

Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: November 23, 2019

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 829 initial claims were processed during the week ending 11/23/19, an increase of 41 from the previous week, and a decrease of 160 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 1.6 percent from last year and down 5.7 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 5,807 continued claims were processed during the week of 11/23/19, an increase of 280 from the previous week and a decrease of 340 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 2.9 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 claim and 176 continued claims were processed. An estimated 2 layoffs were prevented this week as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 126 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, an increase of 15 from the previous week and an increase of 1 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 1,164 initial claims and 7,477 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 10.2 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 44,871 TDI files claimed

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 1,164 TDI initial claims, 272 (23.4%) were TCI Claims. This week 562 TCI payments were issued totaling \$329,828. The average weekly TCI payment was \$587. Of the 44,871 TDI claims filed in 2019, 11,719 or 26.1% were TCI claims.

					TOTAL - Initial and Continued Claims			
	Initial Claims			Continued	Current	Previous	Year	Two Years
_	Total	New	Additional	Claims	Week	Week	Ago	Ago
Total - All programs*	856	491	365	6,287	7,143	6,765	7,950	7,838
UI Claims	829	479	350	5,807	6,636	6,315	7,136	7,150
Change from:								
Previous Week	41	-15	56	280	321			
Year Ago	-160	-82	-78	-340	-500			
Two Years Ago	-101	-7	-94	-413	-514			
Interstate-Liable	23	9	14	304	327	321	455	399
Workshare	4	3	1	176	180	129	359	289
Workshare Equivalency	2	1	1	45	47	31	103	75
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	126	126	111	125	145
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	1,164	887	277	7,477	8,641	7,843	6,957	8,084
Change from:								
Previous Week	283	216	67	515	798			
Year Ago	253	172	81	1,431	1,684			

^{*} 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

