

Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Monthly Update

Month Ending: June 30, 2020

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 14,798 initial claims were processed during the month of June, a decrease of 2,334 (-13.6%) from the previous month, and an increase of 9,355 (171.9%) from a year ago. Of the 14,798 initial claims processed in June, 11,626 were due to COVID-19. Of the 12,884 monetary determinations issued in June 2,336 (18.1%) were monetarily ineligible

Weeks Claimed – 346,431 weeks claimed were processed during the month of June, a decrease of 7,107 (-2.0%) from the previous month and an increase of 318,844 (1,155.8%) from a year ago. There were 338,960 payments made in June, which resulted in payments totaling \$101.7 million. There were 32,353 (9.5%) partial payments issued in June 2020 compared to 1,735 (6.8%) last year. The average weekly benefit payment was \$300. The number of weekly benefit payments is averaging 11.0 weeks per claim.

Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) –provides up to 13 weeks of federally funded benefits to eligible individuals who exhausted their Unemployment Insurance claim. Rhode Island began processing PEUC claims May 7, 2020. During the month of June, 1,550 initial PEUC claims were filed. There were 15,066 payments made which resulted in payments totaling \$5.2 million.

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) – we began processing PUA claims week ending April 11, 2020. In June 14,768 PUA initial claims and 213,816 continued claims were processed.

Workshare – 2,908 initial claims were processed for Workshare benefits this month, an increase of 2,643 from the previous month and an increase of 2,677 from June 2019. It is estimated that 1,092 layoffs were averted this month as a result of Rhode Island's Workshare program.

First and Final Claims – 7,032 first payments and 1,558 final payments were issued in June 2020. The current exhaustion duration ratio is 33.6 percent.

Non-monetary Determinations – 1,841 non-monetary determinations were issued during the month of June 2020. Of the 1,841 determinations, 918 (49.9%) were separation issues and 923 (50.1%) were non-separation issues. Denials were issued for 489 (53.3%) separation issues and 733 (79.4%) non-separation issues.

Appeals – 357 appeal decisions were processed with the Board of Review in June 2020. Of the 357 processed, 288 (80.7%) were filed by UI applicants and 69 (19.3%) were filed by employers. The Board upheld the director's decision in more than two-thirds of the cases.

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



Labor Market Information

Monthly Claims Summary

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	Current	Previous	Year	Percent Change From Previous Year		Year to Date	
	Month	Month	Ago	Month	Ago	2020	2019
Initial Claims	14,798	17,132	5,443	-13.6%	171.9%	198,032	29,685
COVID-19	11,626	15,140	-	-23.2%	-	174,638	-
Monetary Determinations	12,884	14,592	2,834	-11.7%	354.6%	133,472	19,694
Monetary Ineligible	2,336	3,807	210	-38.6%	1012.4%	22,046	1,051
Weeks Claimed	346,431	353,538	27,587	-2.0%	1155.8%	1,253,540	244,258
Number of Payments	338,960	339,477	25,637	-0.2%	1222.2%	1,212,539	227,619
Amount of Payments	\$101,691,140	\$105,652,541	\$9,242,396	-3.7%	1000.3%	\$386,877,728	\$83,188,520
Average Payment	\$300	\$311	\$361	-3.6%	-16.8%	\$319	\$365
Partial Payments	32,353	19,053	1,735	69.8%	1764.7%	73,903	12,701
Average Duration (12 Months)	11.0	8.9	14.8	23.1%	-26.0%	11.0	14.8
Exhaustion Ratio (12 Months)	33.6	30.3	26.8	10.9%	25.3%	33.6	26.8
First Payments	7,032	12,222	1,633	-42.5%	330.6%	114,899	15,305
Final Payments	1,558	1,235	614	26.2%	153.7%	5,469	3,855
PUA Initial Claims	14,768	16,366	-	-9.8%	-	69,929	-
PUA Weeks Claimed	213,816	156,100	-	37.0%	-	424,626	-
PEUC Initial Claims	1,550	2,680	-	-42.2%	-	4,230	-
PEUC Weeks Claimed	15,417	5,867	-	162.8%	-	21,284	-
PEUC Number of Payments	15,066	5,993	-	151.4%	-	21,059	-
PEUC Amount of Payments	5,204,848	2,094,840	-	148.5%	-	7,299,688	-
Workshare Initial Claims	2,908	265	231	997.4%	1158.9%	3,879	738
Workshare Initial Claims Equivalency	1,092	75	49	1356.0%	2128.6%	1,360	181
Workshare Weeks Claimed	14,080	5,879	2,295	139.5%	513.5%	25,082	9,692
Workshare Weeks Claimed Equivalency	4,022	1,757	486	128.9%	727.6%	7,461	2,244