

Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: September 15, 2018

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 754 initial claims were processed during the week ending 9/15/18, an increase of 132 from the previous week, and a decrease of 64 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 4.0 percent from last year and down 12.6 percent from two years ago.

- **Continued Claims** 5,901 continued claims were processed during the week of 9/15/18, a decrease of 1,029 from the previous week and a decrease of 327 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 6.3 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, 6 initial claims and 427 continued claims were processed.
- **Exhaustions** 120 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week a decrease of 16 from the previous week and a decrease of 9 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 1,244 initial claims and 10,872 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$504 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.3 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 34,602 TDI initial claims filed.

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 1,244 TDI initial claims, 339 (27.3%) were TCI Claims. This week 715 TCI payments were issued totaling \$388,477. The average weekly TCI payment was \$543. Of the 34,602 TDI claims filed in 2018, 8,771 or 25.3% 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	Ago
Total - All programs*	779	483	296	6,653	7,432	8,188	7,621	8,194
UI Claims	754	468	286	5,901	6,655	7,552	7,046	7,457
Change from:								
Previous Week	132	68	64	-1,029	-897			
Year Ago	-64	-64	0	-327	-391			
Two Years Ago	-26	-36	10	-776	-802			
Interstate-Liable	19	11	8	325	344	346	350	437
Workshare	6	4	2	427	433	290	225	300
Workshare Equivalency	1	1	0	102	103	73	66	79
UI Exhaustions	-		-	120	120	136	129	159
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	1,244	940	304	10,872	12,116	7,118	10,444	8,454
Change from:								
Previous Week	488	359	129	4,510	4,998			
Year Ago	253	171	82	1,419	1,672			

* 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.

