



Monthly Update

Month Ending: April 30, 2013

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 7,210 initial claims were processed during the month of April, an increase of 655 (10.0%) from the previous month, and a decrease of 512 (-6.6%) from a year ago. Of the 7,210 initial claims processed this month, 287 (4.0%) were filed by customers who were not citizens of the U.S. Of the 3,549 monetary determinations issued in April, 475 (13.4%) were monetarily ineligible.

Weeks Claimed – 68,585 weeks claimed were processed during the month of April, a decrease of 2,934 (-4.1%) from the previous month and a decrease of 5,445 (-7.4%) from a year ago. There were 62,294 payments made in April, which resulted in payments totaling \$21.2 million. There were 5,715 (9.2%) partial payments issued in April 2013 compared to 7,656 (11.4%) last year. The average weekly benefit payment was \$340. The number of weekly benefit payments is averaging 16.7 weeks per claim.

Workshare – 88 initial claims were processed for Workshare benefits this month, a decrease of 115 (-56.7%) from the previous month and a decrease of 77 (-46.7%) from April 2012. It is estimated that 21 layoffs were averted this month as a result of Rhode Island's Workshare program.

First and Final Claims – 2,672 first payments and 1,831 final payments were issued in April 2013. The current exhaustion duration ratio is 45.3 percent.

Non-monetary Determinations – 1,827 non-monetary determinations were issued during the month of April 2013. Of the 1,827 determinations, 1,274 (69.7%) were separation issues and 553 (30.3%) were non-separation issues. Denials were issued for 575 (45.1%) separation issues and 515 (93.1%) non-separation issues.

Appeals – 417 appeal decisions were processed with the Board of Review in April 2013. Of the 417 processed, 328 (78.7%) were filed by UI applicants and 89 (21.3%) were filed by employers. The Board upheld the director's decision in nearly two-thirds of the cases.

Emergency Unemployment Compensation 08

Initial Claims – EUC08, which became effective July 6, 2008, provides up to 47 weeks of federally funded benefits to eligible individuals who exhausted their UI claims. There were 1,843 initial claims processed during the month of April, a decrease of 332 (-15.3%) from the previous month, and a decrease of 655 (-26.2%) from a year ago. Of the 7,457 monetary determinations issued 6 (0.1%) were monetarily ineligible. The increase in monetary determinations is due to the recalculation of benefit rates for all EUC claimants required by sequestration.

Number of Payments -- There were 36,330 (12,821 under tier 1, 10,978 under tier 2, 6,971 under tier 3 and 5,560 under tier 4) payments issued in April, which resulted in payments totaling \$13.1 million. The average weekly benefit payment was \$359.

First and Final Claims – 2,904 first payments (1,028 under tier 1, 702 under tier 2, 693 under tier 3 and 481 under tier 4) and 3,068 final payments (828 under tier 1, 995 under tier 2, 661 under tier 3 and 584 under tier 4) were issued in April 2013. To date 94,458 individuals have collected EUC08 benefits.

Claims Summary

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	Current Month	Previous Month	Year Ago	Percent Change From		Year to Date	
				Previous Month	Year Ago	2013	2012
Initial Claims	7,210	6,555	7,722	10.0%	-6.6%	33,156	33,592
Monetary Determinations	3,549	4,120	3,447	-13.9%	3.0%	20,593	20,691
Monetary Ineligible	475	603	301	-21.2%	57.8%	2,468	1,990
Weeks Claimed	68,585	71,519	74,030	-4.1%	-7.4%	286,637	326,811
Number of Payments	62,294	66,476	67,014	-6.3%	-7.0%	261,856	297,158
Amount of Payments	\$21,210,724	\$23,024,589	\$24,775,546	-7.9%	-14.4%	\$90,336,233	\$110,767,182
Average Payment	\$340	\$346	\$370	-1.7%	-7.9%	\$345	\$373
Partial Payments	5,715	5,639	7,656	1.3%	-25.4%	22,684	30,180
Average Duration (12 Months)	16.7	16.7	17.0	0.0%	-1.8%	16.7	17.0
Exhaustion Ratio (12 Months)	45.3	46.5	52.4	-2.5%	-13.5%	45.3	52.4
First Payments	2,672	3,280	3,019	-18.5%	-11.5%	15,991	17,992
Final Payments	1,831	1,602	2,538	14.3%	-27.9%	6,382	8,957
Workshare Initial Claim:	88	203	165	-56.7%	-46.7%	731	1,125
Workshare Equivalency	21	62	47	-66.1%	-55.3%	192	295
Workshare Continued Claim:	2,084	2,325	4,814	-10.4%	-56.7%	7,892	18,492

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	Current Month	Previous Month	Year Ago	Percent Change From		Year to Date 2013	Since Program Began
				Previous Month	Year Ago		
Initial Claims	1,843	2,175	2,498	-15.3%	-26.2%	8,011	167,964
Monetary Determinations	7,457	1,032	1,381	622.6%	440.0%	10,465	102,226
Monetary Ineligible	6	15	62	-60.0%	-90.3%	58	2,531
Number of Payments	36,330	31,715	54,095	14.6%	-32.8%	130,965	2,979,881
Amount of Payments	\$13,050,758	\$11,771,074	\$19,814,057	10.9%	-34.1%	\$48,732,030	\$1,091,991,174
Average Payment	\$359	\$371	\$366	-3.2%	-1.9%	\$372	\$366
Average Duration (12 months)	36.9	36.9	40.6	0.0%	-9.1%	36.9	31.5
First Payments (tier 1)	1,028	1,040	1,492	-1.2%	-31.1%	3,898	94,458
Final Payments (tier 1)	828	834	1,217	-0.7%	-32.0%	3,388	72,714
First Payments (tier 2)	702	638	865	10.0%	-18.8%	2,828	61,662
Final Payments (tier 2)	995	829	1,165	20.0%	-14.6%	3,090	62,184
First Payments (tier 3)	693	569	743	21.8%	-6.7%	2,259	42,431
Final Payments (tier 3)	661	606	1,059	9.1%	-37.6%	2,564	44,556
First Payments (tier 4)	481	461	757	4.3%	-36.5%	1,806	34,760
Final Payments (tier 4)	584	529	1,024	10.4%	-43.0%	2,375	37,744