

Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Monthly Update

Month Ending: June 30, 2017

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 6,020 initial claims were processed during the month of June, an increase of 2,346 (63.9%) from the previous month, and a decrease of 312 (-4.9%) from a year ago. Of the 3,199 monetary determinations issued in June, 144 (4.5%) were monetarily ineligible.

Weeks Claimed – 30,617 weeks claimed were processed during the month of June, a decrease of 7,796 (-20.3%) from the previous month and a decrease of 2,872 (-8.6%) from a year ago. There were 27,983 payments made in June, which resulted in payments totaling \$9.7 million. There were 2,169 (7.8%) partial payments issued in June 2017 compared to 2,357 (7.7%) last year. The average weekly benefit payment was \$346. The number of weekly benefit payments is averaging 15.3 weeks per claim.

Workshare – 55 initial claims were processed for Workshare benefits this month, a decrease of 23 (-29.5%) from the previous month and a decrease of 69 (-55.6%) from June 2016. It is estimated that 17 layoffs were averted this month as a result of Rhode Island's Workshare program.

First and Final Claims – 1,912 first payments and 686 final payments were issued in June 2017. The current exhaustion duration ratio is 28.6 percent.

Non-monetary Determinations – 1,862 non-monetary determinations were issued during the month of June 2017. Of the 1,862 determinations, 1,069 (57.4%) were separation issues and 794 (42.6%) were non-separation issues. Denials were issued for 460 (43.0%) separation issues and 716 (90.2%) non-separation issues.

Appeals – 428 appeal decisions were processed with the Board of Review in June 2017. Of the 428 processed, 336 (78.5%) were filed by UI applicants and 92 (21.5%) were filed by employers. The Board upheld the director's decision in nearly two-thirds of the cases.

	Percent Change From						
	Current	Previous	Year	Previous	Year		Year to Date
	Month	Month	Ago	Month	Ago	2017	2016
Initial Claims	6,020	3,674	6,332	63.9%	-4.9%	31,801	35,622
Monetary Determinations	3,199	2,501	3,558	27.9%	-10.1%	20,317	22,381
Monetary Ineligible	144	181	253	-20.4%	-43.1%	1,154	1,619
Weeks Claimed	30,617	38,413	33,489	-20.3%	-8.6%	277,011	284,178
Number of Payments	27,983	35,244	30,703	-20.6%	-8.9%	254,379	260,953
Amount of Payments	\$9,686,092	\$12,319,277	\$10,090,529	-21.4%	-4.0%	\$89,160,421	\$88,404,132
Average Payment	\$346	\$350	\$329	-1.0%	5.3%	\$351	\$339
Partial Payments	2,169	2,494	2,357	-13.0%	-8.0%	16,121	16,431
Average Duration (12 Months)	15.3	15.3	15.0	0.1%	2.1%	15.3	15.0
Exhaustion Ratio (12 Months)	28.6	28.5	29.0	0.2%	-1.5%	28.6	29.0
First Payments	1,912	1,781	2,059	7.4%	-7.1%	16,696	17,859
Final Payments	686	866	700	-20.8%	-2.0%	4,498	4,681
Workshare Initial Claims	55	78	124	-29.5%	-55.6%	611	519
Workshare Equivalency	17	19	32	-10.5%	-46.9%	158	128
Workshare Continued Claims	1,306	1,977	1,949	-33.9%	-33.0%	6,814	8,715

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