



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: March 19, 2011

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 1,391 initial claims were processed during the week ending 3/19/11, a decrease of 149 from the previous week, and a decrease of 134 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 4.2 percent below last year and down 31.9 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 20,300 continued claims were processed during the week of 3/19/11, a decrease of 605 from the previous week and a decrease of 2,263 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 7.1 percent from a year ago and down 25.5 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, 80 initial claims and 2,642 continued claims were processed. An estimated 23 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 502 new EUC08 claims processed and 13,989 continued claims processed (6,396 under tier I, 3,558 under tier II, 2,576 under tier III and 1,459 under tier IV).

Extended Benefits – are payable to individuals who have exhausted UI or EUC08 claims. This week, 124 new EB claims and 2,484 continued EB claims were processed.

Exhaustions – 577 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, an increase of 3 from the previous week and a decrease of 43 from a year ago. There were 304 individuals that exhausted EUC08 and 106 individuals that exhausted EB.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 861 initial claims and 8,106 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$438 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.8 weeks per new claim.

	<u>Initial Claims</u>			<u>Continued Claims</u>	<u>TOTAL - Initial and Continued Claims</u>			
	<u>Total</u>	<u>New</u>	<u>Additional</u>		<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Previous Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>	<u>Two Years Ago</u>
Total - All programs*	2,343	1,494	849	39,966	42,309	42,135	49,953	54,263
UI Claims	1,391	786	605	20,300	21,691	22,445	24,088	35,888
Change from:								
Previous Week	-149	-166	17	-605	-754			
Year Ago	-134	-115	-19	-2,263	-2,397			
Two Years Ago	-2,173	-1,445	-728	-12,024	-14,197			
EUC08 Claims	705	502	203	13,989	14,694	14,686	21,698	12,089
Extended Benefits	136	124	12	2,484	2,620	2,731	697	608
Interstate-Liable	31	17	14	551	582	587	690	1,090
Workshare	80	65	15	2,642	2,722	1,686	2,780	4,588
Workshare Equivalency	23	19	4	751	774	438	725	1,362
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	577	577	574	620	633
EUC08 Exhaustions	-	-	-	304	304	252	232	262
EB Exhaustions	-	-	-	106	106	164	131	43
TDI Claims	861	706	155	8,106	8,967	8,782	8,439	9,078
Change from:								
Previous Week	20	18	2	165	185			
Year Ago	124	96	28	404	528			

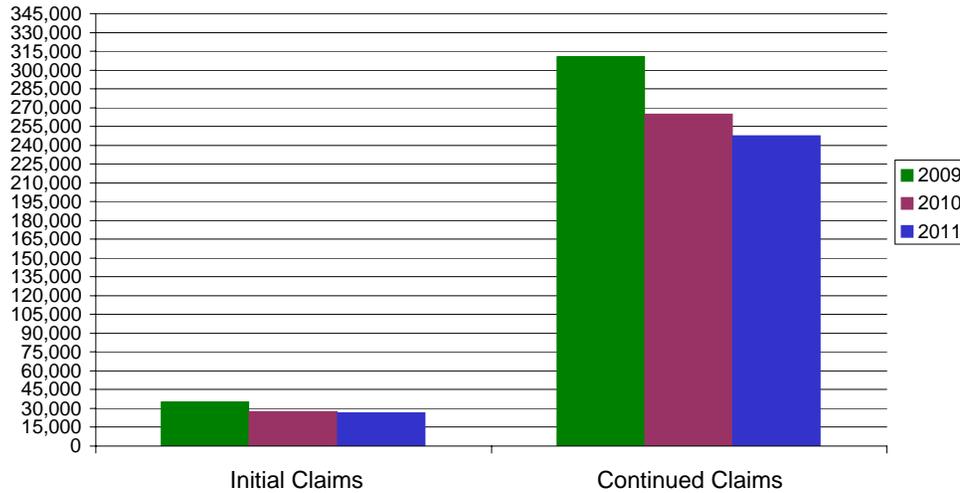
* Includes UI, EUC08, EB, Workshare & Interstate Liable.

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

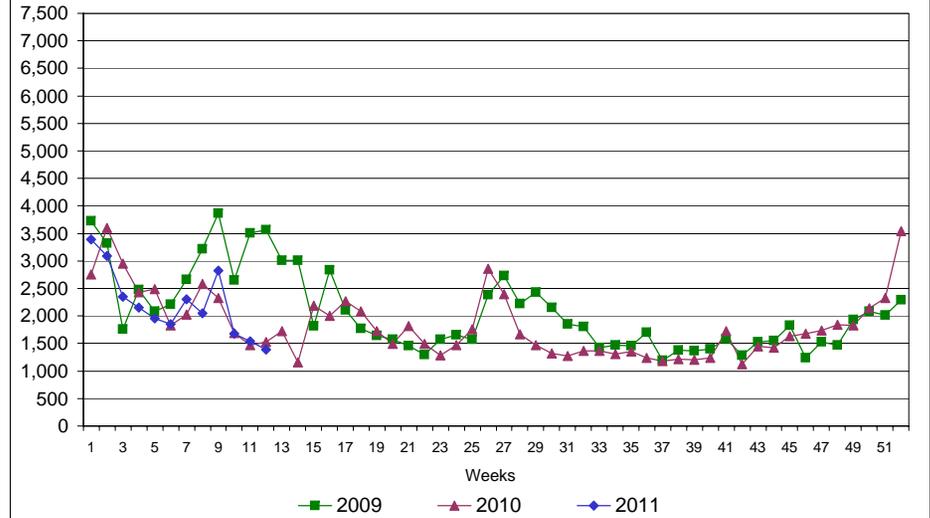
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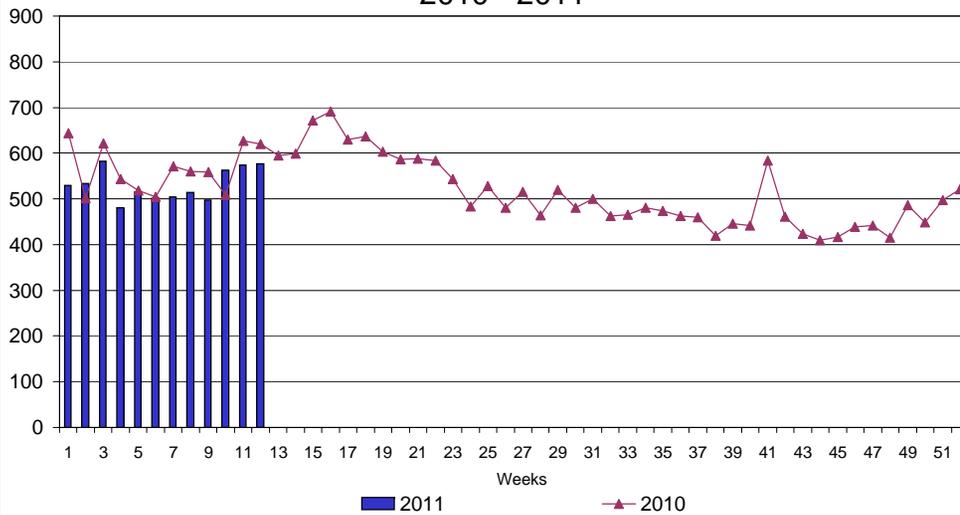
UI Claims Comparison Year to Date



UI Initial Claims 2009 - 2011



UI Exhaustions 2010 - 2011



TDI Claims Comparison Year to Date

