



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: August 15, 2020

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 2,576 initial claims were filed during the week ending 8/15/20, a decrease of 621 from the previous week. Of the 2,576 initial claims filed, 1,935 were due to COVID-19. This week there were 24,574 Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) initial claims processed. To date 145,208 PUA initial claims have been filed.

Continued Claims – 48,703 continued claims were processed during the week of 8/15/20, a decrease of 3,847 from the previous week. This week there were 53,449 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, 50 initial claims and 4,601 continued claims were processed. An estimated 23 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 992 PEUC initial claims and 4,912 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 115 initial claims and 612 continued claims processed.

Exhaustions – 1,059 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, an increase of 47 from the previous week. The number of exhaustions is increasing as individuals unemployed due to COVID-19 begin to exhaust their regular payments.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 847 initial claims and 5,855 continued claims were filed for Temporary Disability Insurance. Of the 847 initial claims filed, 103 were due to COVID-19. The average weekly TDI payment is \$547 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 8.2 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 42,718 TDI claims filed.

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 847 TDI initial claims, 230 (27.2%) were TCI Claims. This week 429 TCI payments were issued totaling \$271,667. The average weekly TCI payment was \$633. Of the 42,718 TDI claims filed in 2020, 11,498 or 26.9% were TCI claims. This week a total of 7 COVID-19 related TCI claims were filed.

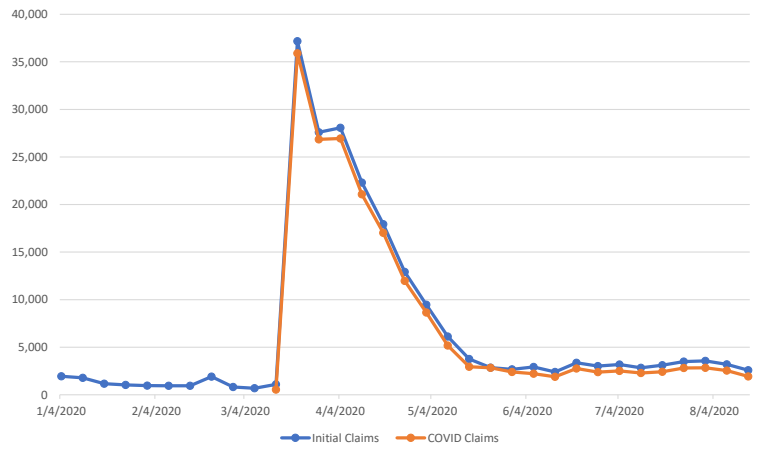
	Initial Claims			Continued Claims	TOTAL - Initial and Continued Claims		
	Total	New	Additional		Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago
Total - All programs*	3,658	3,266	392	59,327	62,985	69,866	9,820
UI Claims	2,576	2,233	343	48,703	51,279	55,747	8,999
Change from:							
Previous Week	-621	-494	-127	-3,847	-4,468		
Year Ago	1,711	1,732	-21	40,569	42,280		
PEUC	992	983	9	4,912	5,904	5,304	
EB	115	115	0	612	727	684	
COVID-19	1,935	-	-	-	-	-	-
Thru 8/14/20	188,910						
PUA	24,574	-	-	53,449	78,023	63,332	-
Interstate-Liable	40	30	10	1,111	1,151	1,275	342
Workshare	50	20	30	4,601	4,651	7,540	479
Workshare Equivalency	23	10	13	1,386	1,409	2,472	111
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	1,059	1,059	1,012	135
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	847	633	214	5,855	6,702	7,092	7,675
Change from:							
Previous Week	-66	-37	-29	-324	-390		
Year Ago	-73	-76	3	-900	-973		
COVID-19	103	-	-				
Thru 8/14/20	14,316						

