



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: October 17, 2020

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 2,310 initial claims were filed during the week ending 10/17/20, a decrease of 576 from the previous week. Of the 2,310 initial claims filed, 1,650 were due to COVID-19. This week there were 5,831 Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) initial claims processed. To date 264,595 PUA initial claims have been filed.

Continued Claims – 18,191 continued claims were processed during the week of 10/17/20, a decrease of 2,774 from the previous week. This week there were 43,401 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, 24 initial claims and 2,200 continued claims were processed. An estimated 8 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 2,013 PEUC initial claims and 18,101 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 25th. There were 147 initial claims and 1,744 continued claims processed.

Exhaustions – 2,006 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, a decrease of 589 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 – 804 initial claims and 5,944 continued claims were filed for Temporary Disability Insurance. Of the 804 initial claims filed, 139 were due to COVID-19. The average weekly TDI payment is \$545 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 7.9 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 51,169 TDI claims filed.

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 804 TDI initial claims, 250 (31.1%) were TCI Claims. This week 358 TCI payments were issued totaling \$231,978. The average weekly TCI payment was \$648. Of the 51,169 TDI claims filed in 2020, 13,958 or 27.3% were TCI claims. This week a total of 12 COVID-19 related TCI claims were filed.

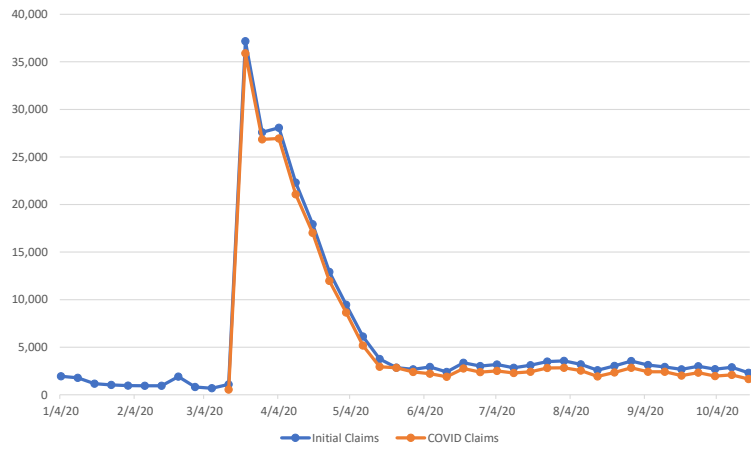
	Initial Claims			Continued Claims	TOTAL - Initial and Continued Claims		
	Total	New	Additional		Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago
Total - All programs*	4,368	3,918	450	38,989	43,357	46,620	6,213
UI Claims	2,310	1,915	395	18,191	20,501	23,851	5,739
Change from:							
Previous Week	-576	-508	-68	-2,774	-3,350		
Year Ago	1,665	1,486	179	13,097	14,762		
PEUC	2,013	1,972	41	18,101	20,114	18,908	
EB	147	144	3	1,744	1,891	1,941	
COVID-19	1,650	-	-	-	-	-	-
Thru 10/16/20	208,978						
PUA	5,831	-	-	43,401	49,232	51,071	-
Interstate-Liable	21	11	10	497	518	590	283
Workshare	24	20	4	2,200	2,224	3,271	191
Workshare Equivalency	8	7	1	614	622	887	51
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	2,006	2,006	2,595	130
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	804	591	213	5,944	6,748	7,481	7,711
Change from:							
Previous Week	-243	-191	-52	-490	-733		
Year Ago	24	-3	27	-987	-963		
COVID-19	139	-	-				
Thru 10/16/20	15,271						

