

Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: December 22, 2012

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 2,241 initial claims were processed during the week ending 12/22/12, an increase of 430 from the previous week, and a decrease of 598 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 4.3 percent from last year and down 8.7 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 13,564 continued claims were processed during the week of 12/22/12, an increase of 609 from the previous week and a decrease of 1,747 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 10.2 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, 39 initial claims and 346 continued claims were processed. An estimated 9 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 316 new EUC08 claims processed and 8,785 continued claims processed (3,589 under tier I, 2,461 under tier II, 1,309 under tier III and 1,426 under tier IV).

Exhaustions – 356 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, an increase of 13 from a year ago. There were 122 individuals that exhausted EUC08.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 603 initial claims and 7,337 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$434 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.7 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>	<u>Ago</u>
Total - All programs*	2,859	1,651	1,208	23,250	26,109	25,094	33,272	37,474
UI Claims	2,241	1,304	937	13,564	15,805	14,766	18,150	20,646
Change from:								
Previous Week	430	279	151	609	1,039			
Year Ago	-598	-83	-515	-1,747	-2,345			
Two Years Ago	-1,301	-428	-873	-3,540	-4,841			
EUC08 Claims	531	316	215	8,785	9,316	9,137	13,259	14,217
Interstate-Liable	48	24	24	555	603	585	605	693
Workshare	39	7	32	346	385	606	1,258	1,918
Workshare Equivalency	9	2	7	85	94	148	333	503
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	356	356	343	432	521
EUC08 Exhaustions	-	-	-	122	122	125	222	320
TDI Claims	603	503	100	7,337	7,940	8,837	8,065	8,800
Change from:								
Previous Week	-358	-266	-92	-539	-897			
Year Ago	52	54	-2	-177	-125			

^{*} 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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