

Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: September 29, 2018

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 608 initial claims were processed during the week ending 9/29/18, a decrease of 24 from the previous week, and a decrease of 68 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 4.4 percent from last year and down 12.5 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 5,678 continued claims were processed during the week of 9/29/18, a decrease of 355 from the previous week and a decrease of 463 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 6.2 percent from last year and down 7.9 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, 1 initial claim and 233 continued claims were processed.

Exhaustions – 147 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week a decrease of 6 from the previous week and no change from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 968 initial claims and 7,781 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$507 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.3 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 36,490 TDI initial claims filed.

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 968 TDI initial claims, 266 (27.5%) were TCI Claims. This week 500 TCI payments were issued totaling \$280,661. The average weekly TCI payment was \$561. Of the 36,490 TDI claims filed in 2018, 9,317 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	Ago	<u>Ago</u>
Total - All programs*	627	414	213	6,246	6,873	7,359	7,386	7,824
UI Claims	608	403	205	5,678	6,286	6,665	6,817	7,069
Change from:								
Previous Week	-24	-27	3	-355	-379			
Year Ago	-68	-35	-33	-463	-531			
Two Years Ago	-65	-4	-61	-718	-783			
Interstate-Liable	18	10	8	335	353	359	363	395
Workshare	1	1	0	233	234	335	206	360
Workshare Equivalency	0	0	0	54	54	73	59	102
UI Exhaustions	-		-	147	147	153	147	119
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	968	744	224	7,781	8,749	8,850	8,486	8,377
Change from:								
Previous Week	48	48	0	-149	-101			
Year Ago	-2	11	-13	265	263			

^{*} 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.

