



# Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

## Weekly Update of Claims Activity

### Week Ending: January 2, 2021

#### *Unemployment Insurance*

**Initial Claims** – 5,516 initial claims were filed during the week ending 1/2/21, an increase of 70 from the previous week. Of the 5,516 initial claims filed, 4,007 were due to COVID-19. This week there were 2,619 Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) initial claims processed. To date 304,455 PUA initial claims have been filed.

**Continued Claims** – 19,927 continued claims were processed during the week of 1/2/21, an increase of 758 from the previous week. This week there were 41,518 continued claims processed for (PUA).

**Workshare** – gives employers an alternative to layoffs by allowing employees to work reduced hours and collect a percentage of regular UI benefits to compensate for lost pay. This week, 29 initial claims and 2,973 continued claims were processed. An estimated 18 layoffs were prevented this week as a result of Workshare.

**Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation** – PEUC, provides 13 weeks of federally funded benefits to eligible individuals who exhausted their UI claims. Rhode Island began taking PEUC claims May 7, 2020. This week there were 352 PEUC initial claims and 14,300 continued claims processed.

**Extended Benefits** – EB provides up to 20 additional weeks of benefits to eligible individuals who exhaust their UI and PEUC claims. Rhode Island began taking EB claims week ending July 25<sup>th</sup>. There were 214 initial claims and 9,944 continued claims processed.

**Exhaustions** – 689 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, a decrease of 3 from the previous week. The number of exhaustions continues to be high as individuals unemployed due to COVID-19 begin to exhaust their regular payments.

#### *Temporary Disability Insurance*

**Temporary Disability Insurance** – 997 initial claims and 5,667 continued claims were filed for Temporary Disability Insurance. Of the 997 initial claims filed, 332 were due to COVID-19. The average weekly TDI payment is \$553 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 7.4 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 63,587 TDI claims filed.

**Temporary Caregiver Insurance** – Of the 997 TDI initial claims 286 (28.7%) were TCI Claims. This week 223 TCI payments were issued totaling \$270,208. The average weekly TCI payment was \$617. Of the 63,587 TDI claims filed in 2020 16,932 or 26.6% were TCI claims. This week a total of 11 COVID-19 related TCI claims were filed.

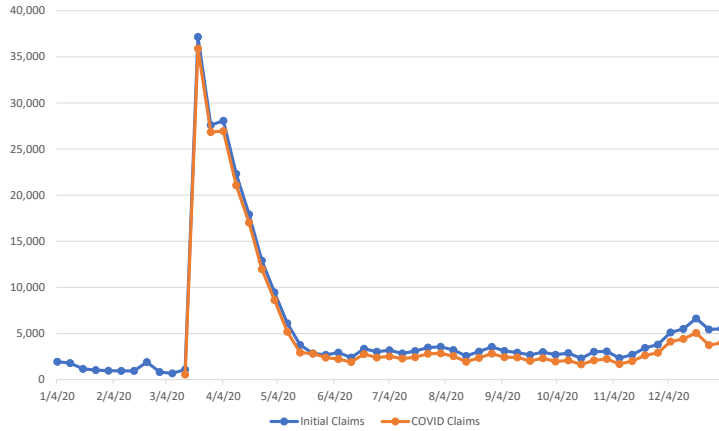
|                                  | Initial Claims |       |            | Continued Claims | TOTAL - Initial and Continued Claims |               |          |
|----------------------------------|----------------|-------|------------|------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|----------|
|                                  | Total          | New   | Additional |                  | Current Week                         | Previous Week | Year Ago |
| <b>Total - All programs*</b>     | 5,929          | 4,590 | 1,339      | 37,577           | 43,506                               | 43,686        | 14,319   |
| <b>UI Claims</b>                 | 5,516          | 4,382 | 1,134      | 19,927           | 25,443                               | 24,615        | 13,891   |
| Change from:                     |                |       |            |                  |                                      |               |          |
| Previous Week                    | 70             | 456   | -386       | 758              | 828                                  |               |          |
| Year Ago                         | 3,566          | 3,238 | 328        | 7,986            | 11,552                               |               |          |
| <b>PEUC</b>                      | 352            | 174   | 178        | 14,300           | 14,652                               | 17,117        |          |
| <b>EB</b>                        | 214            | 204   | 10         | 9,944            | 10,158                               | 6,272         |          |
| <b>COVID-19</b>                  | 4,007          | -     | -          | -                | -                                    | -             | -        |
| <b>Thru 1/2/21</b>               | 243,907        |       |            |                  |                                      |               |          |
| <b>PUA</b>                       | 2,619          | -     | -          | 41,518           | 44,137                               | 44,589        | -        |
| <b>Interstate-Liable</b>         | 32             | 17    | 15         | 377              | 409                                  | 463           | 378      |
| <b>Workshare</b>                 | 29             | 17    | 12         | 2,973            | 3,002                                | 1,491         | 50       |
| <b>Workshare Equivalency</b>     | 18             | 12    | 6          | 751              | 769                                  | 446           | 12       |
| <b>UI Exhaustions</b>            | -              | -     | -          | 689              | 689                                  | 692           | 123      |
| <b>TDI Claims (Includes TCI)</b> | 997            | 726   | 271        | 5,667            | 6,664                                | 3,986         | 7,128    |
| Change from:                     |                |       |            |                  |                                      |               |          |
| Previous Week                    | 303            | 199   | 104        | 2,375            | 2,678                                |               |          |
| Year Ago                         | 294            | 186   | 108        | -758             | -464                                 |               |          |
| <b>COVID-19</b>                  | 332            | -     | -          |                  |                                      |               |          |
| <b>Thru 1/2/21</b>               | 19,609         |       |            |                  |                                      |               |          |

\* Includes UI, PEUC, Workshare & Interstate Liable. UI claims include COVID-19.

