

## **Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training**

## **Weekly Update of Claims Activity**

Week Ending: May 25, 2019

## **Unemployment Insurance**

**Initial Claims** – 655 initial claims were processed during the week ending 5/25/19, a decrease of 28 from the previous week, and an increase of 50 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is up 4.1 percent from last year and down 1.5 percent from two years ago.

**Continued Claims** – 6,726 continued claims were processed during the week of 5/25/19, an increase of 139 from the previous week and an increase of 160 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 1.9 percent from last year and down 8.0 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, 82 initial claims and 521 continued claims were processed. An estimated 13 layoffs were prevented this week as a result of Workshare.

**Exhaustions** – 167 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, an increase of 21 from the previous week and an increase of 34 from a year ago.

## Temporary Disability Insurance

**Temporary Disability Insurance** – 906 initial claims and 7,415 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$514 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.1 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 19,801 TDI files claimed

**Temporary Caregiver Insurance** – Of the 906 TDI initial claims, 243 (26.8%) were TCI Claims. This week 484 TCI payments were issued totaling \$259,267. The average weekly TCI payment was \$536. Of the 19,801 TDI claims filed in 2019, 4,916 or 24.8% were TCI claims.

					<b>TOTAL - Initial and Continued Claims</b>			
	Initial Claims			Continued	Current	Previous	Year	Two Years
_	Total	New	Additional	Claims	Week	Week	Ago	Ago
Total - All programs*	772	527	245	7,580	8,352	8,144	7,803	8,880
UI Claims	655	424	231	6,726	7,381	7,270	7,171	8,253
Change from:								
Previous Week	-28	-13	-15	139	111			
Year Ago	50	74	-24	160	210			
Two Years Ago	-317	-196	-121	-555	-872			
Interstate-Liable	35	21	14	333	368	344	313	342
Workshare	82	82	0	521	603	530	319	285
Workshare Equivalency	13	13	0	125	138	116	83	65
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	167	167	146	133	168
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	906	708	198	7,415	8,321	7,876	7,784	8,302
Change from:								
Previous Week	-64	-30	-34	509	445			
Year Ago	19	65	-46	518	537			

<sup>\*</sup> 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

