

## Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

## Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: December 1, 2018

## **Unemployment Insurance**

**Initial Claims** – 1,287 initial claims were processed during the week ending 12/1/18, an increase of 298 from the previous week, and an increase of 118 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 3.9 percent from last year and down 11.8 percent from two years ago.

**Continued Claims** – 6,774 continued claims were processed during the week of 12/1/18, an increase of 627 from the previous week and a decrease of 215 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 6.2 percent from last year and down 8.4 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, 2 initial claims and 174 continued claims were processed.

**Exhaustions** – 132 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week an increase of 7 from the previous week and a decrease of 14 from a year ago.

## Temporary Disability Insurance

**Temporary Disability Insurance** – 782 initial claims and 7,083 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$513 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.2 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 44,343 TDI initial claims filed.

**Temporary Caregiver Insurance** – Of the 782 TDI initial claims, 249 (31.8%) were TCI Claims. This week 499 TCI payments were issued totaling \$280,475. The average weekly TCI payment was \$562. Of the 44,343 TDI claims filed in 2018, 11,320 or 25.5% 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	Week	<u>Ago</u>	<u>Ago</u>
Total - All programs*	1,334	857	477	7,379	8,713	7,950	9,000	9,591
UI Claims	1,287	824	463	6,774	8,061	7,136	8,158	8,996
Change from:				1				
Previous Week	298	263	35	627	925			
Year Ago	118	105	13	-215	-97			
Two Years Ago	63	97	-34	-998	-935			
Interstate-Liable	45	31	14	431	476	455	416	471
Workshare	2	2	0	174	176	359	426	124
Workshare Equivalency	1	1	0	51	52	103	129	43
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	132	132	125	146	143
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	782	574	208	7,083	7,865	6,957	8,247	8,136
Change from:								
Previous Week	-129	-141	12	1,037	908			
Year Ago	-173	-155	-18	-209	-382			

<sup>\*</sup> 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.

