747	14,026
Interstate-Liable	30	12	18	524	554	603	605	670
Workshare	9	5	4	611	620	385	1,271	1,153
Workshare Equivalency	2	1	1	150	152	94	322	276
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	324	324	356	391	529
EUC08 Exhaustions	-	-	-	135	135	122	233	324
TDI Claims	254	178	76	5,916	6,170	7,940	6,307	6,740
Change from:								
Previous Week	-349	-325	-24	-1,421	-1,770			
Year Ago	-148	-160	12	11	-137			

^{*} 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.



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