

Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: October 6, 2018

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 671 initial claims were processed during the week ending 10/6/18, an increase of 63 from the previous week, and a decrease of 91 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 4.5 percent from last year and down 12.6 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims -5,406 continued claims were processed during the week of 10/6/18, a decrease of 272 from the previous week and a decrease of 595 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 6.3 percent from last year and down 8.0 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, 10 initial claims and 343 continued claims were processed. An estimated 3 layoffs were prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 117 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week a decrease of 30 from the previous week and a decrease of 27 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 902 initial claims and 7,230 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 10.3 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 37,392 TDI initial claims filed.

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 902 TDI initial claims, 239 (26.5%) were TCI Claims. This week 528 TCI payments were issued totaling \$301,795. The average weekly TCI payment was \$572. Of the 37,392 TDI claims filed in 2018, 9,556 or 25.6% 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* | 703 | 463 | 240 | 6,090 | 6,793 | 6,873 | 7,423 | 7,880 |
| UI Claims | 671 | 443 | 228 | 5,406 | 6,077 | 6,286 | 6,763 | 7,220 |
| Change from: | | | | | | | | |
| Previous Week | 63 | 40 | 23 | -272 | -209 | | | |
| Year Ago | -91 | -111 | 20 | -595 | -686 | | | |
| Two Years Ago | -178 | -112 | -66 | -965 | -1,143 | | | |
| Interstate-Liable | 22 | 10 | 12 | 341 | 363 | 353 | 337 | 386 |
| Workshare | 10 | 10 | 0 | 343 | 353 | 234 | 323 | 274 |
| Workshare Equivalency | 3 | 3 | 0 | 78 | 81 | 54 | 76 | 75 |
| UI Exhaustions | - | - | - | 117 | 117 | 147 | 144 | 132 |
| TDI Claims (Includes TCI) | 902 | 676 | 226 | 7,230 | 8,132 | 8,749 | 8,479 | 8,493 |
| Change from: | | | | | | | | |
| Previous Week | -66 | -68 | 2 | -551 | -617 | | | |
| Year Ago | -73 | -64 | -9 | -274 | -347 | | | |

* 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.

