



# Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

## Weekly Update of Claims Activity

### Week Ending: November 2, 2019

### *Unemployment Insurance*

**Initial Claims** – 786 initial claims were processed during the week ending 11/2/19, an increase of 104 from the previous week, and an increase of 86 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 1.0 percent from last year and down 5.1 percent from two years ago.

**Continued Claims** – 5,206 continued claims were processed during the week of 11/2/19, an increase of 31 from the previous week and a decrease of 550 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 2.8 percent from last year and down 8.9 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, 1 initial claim and 180 continued claims were processed.

**Exhaustions** – 128 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, an increase of 15 from the previous week and an increase of 8 from a year ago.

### *Temporary Disability Insurance*

**Temporary Disability Insurance** – 927 initial claims and 7,799 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 10.3 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 41,887 TDI files claimed

**Temporary Caregiver Insurance** – Of the 927 TDI initial claims, 279 (30.1%) were TCI Claims. This week 539 TCI payments were issued totaling \$301,100. The average weekly TCI payment was \$559. Of the 41,887 TDI claims filed in 2019, 10,953 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 |
| <b>Total - All programs*</b>     | 824            | 530 | 294        | 5,658            | 6,482                                | 6,314         | 7,139    | 7,551         |
| <b>UI Claims</b>                 | 786            | 510 | 276        | 5,206            | 5,992                                | 5,857         | 6,456    | 6,903         |
| Change from:                     |                |     |            |                  |                                      |               |          |               |
| Previous Week                    | 104            | 57  | 47         | 31               | 135                                  |               |          |               |
| Year Ago                         | 86             | 52  | 34         | -550             | -464                                 |               |          |               |
| Two Years Ago                    | -88            | -39 | -49        | -823             | -911                                 |               |          |               |
| <b>Interstate-Liable</b>         | 37             | 20  | 17         | 272              | 309                                  | 299           | 424      | 378           |
| <b>Workshare</b>                 | 1              | 0   | 1          | 180              | 181                                  | 158           | 259      | 270           |
| <b>Workshare Equivalency</b>     | 0              | 0   | 0          | 50               | 50                                   | 37            | 57       | 90            |
| <b>UI Exhaustions</b>            | -              | -   | -          | 128              | 128                                  | 113           | 120      | 147           |
| <b>TDI Claims (Includes TCI)</b> | 927            | 699 | 228        | 7,799            | 8,726                                | 8,502         | 8,482    | 7,893         |
| Change from:                     |                |     |            |                  |                                      |               |          |               |
| Previous Week                    | -82            | -61 | -21        | 306              | 224                                  |               |          |               |
| Year Ago                         | 96             | 53  | 43         | 148              | 244                                  |               |          |               |

\* Includes UI, Workshare & Interstate Liable.

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