



Monthly Update

Month Ending: November 30, 2010

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 7,893 initial claims were processed during the month of November, an increase of 1,740 (28.3%) from the previous month, and an increase of 629 (8.7%) from a year ago. Of the 7,893 initial claims processed this month, 224 (2.8%) were filed by customers who were not citizens of the U.S. Of the 4,711 monetary determinations issued in November, 593 (12.6%) were monetarily ineligible.

Weeks Claimed – 68,360 weeks claimed were processed during the month of November, an increase of 16,192 (31.0%) from the previous month and a decrease of 9,767 (-12.5%) from a year ago. There were 62,122 payments made in November, which resulted in payments totaling \$22.5 million. There were 7,642 (12.3%) partial payments issued in November 2010 compared to 8,334 (11.7%) last year. The average weekly benefit payment was \$362. The number of weekly benefit payments is averaging 18.0 weeks per claim.

Workshare – 856 initial claims were processed for Workshare benefits this month, an increase of 245 (40.1%) from the previous month and a decrease of 836 (-49.4%) from November 2009. It is estimated that 212 layoffs were averted this month as a result of Rhode Island's Workshare program.

First and Final Claims – 3,468 first payments and 2,223 final payments were issued in November 2010. The current exhaustion duration ratio is 57.3 percent.

Non-monetary Determinations – 1,587 non-monetary determinations were issued during the month of November 2010. Of the 1,587 determinations, 1,149 (72.4%) were separation issues and 438 (27.6%) were non-separation issues. Denials were issued for 608 (52.9%) separation issues and 388 (88.6%) non-separation issues.

Appeals – 385 appeal decisions were processed with the Board of Review in November 2010. Of the 385 processed, 337 (87.5%) were filed by UI applicants and 48 (12.5%) 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 53 weeks of federally funded benefits to eligible individuals who exhausted their UI claims. There were 3,722 initial claims processed during the month of November, an increase of 594 (19.0%) from the previous month, and a decrease of 1,486 (-28.5%) from a year ago. Of the 2,007 monetary determinations issued 37 (1.8%) were monetarily ineligible.

Number of Payments -- There were 67,714 (30,936 under tier 1, 16,083 under tier 2, 13,576 under tier 3 and 7,119 under tier 4) payments issued in November, which resulted in payments totaling \$24.8 million. The average weekly benefit payment was \$366.

First and Final Claims – 6,535 first payments (2,256 under tier 1, 1,068 under tier 2, 1,556 under tier 3 and 1,655 under tier 4) and 4,287 final payments (821 under tier 1, 1,347 under tier 2, 1,364 under tier 3 and 755 under tier 4) were issued in November 2010. To date 57,677 individuals have collected EUC08 benefits.

Extended Benefits

Initial Claims – EB is available to individuals who have exhausted EUC08 claims. There were 613 initial claims processed during the month of November, an increase of 17 (2.9%) from the previous month. Of the 397 monetary determinations issued 2 (0.5%) of them were monetarily ineligible.

Number of Payments -- There were 19,203 payments issued in November, which resulted in payments totaling \$7.2 million. The average weekly benefit payment was \$376.

First and Final Claims – 211 first payments were issued and 3,287 final payments was issued in November 2010. To date 22,499 first payments and 15,075 final payments have been made.

Claims Summary

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Unemployment Insurance

	Current Month	Previous Month	Year Ago	Percent Change From		Year to Date	
				Previous Month	Year Ago	2010	2009
Initial Claims	7,893	6,153	7,264	28.3%	8.7%	87,444	105,342
Monetary Determinations	4,711	3,569	4,039	32.0%	16.6%	55,671	63,144
Monetary Ineligible	593	469	432	26.4%	37.3%	5,957	4,481
Weeks Claimed	68,360	52,168	78,127	31.0%	-12.5%	877,048	1,112,233
Number of Payments	62,122	48,872	71,447	27.1%	-13.1%	800,212	1,036,938
Amount of Payments	\$22,518,909	\$17,784,801	\$26,737,939	26.6%	-15.8%	\$292,045,737	\$384,164,956
Average Payment	\$362	\$364	\$374	-0.4%	-3.1%	\$365	\$370
Partial Payments	7,642	6,026	8,334	26.8%	-8.3%	87,482	91,239
Average Duration (12 Months)	18.0	18.4	19.8	-1.9%	-8.8%	18.0	19.8
Exhaustion Ratio (12 Months)	57.3	58.5	62.3	-2.1%	-8.0%	57.3	62.3
First Payments	3,468	2,528	3,026	37.2%	14.6%	44,196	51,366
Final Payments	2,223	1,945	2,939	14.3%	-24.4%	25,772	32,186
Workshare Initial Claim:	856	611	1,692	40.1%	-49.4%	11,372	25,384
Workshare Equivalency	212	129	366	64.3%	-42.1%	2,765	6,159

Emergency Unemployment Compensation 08

	Current Month	Previous Month	Year Ago	Percent Change From		Year to Date 2010	Since Program Began
				Previous Month	Year Ago		
Initial Claims	3,722	3,128	5,208	19.0%	-28.5%	33,481	95,729
Monetary Determinations	2,007	1,799	1,888	11.6%	6.3%	16,559	57,803
Monetary Ineligible	37	37	24	0.0%	54.2%	373	1,174
Number of Payments	67,714	46,881	78,042	44.4%	-13.2%	737,664	1,553,201
Amount of Payments	\$24,752,272	\$17,082,786	\$28,765,875	44.9%	-14.0%	\$272,127,553	\$565,143,231
Average Payment	\$366	\$364	\$369	0.3%	-0.8%	\$369	\$364
Average Duration (12 months)	44.8	45.9	23.3	-2.5%	92.1%	44.8	26.9
First Payments (tier 1)	2,256	1,736	2,028	30.0%	11.2%	16,400	57,677
Final Payments (tier 1)	821	800	2,284	2.6%	-64.1%	15,262	37,965
First Payments (tier 2)	1,068	1,026	2,120	4.1%	-49.6%	13,415	34,331
Final Payments (tier 2)	1,347	749	1,400	79.8%	-3.8%	17,525	31,907
First Payments (tier 3)	1,556	721	3,821	115.8%	-59.3%	14,288	20,613
Final Payments (tier 3)	1,364	690	-	97.7%	-	17,624	17,713
First Payments (tier 4)	1,655	624	-	165.2%	-	14,687	14,694
Final Payments (tier 4)	755	788	-	-4.2%	-	13,331	13,332

Extended Benefits

	Current Month	Previous Month	Year Ago	Percent Change From		Year to Date 2010	Since Program Began
				Previous Month	Year Ago		
Initial Claims	613	596	608	2.9%	0.8%	14,990	26,000
Monetary Determinations	397	401	345	-1.0%	15.1%	13,342	23,397
Monetary Ineligible	2	0	0	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	124	451
Number of Payments	19,203	26,485	14,380	-27.5%	33.5%	192,339	322,795
Amount of Payments	\$7,214,651	\$10,039,721	\$5,024,378	-28.1%	43.6%	\$71,175,680	\$116,972,117
Average Payment	\$376	\$379	\$349	-0.9%	7.5%	\$370	\$362
Average Duration (12months)	15.8	15.0	15.7	5.2%	0.5%	15.8	14.3
First Payments	211	557	565	-62.1%	-62.7%	12,760	22,499
Final Payments	3,278	1,996	759	64.2%	331.9%	9,583	15,075