



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: October 20, 2018

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 831 initial claims were processed during the week ending 10/20/18, an increase of 49 from the previous week, and an increase of 97 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 4.0 percent from last year and down 11.9 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 5,603 continued claims were processed during the week of 10/20/18, an increase of 171 from the previous week and a decrease of 372 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 6.3 percent from last year and down 8.1 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, 16 initial claims and 399 continued claims were processed. An estimated 7 layoffs were prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 140 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week an increase of 3 from the previous week and an increase of 17 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 871 initial claims and 6,831 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$505 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.2 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 39,189 TDI initial claims filed.

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 871 TDI initial claims, 258 (29.6%) were TCI Claims. This week 493 TCI payments were issued totaling \$286,114. The average weekly TCI payment was \$580. Of the 39,189 TDI claims filed in 2018, 10,011 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*	882	646	236	6,359	7,241	6,880	7,439	7,750
UI Claims	831	610	221	5,603	6,434	6,214	6,709	7,051
Change from:								
Previous Week	49	50	-1	171	220			
Year Ago	97	118	-21	-372	-275			
Two Years Ago	95	136	-41	-712	-617			
Interstate-Liable	35	20	15	357	392	351	346	392
Workshare	16	16	0	399	415	315	384	307
Workshare Equivalency	7	7	0	86	93	77	96	89
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	140	140	137	123	141
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	871	682	189	6,831	7,702	6,744	7,909	8,968
Change from:								
Previous Week	-55	-37	-18	1,013	958			
Year Ago	-79	-38	-41	-128	-207			

* 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.