

Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: January 14, 2012

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 3,044 initial claims were processed during the week ending 1/14/12, an increase of 40 from the previous week, and an increase of 690 from a year ago.

Continued Claims – 17,854 continued claims were processed during the week of 1/14/12, a decrease of 1,151 from the previous week and a decrease of 1,714 from a year 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, 54 initial claims and 1,001 continued claims were processed. An estimated 14 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 422 new EUC08 claims processed and 12,321 continued claims processed (5,059 under tier I, 3,103 under tier II, 2,862 under tier III and 1,297 under tier IV).

Extended Benefits – are payable to individuals who have exhausted UI or EUC08 claims. This week, 126 new EB claims and 1,809 continued EB claims were processed.

Exhaustions – 560 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, an increase of 115 from the previous week and a decrease of 22 from a year ago. There were 230 individuals that exhausted EUC08 and 92 individuals that exhausted EB.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 997 initial claims and 6,185 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$437 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.6 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*	3,910	2,702	1,208	33,534	37,444	38,279	40,533	49,384
UI Claims	3,044	2,111	933	17,854	20,898	22,009	21,922	24,997
Change from:								
Previous Week	40	309	-269	-1,151	-1,111			
Year Ago	690	546	144	-1,714	-1,024			
Two Years Ago	88	270	-182	-4,187	-4,099			
EUC08 Claims	649	422	227	12,321	12,970	12,975	13,577	19,788
Extended Benefits	135	126	9	1,809	1,944	1,970	3,678	1,560
Interstate-Liable	28	18	10	549	577	638	661	765
Workshare	54	25	29	1,001	1,055	687	695	2,274
Workshare Equivalency	14	5	9	367	381	302	293	854
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	560	560	445	582	622
EUC08 Exhaustions	-	-	-	230	230	238	303	4
EB Exhaustions	-	-	-	92	92	111	83	173
TDI Claims	997	839	158	6,185	7,182	6,888	6,918	9,063
Change from:								
Previous Week	288	255	33	6	294			
Year Ago	376	323	53	-112	264			

^{*} 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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