

Monthly Update

Month Ending: June 30, 2016

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 6,332 initial claims were processed during the month of June, an increase of 2,742 (76.4%) from the previous month, and an increase of 398 (6.7%) from a year ago. Of the 3,558 monetary determinations issued in June, 253 (7.1%) were monetarily ineligible.

Weeks Claimed – 33,489 weeks claimed were processed during the month of June, a decrease of 7,204 (-17.7%) from the previous month and a decrease of 7,558 (-18.4%) from a year ago. There were 30,703 payments made in June, which resulted in payments totaling \$10.1 million. There were 2,357 (7.7%) partial payments issued in June 2016 compared to 2,844 (7.7%) last year. The average weekly benefit payment was \$329. The number of weekly benefit payments is averaging 15.0 weeks per claim.

Workshare – 124 initial claims were processed for Workshare benefits this month, an increase of 2 (1.6%) from the previous month and a decrease of 9 (-6.8%) from June 2015. It is estimated that 32 layoffs were averted this month as a result of Rhode Island's Workshare program.

First and Final Claims – 2,059 first payments and 700 final payments were issued in June 2016. The current exhaustion duration ratio is 29.0 percent.

Non-monetary Determinations – 2,032 non-monetary determinations were issued during the month of June 2016. Of the 2,032 determinations, 1,254 (61.7%) were separation issues and 778 (38.3%) were non-separation issues. Denials were issued for 545 (43.5%) separation issues and 661 (85.0%) non-separation issues.

Appeals – 463 appeal decisions were processed with the Board of Review in June 2016. Of the 463 processed, 379 (81.9%) were filed by UI applicants and 84 (18.1%) were filed by employers. The Board upheld the director's decision in nearly two-thirds of the cases.

	Current Month	Previous Month	Year Ago	Percent Change From		Year to Date	
				Previous Month	Year Ago	2016	2015
Initial Claims	6,332	3,590	5,934	76.4%	6.7%	35,622	37,371
Monetary Determinations	3,558	2,618	3,166	35.9%	12.4%	22,381	22,562
Monetary Ineligible	253	341	214	-25.8%	18.2%	1,619	1,709
Weeks Claimed	33,489	40,693	41,047	-17.7%	-18.4%	284,178	314,587
Number of Payments	30,703	38,754	36,730	-20.8%	-16.4%	260,953	284,524
Amount of Payments	\$10,090,529	\$13,773,179	\$11,930,962	-26.7%	-15.4%	\$88,404,132	\$93,689,677
Average Payment	\$329	\$355	\$325	-7.5%	1.2%	\$339	\$329
Partial Payments	2,357	2,517	2,844	-6.4%	-17.1%	16,431	19,251
Average Duration (12 Months)	15.0	15.1	15.5	-0.6%	-3.1%	15.0	15.5
Exhaustion Ratio (12 Months)	29.0	29.0	32.9	-0.1%	-12.0%	29.0	32.9
First Payments	2,059	2,508	2,243	-17.9%	-8.2%	17,859	18,600
Final Payments	700	872	990	-19.7%	-29.3%	4,681	5,624
Workshare Initial Claims	124	122	133	1.6%	-6.8%	519	582
Workshare Equivalency	32	24	39	33.3%	-17.9%	128	152
Workshare Continued Claims	1,949	2,351	1,566	-17.1%	24.5%	8,715	6,633

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