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

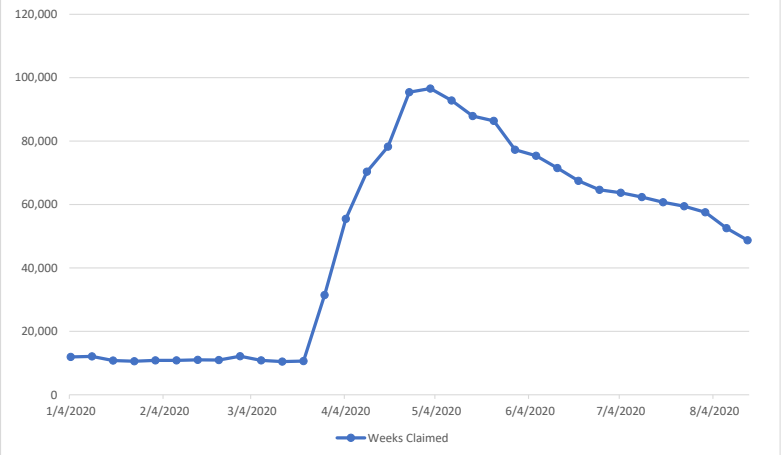
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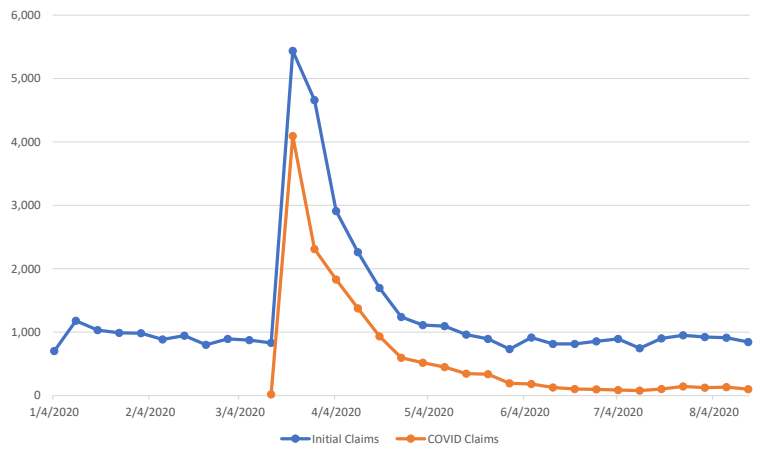
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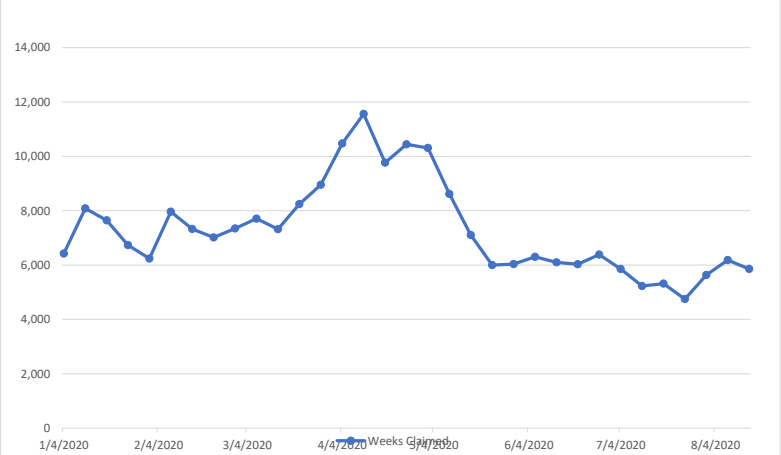
UI Weeks Claimed Jan. 1 to August 15, 2020



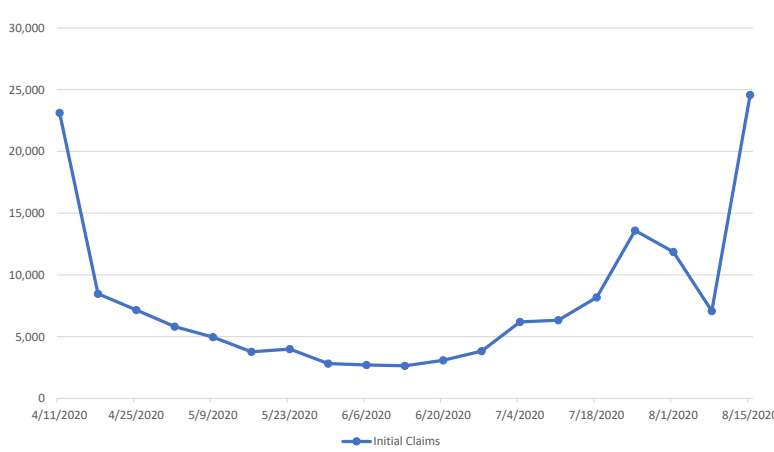
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PUA Initial Claims Filed April 11 to August 15, 2020



PUA Weeks Claimed April 18 to August 15, 2020

