



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: January 4, 2020

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 1,950 initial claims were processed during the week ending 1/4/20, a decrease of 1,692 from the previous week, and a decrease of 353 from a year ago.

Continued Claims – 11,941 continued claims were processed during the week of 1/4/20, an increase of 3,764 from the previous week and an increase of 449 from a year 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 39 continued claims were processed. An estimated 3 layoffs were prevented this week as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 123 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, a decrease of 7 from the previous week and a decrease of 32 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 703 initial claims and 6,425 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$535 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.3 weeks per new claim. During the year 2019, there were 49,009 TDI files claimed

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 703 TDI initial claims, 216 (30.7%) were TCI Claims. This week 405 TCI payments were issued totaling \$229,239. The average weekly TCI payment was \$566. Of the 49,009 TDI claims filed in 2019, 12,855 or 26.2% 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*	1,991	1,159	832	12,328	14,319	12,311	14,371	14,368
UI Claims	1,950	1,144	806	11,941	13,891	11,819	13,795	13,897
Change from:								
Previous Week	-1,692	-288	-1,404	3,764	2,072			
Year Ago	-353	-238	-115	449	96			
Two Years Ago	27	-35	62	-33	-6			
Interstate-Liable	30	11	19	348	378	349	444	412
Workshare	11	4	7	39	50	143	132	59
Workshare Equivalency	3	1	2	9	12	34	43	12
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	123	123	130	155	181
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	703	540	163	6,425	7,128	7,519	7,327	6,953
Change from:								
Previous Week	139	124	15	-530	-391			
Year Ago	-275	-193	-82	76	-199			

* 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.