

## **EMPLOYMENT BULLETIN**

## **JUNE 2024**

# 4.3% UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

RI's seasonally adjusted unemployment for May



#### **Additional Labor Force Statistics**

	Rh	node Islan	Net Change		
	May 2024	Apr 2024	May 2023	Apr 2024	May 2023
Civilian Labor Force	588.6	586.2	572.8	2.4	15.8
Resident Employment	563.5	561.9	557.9	1.6	5.6
Unemployment	25.1	24.3	14.9	0.8	10.2
Unemployment Rate	4.3%	4.1%	2.6%	0.2	1.7

## Jobs Decrease by 1,100 in May

The May jobs report revealed that Rhode Island's Total Nonfarm employment level of 512,600 was down 1,100 from the revised April employment level of 513,700. The job count is up 8,300 from a year ago.

Job losses were in the Government (-900), Professional & Business Services (-600) and Accommodation & Food Services (-300) sectors. Job gains were in the Educational Services (+500), Other Services (+200) and Transportation & Utilities (+200) sectors.

#### **Establishment Employment**

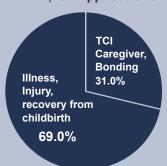
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			Net Change		
Seasonally Adjusted (in thousands)	May 2024	Apr 2024	Apr 2024	May 2023	
Total Nonfarm	512.6	513.7	-1.1	8.3	
Total Private	447.7	447.9	-0.2	7.8	
Natural Resources & Mining	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	
Construction	21.4	21.4	0.0	-0.1	
Manufacturing	41.1	41.0	0.1	0.7	
Wholesale Trade	16.4	16.5	-0.1	0.1	
Retail Trade	47.2	47.3	-0.1	-0.3	
Transportation & Utilities	14.1	13.9	0.2	0.4	
Information	5.6	5.5	0.1	-0.5	
Financial Activities	34.9	35.0	-0.1	-0.4	
Professional & Business Services	71.7	72.3	-0.6	2.1	
Private Educational Services	27.4	26.9	0.5	0.0	
Health Care & Social Assistance	85.9	85.9	0.0	4.8	
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	8.6	8.7	-0.1	0.7	
Accommodation & Food Services	51.4	51.7	-0.3	0.5	
Other Services	21.8	21.6	0.2	-0.2	
Government	64.9	65.8	-0.9	0.5	

#### City & Town Unadjusted Unemployment Rates for May

	2024	2023		2024	2023		2024	2023
Barrington	3.2	1.8	Hopkinton		1.9	Portsmouth	3.4	2.0
Bristol	3.5	2.2	Jamestown	2.8	1.8	Providence	5.7	3.4
Burrillville	3.9	2.3	Johnston	4.3	2.7	Richmond	2.6	1.5
Central Falls	5.3	2.9	Lincoln	3.7	2.2	Scituate	3.6	2.0
Charlestown	4.3	2.5	Little Compton	3.5	1.9	Smithfield	3.7	2.0
Coventry	3.6	2.2	Middletown	3.6	1.9	South Kingstown	3.4	2.0
Cranston	4.4	2.5	Narragansett	3.0	1.8	Tiverton	4.2	2.3
Cumberland	3.7	2.0	New Shoreham	8.8	6.6	Warren	4.3	2.2
East Greenwich	4.3	2.1	Newport	3.5	1.9	Warwick	3.8	2.1
East Providence	4.4	2.4	North Kingstown	3.5	1.9	West Greenwich	3.4	2.1
Exeter	3.0	1.8	North Providence	4.6	2.6	West Warwick	4.5	2.5
Foster	3.5	2.2	North Smithfield	3.8	2.1	Westerly	4.2	2.4
Glocester	3.1		Pawtucket	5.5	3.0	Woonsocket	5.7	3.5

## Temporary Disability Program (TDI)\*

4,234 Applications - May 2024



# Temporary Caregiver Insurance (TCI)\*

(TCI) Claims	1,312
Approved	821
Pending	491
Bond w/ child	647
Care of Family member	174
Average TCI Payment	\$720
*Count of claims processed	

## **JUNE 2024**

#### **Consumer Price Index**

	May 24	Apr 24	May 23	% Change Previous Year
All Items	314.1	313.5	304.1	3.3%

All Urban Consumers - Source: U.S. Dept of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

#### **Unemployment Insurance Claims Activity**

				% Change		Year to Date		
Regular Claims	May 2024	Apr 2024	May 2023	Apr 2024	May 2023	2024	2023	% Change
Initial Claims Received	3,368	5,149	3,146	-34.6%	7.1%	25,245	23,179	8.9%
Initial Claims Verified (to date)	3,191	4,969	3,073	-35.8%	3.8%	23,704	22,178	6.9%
Number of Payments	27,752	42,433	29,347	-34.6%	-5.4%	215,248	192,117	12.0%
Amount of Payments (gross millions)	\$12.9	\$19.5	\$13.0	-33.7%	-0.8%	\$100.4	\$86.0	16.8%
Exhaustions (Final Payments)	751	904	680	-16.9%	10.4%	3,737	2,894	29.1%

#### **Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed Claimants**

Total	Long-Term*	% Long-Term
7,758	2,720	35.1%
4,196	1,550	36.9%
3,562	1,170	32.8%
7,758	2,720	35.1%
828	294	35.5%
3,018	1,096	36.3%
1,347	474	35.2%
397	127	32.0%
954	322	33.8%
1,139	385	33.8%
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May 2024	Total	Long-Term*	% Long-Term
Selected Industries	7,758	2,720	35.1%
Construction	772	284	36.8%
Manufacturing	747	256	34.3%
Administrative & Waste Services	978	389	39.8%
Retail Trade	679	227	33.4%
Health Care & Social Assistance	968	297	30.7%
Educational Services	152	47	30.9%
Selected Occupations	7,758	2,720	35.1%
Healthcare Support	360	104	28.9%
Production	626	230	36.7%
Office & Administrative Support	1,027	353	34.4%

### New Maximum Weekly Benefit Rates for UI & TDI/TCI

The Department of Labor and Training announced the new maximum weekly benefit amounts for the two major income support programs it runs for Rhode Island workers and employers - Unemployment Insurance (UI) and Temporary Disability Insurance (TDI).

For new claims with an effective date of July 1, 2024, or later, the maximum weekly benefit rate for Unemployment Insurance will increase to \$723 per beneficiary, an increase of \$18 from the current rate of \$705. For beneficiaries with the maximum five dependents, the maximum weekly benefit rate will be \$903, an increase of \$22 from the current rate of \$881.

The maximum weekly benefit rate for Temporary Disability Insurance will increase to \$1,070, an increase of \$27 from the current rate of \$1,043. For beneficiaries with the maximum five dependents, the maximum weekly benefit rate will be \$1,444, an increase of \$36 from the current rate of \$1,408.

Maximum Benefit Rate as of July 1, 2024

UI - \$723 TDI/TCI - \$1,070

About UI and TDI/TCI: UI provides temporary income support to workers who have lost their jobs through no fault of their own or have had their hours reduced, and who have sufficient wages to meet the monetary requirements. It is funded entirely from state and federal UI taxes paid by RI employers. TDI protects workers against wage loss due to a non-work-related illness or injury and through Temporary Caregiver Insurance (TCI), which provides up to six weeks to bond with a new child or to care for a seriously ill family member. Workers pay for TDI through a payroll tax.

