



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: March 23, 2019

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 741 initial claims were processed during the week ending 3/23/19, a decrease of 144 from the previous week, and an increase of 127 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is up 2.6 percent from last year and down 3.3 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 11,259 continued claims were processed during the week of 3/23/19, a decrease of 264 from the previous week and an increase of 217 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 2.4 percent from last year and down 7.0 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, 32 initial claims and 323 continued claims were processed. An estimated 8 layoffs were prevented this week as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 132 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, a decrease of 13 from the previous week and a decrease of 30 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 950 initial claims and 7,142 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$522 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.1 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 11,431 TDI files claimed

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 950 TDI initial claims, 261 (27.5%) were TCI Claims. This week 418 TCI payments were issued totaling \$233,015. The average weekly TCI payment was \$557. Of the 11,431 TDI claims filed in 2019, 2,814 or 24.6% were TCI claims.

	Initial Claims			Continued Claims	TOTAL - Initial and Continued Claims			
	Total	New	Additional		Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago	Two Years Ago
Total - All programs*	786	508	278	11,946	12,732	13,370	12,585	13,882
UI Claims	741	472	269	11,259	12,000	12,408	11,656	13,010
Change from:								
Previous Week	-144	-19	-125	-264	-408			
Year Ago	127	118	9	217	344			
Two Years Ago	-24	-49	25	-986	-1,010			
Interstate-Liable	13	5	8	364	377	412	409	452
Workshare	32	31	1	323	355	550	520	420
Workshare Equivalency	8	8	0	70	78	123	135	115
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	132	132	145	162	175
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	950	721	229	7,142	8,092	8,833	7,361	8,485
Change from:								
Previous Week	-86	-78	-8	-655	-741			
Year Ago	280	211	69	451	731			

* 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.