

Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: November 16, 2019

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 788 initial claims were processed during the week ending 11/16/19, a decrease of 63 from the previous week, and a decrease of 224 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 1.3 percent from last year and down 5.6 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 5,527 continued claims were processed during the week of 11/16/19, an increase of 199 from the previous week and a decrease of 319 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, 10 initial claim and 119 continued claims were processed. An estimated 2 layoffs were prevented this week as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 111 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, a decrease of 11 from the previous week and a decrease of 9 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 881 initial claims and 6,962 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$530 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.2 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 43,707 TDI files claimed

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 881 TDI initial claims, 216 (24.5%) were TCI Claims. This week 444 TCI payments were issued totaling \$254,316. The average weekly TCI payment was \$573. Of the 43,707 TDI claims filed in 2019, 11,447 or 26.2% 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*	822	517	305	5,943	6,765	6,686	7,459	7,986
UI Claims	788	494	294	5,527	6,315	6,179	6,858	7,235
Change from:								
Previous Week	-63	-40	-23	199	136			
Year Ago	-224	-136	-88	-319	-543			
Two Years Ago	-181	-90	-91	-739	-920			
Interstate-Liable	24	13	11	297	321	324	445	389
Workshare	10	10	0	119	129	183	156	362
Workshare Equivalency	2	2	0	29	31	53	37	90
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	111	111	122	120	158
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	881	671	210	6,962	7,843	8,692	7,906	7,347
Change from:								
Previous Week	-58	-27	-31	-791	-849			
Year Ago	157	119	38	-220	-63			

^{*} 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.

