



## Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

# *Weekly Update of Claims Activity*

*Week Ending: April 20, 2019*

### *Unemployment Insurance*

**Initial Claims** – 3,573 initial claims were processed during the week ending 4/20/19, an increase of 2,832 from the previous week, and an increase of 963 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is up 3.4 percent from last year and down 0.2 percent from two years ago. There was an increase in initial claims due to a labor dispute at Stop and Shop.

**Continued Claims** – 7,868 continued claims were processed during the week of 4/20/19, a decrease of 785 from the previous week and a decrease of 436 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 2.4 percent from last year and down 7.6 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 157 continued claims were processed.

**Exhaustions** – 181 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, an increase of 29 from the previous week and an increase of 3 from a year ago.

### *Temporary Disability Insurance*

**Temporary Disability Insurance** – 931 initial claims and 6,735 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$516 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.1 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 15,245 TDI files claimed

**Temporary Caregiver Insurance** – Of the 931 TDI initial claims, 269 (28.9%) were TCI Claims. This week 558 TCI payments were issued totaling \$301,632. The average weekly TCI payment was \$541. Of the 15,245 TDI claims filed in 2019, 3,782 or 24.8% were TCI claims.

	<b>Initial Claims</b>			<b>Continued Claims</b>	<b>TOTAL - Initial and Continued Claims</b>			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>New</b>	<b>Additional</b>		<b>Current Week</b>	<b>Previous Week</b>	<b>Year Ago</b>	<b>Two Years Ago</b>
<b>Total - All programs*</b>	3,601	1,887	1,714	8,371	11,972	10,179	11,757	11,955
<b>UI Claims</b>	3,573	1,860	1,713	7,868	11,441	9,394	10,914	11,167
Change from:								
Previous Week	2,832	1,391	1,441	-785	2,047			
Year Ago	963	894	69	-436	527			
Two Years Ago	1,351	1,006	345	-1,077	274			
<b>Interstate-Liable</b>	27	27	0	346	373	374	357	360
<b>Workshare</b>	1	0	1	157	158	411	486	428
<b>Workshare Equivalency</b>	0	0	0	31	31	101	125	113
<b>UI Exhaustions</b>	-	-	-	181	181	152	178	151
<b>TDI Claims (Includes TCI)</b>	931	699	232	6,735	7,666	8,343	7,784	7,949
Change from:								
Previous Week	-34	-59	25	-643	-677			
Year Ago	18	-5	23	-136	-118			

\* Includes UI, Workshare & Interstate Liable.

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