



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: February 8, 2020

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 944 initial claims were processed during the week ending 2/8/20, a decrease of 22 from the previous week, and an increase of 59 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 14.1 percent from last year and down 11.7 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 10,869 continued claims were processed during the week of 2/8/20, an increase of 6 from the previous week and a decrease of 996 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 3.8 percent from last year and down 8.0 percent from two years ago.

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, 11 initial claims and 132 continued claims were processed. An estimated 3 layoffs were prevented this week as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 115 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, an increase of 9 from the previous week and a decrease of 21 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 886 initial claims and 7,961 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$533 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.3 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 5,776 TDI claims filed.

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 886 TDI initial claims, 252 (28.4%) were TCI Claims. This week 514 TCI payments were issued totaling \$297,445. The average weekly TCI payment was \$579. Of the 5,776 TDI claims filed in 2020, 1,573 or 27.2% were TCI claims.

	Initial Claims			Continued Claims	TOTAL - Initial and Continued Claims			
	Total	New	Additional		Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago	Two Years Ago
Total - All programs*	968	696	272	11,379	12,347	12,334	13,489	14,087
UI Claims	944	678	266	10,869	11,813	11,829	12,750	13,127
Change from:								
Previous Week	-22	-25	3	6	-16			
Year Ago	59	24	35	-996	-937			
Two Years Ago	55	34	21	-1,369	-1,314			
Interstate-Liable	13	8	5	378	391	389	430	457
Workshare	11	10	1	132	143	116	309	503
Workshare Equivalency	3	3	0	35	38	35	72	124
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	115	115	106	136	138
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	886	691	195	7,961	8,847	7,222	8,084	8,093
Change from:								
Previous Week	-99	-59	-40	1,724	1,625			
Year Ago	-84	-53	-31	847	763			

* Includes UI, Workshare & Interstate Liable.

Equal Opportunity Employer / Program / Auxiliary aids and services available upon request to individuals with disabilities / TTY via RI Relay 711.