

Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: February 9, 2019

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 885 initial claims were processed during the week ending 2/9/19, a decrease of 556 from the previous week, and a decrease of 4 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is up 2.7 percent from last year and up 3.2 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 11,865 continued claims were processed during the week of 2/9/19, a decrease of 134 from the previous week and a decrease of 373 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 4.4 percent from last year and down 6.3 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, 7 initial claims and 302 continued claims were processed. An estimated 3 layoffs were prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 136 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week an increase of 24 from the previous week and a decrease of 2 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 970 initial claims and 7,114 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 5,763 TDI files claimed

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 970 TDI initial claims, 195 (20.1%) were TCI Claims. This week 460 TCI payments were issued totaling \$258,328. The average weekly TCI payment was \$562. Of the 5,763 TDI claims filed in 2019, 1,440 or 25.0% were TCI claims.

					TOTAL - Initial and Continued Claims			
_	Initial Claims			Continued	Current	Previous	Year	Two Years
	<u>Total</u>	New	Additional	<u>Claims</u>	Week	<u>Week</u>	<u>Ago</u>	<u>Ago</u>
Total - All programs*	912	673	239	12,577	13,489	14,241	14,087	14,164
UI Claims	885	654	231	11,865	12,750	13,440	13,127	13,537
Change from:								
Previous Week	-556	-452	-104	-134	-690			
Year Ago	-4	10	-14	-373	-377			
Two Years Ago	-45	-2	-43	-742	-787			
Interstate-Liable	20	12	8	410	430	421	457	501
Workshare	7	7	0	302	309	380	503	126
Workshare Equivalency	3	3	0	69	72	91	124	44
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	136	136	112	138	138
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	970	744	226	7,114	8,084	8,353	8,093	7,116
Change from:								
Previous Week	108	89	19	-377	-269			
Year Ago	12	10	2	-21	-9			

^{*} 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.

