



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: December 22, 2018

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 1,845 initial claims were processed during the week ending 12/22/18, an increase of 559 from the previous week, and a decrease of 384 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 4.7 percent from last year and down 12.0 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 7,681 continued claims were processed during the week of 12/22/18, an increase of 318 from the previous week and a decrease of 553 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 6.1 percent from last year and down 8.5 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, 12 initial claims and 457 continued claims were processed. An estimated 5 layoffs were averted this week, as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 132 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week a decrease of 24 from the previous week and a decrease of 19 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 882 initial claims and 7,420 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$504 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.2 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 47,307 TDI initial claims filed.

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 882 TDI initial claims, 233 (26.4%) were TCI Claims. This week 496 TCI payments were issued totaling \$266,306. The average weekly TCI payment was \$537. Of the 47,307 TDI claims filed in 2018, 12,064 or 25.5% 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*	1,892	1,024	868	8,560	10,452	9,246	11,125	11,582
UI Claims	1,845	999	846	7,681	9,526	8,649	10,463	10,898
Change from:								
Previous Week	559	256	303	318	877			
Year Ago	-384	-120	-264	-553	-937			
Two Years Ago	-535	-195	-340	-837	-1,372			
Interstate-Liable	35	17	18	422	457	467	437	443
Workshare	12	8	4	457	469	130	225	241
Workshare Equivalency	5	4	1	100	105	36	57	47
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	132	132	156	151	141
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	882	674	208	7,420	8,302	8,845	8,415	8,386
Change from:								
Previous Week	-384	-274	-110	-159	-543			
Year Ago	169	157	12	-282	-113			

* 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.