



Monthly Update

Month Ending: July 31, 2010

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 6,935 initial claims were processed during the month of July, a decrease of 2,136 (-23.5%) from the previous month, and a decrease of 3,999 (-36.6%) from a year ago. Of the 6,935 initial claims processed this month, 245 (3.5%) were filed by customers who were not citizens of the U.S. Of the 4,722 monetary determinations issued in July, 496 (10.5%) were monetarily ineligible.

Weeks Claimed – 75,527 weeks claimed were processed during the month of July, an increase of 6,584 (9.5%) from the previous month and a decrease of 22,516 (-23.0%) from a year ago. There were 67,526 payments made in July, which resulted in payments totaling \$23.6 million. There were 7,046 (10.4%) partial payments issued in July 2010 compared to 8,456 (9.2%) last year. The average weekly benefit payment was \$349. The number of weekly benefit payments is averaging 19.1 weeks per claim.

Workshare – 1,225 initial claims were processed for Workshare benefits this month, an increase of 422 (52.6%) from the previous month and a decrease of 1,625 (-57.0%) from July 2009. It is estimated that 312 layoffs were averted this month as a result of Rhode Island's Workshare program.

First and Final Claims – 4,849 first payments and 2,070 final payments were issued in July 2010. The current exhaustion duration ratio is 56.9 percent.

Non-monetary Determinations – 2,769 non-monetary determinations were issued during the month of July 2010. Of the 2,769 determinations, 1,232 (44.5%) were separation issues and 1,537 (55.5%) were non-separation issues. Denials were issued for 590 (47.9%) separation issues and 819 (53.3%) non-separation issues.

Appeals – 496 appeal decisions were processed with the Board of Review in July 2010. Of the 496 processed, 416 (83.9%) were filed by UI applicants and 80 (16.1%) 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 1,509 initial claims processed during the month of July, an increase of 490 (48.1%) from the previous month, and a decrease of 2,575 (-63.1%) from a year ago. Of the 573 monetary determinations issued 17 (3.0%) were monetarily ineligible.

Number of Payments -- There were 39,661 (16,699 under tier 1, 10,140 under tier 2, 9,663 under tier 3 and 3,159 under tier 4) payments issued in July, which resulted in payments totaling \$14.7 million. The average weekly benefit payment was \$370.

First and Final Claims – 1,157 first payments (257 under tier 1, 233 under tier 2, 245 under tier 3 and 422 under tier 4) and 4,913 final payments (1,294 under tier 1, 1,248 under tier 2, 1,338 under tier 3 and 1,033 under tier 4) were issued in July 2010. To date 50,245 individuals have collected EUC08 benefits.

Extended Benefits

Initial Claims – EB is available to individuals who have exhausted EUC08 claims. There were 3,971 initial claims processed during the month of July, a decrease of 1,544 (-28.0%) from the previous month. Of the 3,713 monetary determinations issued 47 (1.3%) of them were monetarily ineligible.

Number of Payments -- There were 32,747 payments issued in July, which resulted in payments totaling \$12.2 million. The average weekly benefit payment was \$372.

First and Final Claims – 4,600 first payments were issued and 192 final payments were issued in July 2010. To date 20,746 first payments and 7,742 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	6,935	9,071	10,934	-23.5%	-36.6%	61,580	77,166
Monetary Determinations	4,722	5,316	6,168	-11.2%	-23.4%	39,804	47,838
Monetary Ineligible	496	424	303	17.0%	63.7%	3,843	3,032
Weeks Claimed	75,527	68,943	98,043	9.5%	-23.0%	613,135	782,968
Number of Payments	67,526	71,465	92,350	-5.5%	-26.9%	557,281	733,029
Amount of Payments	\$23,556,985	\$25,701,360	\$33,574,961	-8.3%	-29.8%	\$205,283,364	\$271,618,509
Average Payment	\$349	\$360	\$364	-3.0%	-4.0%	\$368	\$371
Partial Payments	7,046	8,482	8,456	-16.9%	-16.7%	59,160	58,948
Average Duration (12 Months)	19.1	19.8	18.5	-3.7%	3.1%	19.1	18.5
Exhaustion Ratio (12 Months)	56.9	58.8	63.5	-3.2%	-10.4%	56.9	63.5
First Payments	4,849	3,306	4,291	46.7%	13.0%	32,433	38,993
Final Payments	2,070	2,570	3,162	-19.5%	-34.5%	17,402	20,499
Workshare Initial Claim:	1,225	803	2,850	52.6%	-57.0%	8,364	17,589
Workshare Equivalency	312	208	650	50.0%	-52.0%	2,017	4,417

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	1,509	1,019	4,084	48.1%	-63.1%	20,363	82,611
Monetary Determinations	573	201	2,711	185.1%	-78.9%	9,240	50,484
Monetary Ineligible	17	20	37	-15.0%	-54.1%	231	1,032
Number of Payments	39,661	78,181	47,087	-49.3%	-15.8%	529,014	1,344,551
Amount of Payments	\$14,668,679	\$28,996,375	\$17,094,345	-49.4%	-14.2%	\$195,402,328	\$488,418,006
Average Payment	\$370	\$371	\$363	-0.3%	1.9%	\$369	\$363
Average Duration (12 months)	41.9	38.2	19.6	9.8%	113.9%	41.9	26.8
First Payments (tier 1)	257	583	2,447	-55.9%	-89.5%	8,968	50,245
Final Payments (tier 1)	1,294	1,671	1,489	-22.6%	-13.1%	11,026	33,729
First Payments (tier 2)	233	774	1,217	-69.9%	-80.9%	8,617	29,533
Final Payments (tier 2)	1,248	1,862	1,062	-33.0%	17.5%	13,349	27,731
First Payments (tier 3)	245	881	-	-72.2%	-	9,760	16,085
Final Payments (tier 3)	1,338	2,191	-	-38.9%	-	13,833	13,922
First Payments (tier 4)	422	1,287	-	-67.2%	-	10,286	10,293
Final Payments (tier 4)	1,033	1,759	-	-41.3%	-	9,939	9,940

Extended Benefits

	Current Month	Previous Month	Year Ago	Percent Change From		Year to Date 2010	Since Program Began
				Previous Month	Year Ago		
Initial Claims	3,971	5,515	843	-28.0%	371.1%	12,426	23,436
Monetary Determinations	3,713	5,315	808	-30.1%	359.5%	11,594	21,649
Monetary Ineligible	47	68	0	-30.9%	-	121	448
Number of Payments	32,747	16,819	13,811	94.7%	137.1%	70,886	201,342
Amount of Payments	\$12,177,526	\$6,156,441	\$4,929,833	97.8%	147.0%	\$25,743,616	\$71,540,053
Average Payment	\$372	\$366	\$357	1.6%	4.2%	\$363	\$355
Average Duration (12months)	9.5	11.2	10.1%	-15.0%	-	9.5	9.7
First Payments	4,600	4,303	746	6.9%	516.6%	11,007	20,746
Final Payments	192	178	856	7.9%	-77.6%	2,250	7,742