

Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: September 21, 2019

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 638 initial claims were processed during the week ending 9/21/19, a decrease of 82 from the previous week, and an increase of 6 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 0.4 percent from last year and down 4.7 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 5,494 continued claims were processed during the week of 9/21/19, a decrease of 45 from the previous week and a decrease of 539 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 2.3 percent from last year and down 8.3 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, 51 initial claims and 40 continued claims were processed. An estimated 12 layoffs were prevented this week as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 129 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, a decrease of 8 from the previous week and a decrease of 24 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 1,049 initial claims and 7,829 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$512 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.2 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 36,438 TDI files claimed

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 1,049 TDI initial claims, 262 (25.0%) were TCI Claims. This week 555 TCI payments were issued totaling \$332,458. The average weekly TCI payment was \$599. Of the 36,438 TDI claims filed in 2019, 9,364 or 25.7% 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*	709	506	203	5,833	6,542	6,826	7,359	7,651
UI Claims	638	447	191	5,494	6,132	6,259	6,665	6,955
Change from:								
Previous Week	-82	-56	-26	-45	-127			
Year Ago	6	17	-11	-539	-533			
Two Years Ago	-144	-68	-76	-679	-823			
Interstate-Liable	20	13	7	299	319	326	359	363
Workshare	51	46	5	40	91	241	335	333
Workshare Equivalency	12	11	1	13	25	65	73	76
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	129	129	137	153	116
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	1,049	786	263	7,829	8,878	9,096	8,850	9,285
Change from:								
Previous Week	-106	-101	-5	-112	-218			
Year Ago	129	90	39	-101	28			

^{*} 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

