



# Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

## Weekly Update of Claims Activity

### Week Ending: May 18, 2019

### *Unemployment Insurance*

**Initial Claims** – 683 initial claims were processed during the week ending 5/18/19, a decrease of 8 from the previous week, and a decrease of 144 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is up 4.0 percent from last year and down 0.2 percent from two years ago.

**Continued Claims** – 6,587 continued claims were processed during the week of 5/18/19, a decrease of 174 from the previous week and an increase of 40 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 2.0 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, 84 initial claims and 446 continued claims were processed. An estimated 19 layoffs were prevented this week as a result of Workshare.

**Exhaustions** – 146 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, a decrease of 11 from the previous week and a decrease of 3 from a year ago.

### *Temporary Disability Insurance*

**Temporary Disability Insurance** – 970 initial claims and 6,906 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 10.1 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 18,895 TDI files claimed

**Temporary Caregiver Insurance** – Of the 970 TDI initial claims, 227 (23.4%) were TCI Claims. This week 460 TCI payments were issued totaling \$271,595. The average weekly TCI payment was \$590. Of the 18,895 TDI claims filed in 2019, 4,673 or 24.7% 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>	788	530	258	7,356	8,144	8,276	8,215	9,116
<b>UI Claims</b>	683	437	246	6,587	7,270	7,452	7,374	8,216
Change from:								
Previous Week	-8	-66	58	-174	-182			
Year Ago	-144	-87	-57	40	-104			
Two Years Ago	-146	-47	-99	-800	-946			
<b>Interstate-Liable</b>	21	10	11	323	344	345	309	337
<b>Workshare</b>	84	83	1	446	530	479	532	563
<b>Workshare Equivalency</b>	19	19	0	97	116	117	133	134
<b>UI Exhaustions</b>	-	-	-	146	146	157	149	170
<b>TDI Claims (Includes TCI)</b>	970	738	232	6,906	7,876	8,138	7,977	8,169
Change from:								
Previous Week	68	49	19	-330	-262			
Year Ago	149	92	57	-250	-101			

\* 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.