



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: January 5, 2019

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 2,303 initial claims were processed during the week ending 1/5/19, a decrease of 1,241 from the previous week, and an increase of 380 from a year ago.

Continued Claims – 11,492 continued claims were processed during the week of 1/5/19, an increase of 3,255 from the previous week and a decrease of 482 from a year 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, 26 initial claims and 106 continued claims were processed. An estimated 11 layoffs were prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 155 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week an increase of 32 from the previous week and a decrease of 26 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 978 initial claims and 6,349 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$517 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.1 weeks per new claim. During the year 2018, there were 47,928 TDI files claimed

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 978 TDI initial claims, 237 (24.2%) were TCI Claims. This week 393 TCI payments were issued totaling \$226,487. The average weekly TCI payment was \$576. Of the 47,928 TDI claims filed in 2018, 12,279 or 25.6% 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*	2,363	1,424	939	12,008	14,371	12,389	14,368	15,442
UI Claims	2,303	1,382	921	11,492	13,795	11,781	13,897	14,879
Change from:								
Previous Week	-1,241	-105	-1,136	3,255	2,014			
Year Ago	380	203	177	-482	-102			
Two Years Ago	353	210	143	-1,437	-1,084			
Interstate-Liable	34	18	16	410	444	435	412	482
Workshare	26	24	2	106	132	173	59	81
Workshare Equivalency	11	11	0	32	43	43	12	24
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	155	155	123	181	174
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	978	733	245	6,349	7,327	6,948	6,953	7,046
Change from:								
Previous Week	357	273	84	22	379			
Year Ago	333	263	70	41	374			

* 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