



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: December 14, 2019

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 1,321 initial claims were processed during the week ending 12/14/19, a decrease of 186 from the previous week, and an increase of 35 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 1.3 percent from last year and down 5.4 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 7,102 continued claims were processed during the week of 12/14/19, an increase of 588 from the previous week and a decrease of 261 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 3.1 percent from last year and down 9.0 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, 4 initial claims and 123 continued claims were processed. An estimated 1 layoff was prevented this week as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 148 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, an increase of 38 from the previous week and a decrease of 8 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 942 initial claims and 7,745 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$524 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.2 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 47,528 TDI files claimed

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 942 TDI initial claims, 224 (23.8%) were TCI Claims. This week 450 TCI payments were issued totaling \$270,148. The average weekly TCI payment was \$600. Of the 47,528 TDI claims filed in 2019, 12,416 or 26.1% 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*	1,349	743	606	7,561	8,910	8,491	9,246	9,801
UI Claims	1,321	726	595	7,102	8,423	8,021	8,649	8,944
Change from:								
Previous Week	-186	-11	-175	588	402			
Year Ago	35	-17	52	-261	-226			
Two Years Ago	-224	-66	-158	-297	-521			
Interstate-Liable	24	14	10	336	360	362	467	415
Workshare	4	3	1	123	127	108	130	442
Workshare Equivalency	1	1	0	29	30	30	36	113
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	148	148	110	156	146
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	942	718	224	7,745	8,687	8,095	8,845	9,070
Change from:								
Previous Week	-202	-164	-38	794	592			
Year Ago	-324	-230	-94	166	-158			

* 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.