

Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: September 22, 2018

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 632 initial claims were processed during the week ending 9/22/18, a decrease of 122 from the previous week, and a decrease of 150 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 4.3 percent from last year and down 12.5 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 6,033 continued claims were processed during the week of 9/22/18, an increase of 132 from the previous week and a decrease of 140 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 6.2 percent from last year and down 7.8 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, 91 initial claims and 244 continued claims were processed. An estimated 19 layoffs were prevented this week as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 153 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week an increase of 33 from the previous week and an increase of 37 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 920 initial claims and 7,930 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$499 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.3 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 35,522 TDI initial claims filed.

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 920 TDI initial claims, 280 (30.4%) were TCI Claims. This week 678 TCI payments were issued totaling \$381,569. The average weekly TCI payment was \$563. Of the 35,522 TDI claims filed in 2018, 9,051 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* | 742 | 526 | 216 | 6,617 | 7,359 | 7,432 | 7,651 | 8,106 |
| UI Claims | 632 | 430 | 202 | 6,033 | 6,665 | 6,655 | 6,955 | 7,298 |
| Change from: | | | | | | | | |
| Previous Week | -122 | -38 | -84 | 132 | 10 | | | |
| Year Ago | -150 | -85 | -65 | -140 | -290 | | | |
| Two Years Ago | -45 | 7 | -52 | -588 | -633 | | | |
| Interstate-Liable | 19 | 13 | 6 | 340 | 359 | 344 | 363 | 386 |
| Workshare | 91 | 83 | 8 | 244 | 335 | 433 | 333 | 422 |
| Workshare Equivalency | 19 | 17 | 2 | 54 | 73 | 103 | 76 | 100 |
| UI Exhaustions | - | | - | 153 | 153 | 120 | 116 | 151 |
| TDI Claims (Includes TCI) | 920 | 696 | 224 | 7,930 | 8,850 | 12,116 | 9,285 | 9,247 |
| Change from: | | | | | | | | |
| Previous Week | -324 | -244 | -80 | -2,942 | -3,266 | | | |
| Year Ago | -21 | -29 | 8 | -414 | -435 | | | |

^{*} Includes UI, Workshare & Interstate Liable.

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