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

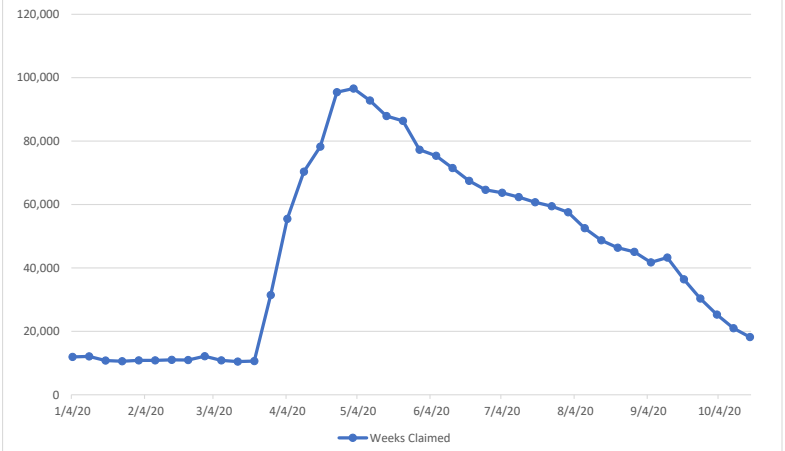
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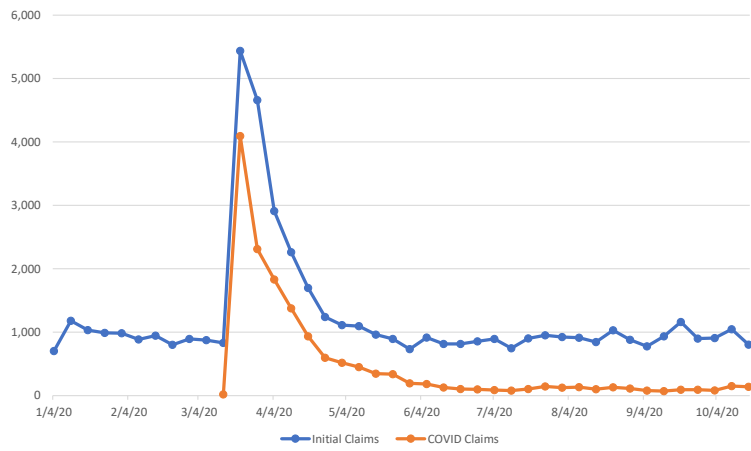
Initial Claims Filed Jan. 1 to October 17, 2020



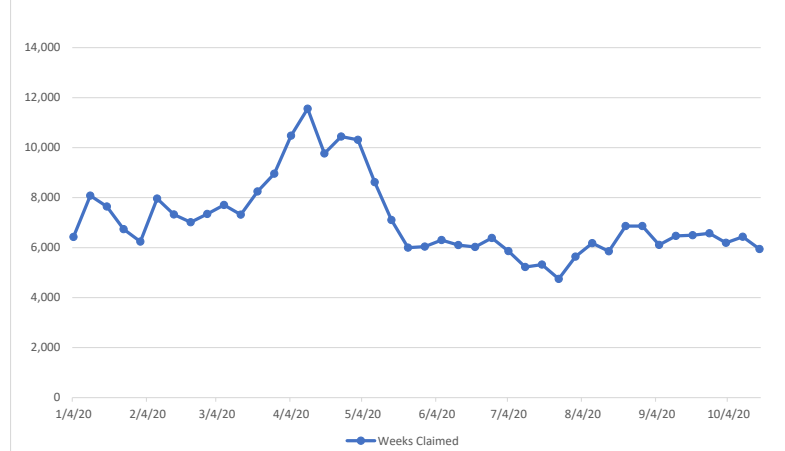
UI Weeks Claimed Jan. 1 to October 17, 2020



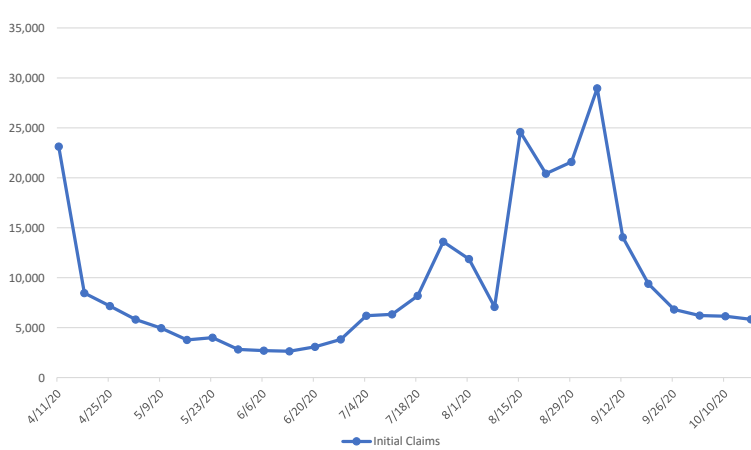
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PUA Initial Claims Filed April 11 to October 17, 2020



PUA Weeks Claimed April 18 to October 17, 2020