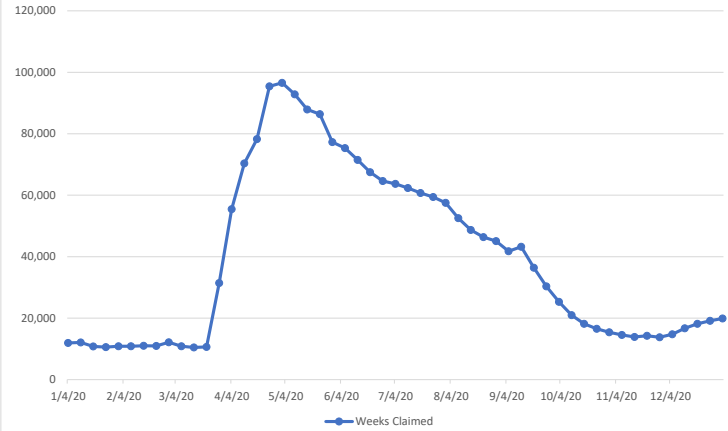
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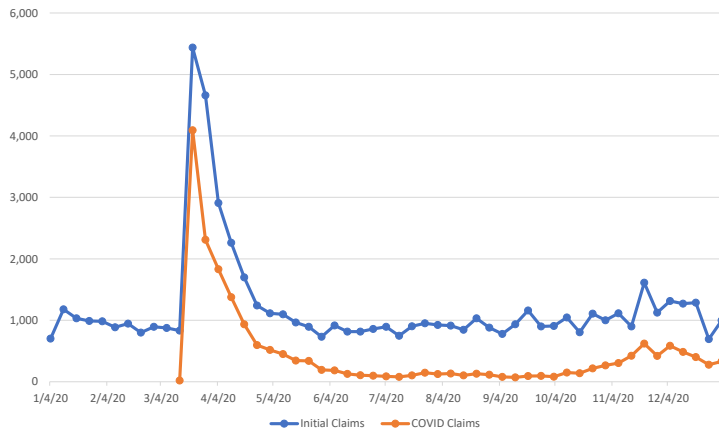
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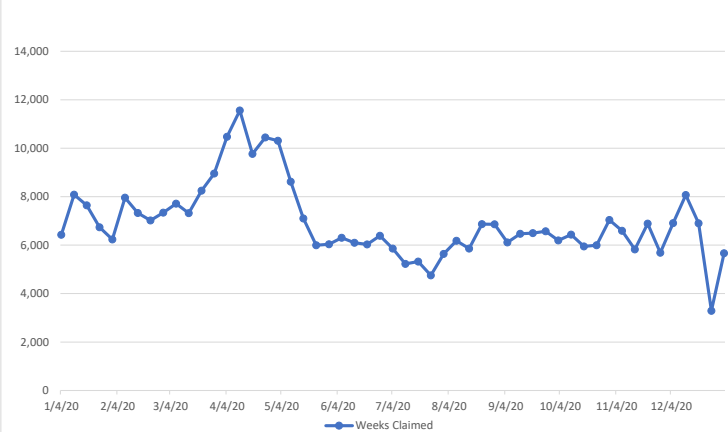
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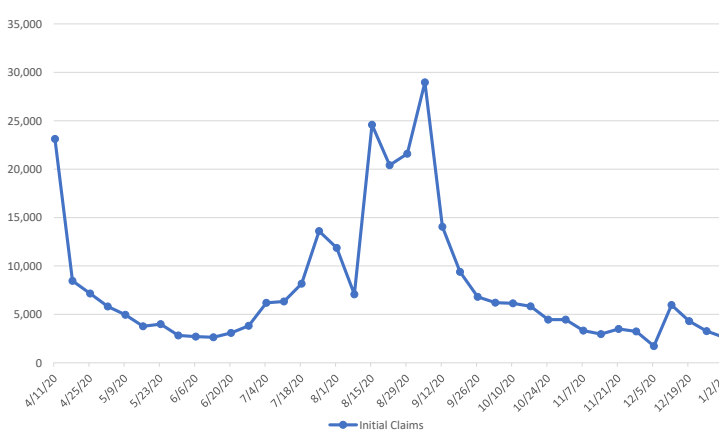
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PUA Initial Claims Filed April 11, 2020 to January 2, 2021



PUA Weeks Claimed April 18, 2020 to January 2, 2021

