

## Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: November 30, 2019

## **Unemployment Insurance**

**Initial Claims** – 966 initial claims were processed during the week ending 11/30/19, an increase of 137 from the previous week, and a decrease of 321 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 2.2 percent from last year and down 6.0 percent from two years ago.

**Continued Claims** - 6,020 continued claims were processed during the week of 11/30/19, an increase of 213 from the previous week and a decrease of 754 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 3.0 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, 8 initial claim and 163 continued claims were processed. An estimated 2 layoffs were prevented this week as a result of Workshare.

**Exhaustions** – 117 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, a decrease of 9 from the previous week and a decrease of 15 from a year ago.

## Temporary Disability Insurance

**Temporary Disability Insurance** – 571 initial claims and 6,819 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$525 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.3 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 45,442 TDI files claimed

**Temporary Caregiver Insurance** – Of the 571 TDI initial claims, 212 (37.1%) were TCI Claims. This week 448 TCI payments were issued totaling \$247,423. The average weekly TCI payment was \$552. Of the 45,442 TDI claims filed in 2019, 11,931 or 26.3% were TCI claims.

					<b>TOTAL - Initial and Continued Claims</b>			
	Initial Claims			Continued	Current	Previous	Year	Two Year
-	Total	New	Additional	Claims	Week	Week	Ago	Ago
Total - All programs*	1,000	536	464	6,486	7,486	7,143	8,713	9,000
UI Claims	966	524	442	6,020	6,986	6,636	8,061	8,158
Change from:								
Previous Week	137	45	92	213	350			
Year Ago	-321	-300	-21	-754	-1,075			
Two Years Ago	-203	-195	-8	-969	-1,172			
Interstate-Liable	26	11	15	303	329	327	476	416
Workshare	8	1	7	163	171	180	176	426
Workshare Equivalency	2	0	2	38	40	47	52	129
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	117	117	126	132	146
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	571	440	131	6,819	7,390	8,641	7,865	8,247
Change from:								
Previous Week	-593	-447	-146	-658	-1,251			
Year Ago	-211	-134	-77	-264	-475			

\* 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.

