



## Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

# *Weekly Update of Claims Activity*

*Week Ending: September 8, 2018*

### *Unemployment Insurance*

**Initial Claims** – 622 initial claims were processed during the week ending 9/8/18, a decrease of 65 from the previous week, and a decrease of 80 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 3.9 percent from last year and down 12.8 percent from two years ago.

**Continued Claims** – 6,930 continued claims were processed during the week of 9/8/18, a decrease of 1,572 from the previous week and a decrease of 348 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 6.3 percent from last year and down 7.7 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, 13 initial claims and 277 continued claims were processed. An estimated 4 layoffs were averted this week, as a result of Workshare.

**Exhaustions** – 136 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week an increase of 29 from the previous week and a decrease of 25 from a year ago.

### *Temporary Disability Insurance*

**Temporary Disability Insurance** – 756 initial claims and 6,362 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$506 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.3 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 33,358.

**Temporary Caregiver Insurance** – Of the 756 TDI initial claims, 251 (33.2%) were TCI Claims. This week 388 TCI payments were issued totaling \$219,479. The average weekly TCI payment was \$566. Of the 33,358 TDI claims filed in 2018, 8,432 or 25.3% were TCI claims.

	Initial Claims			Continued Claims	TOTAL - Initial and Continued Claims			
	Total	New	Additional		Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago	Two Years Ago
<b>Total - All programs*</b>	645	417	228	7,543	8,188	9,907	8,709	8,792
<b>UI Claims</b>	622	400	222	6,930	7,552	9,189	7,980	8,062
Change from:								
Previous Week	-65	-10	-55	-1,572	-1,637			
Year Ago	-80	-63	-17	-348	-428			
Two Years Ago	-8	15	-23	-502	-510			
<b>Interstate-Liable</b>	10	9	1	336	346	395	367	422
<b>Workshare</b>	13	8	5	277	290	323	362	308
<b>Workshare Equivalency</b>	4	2	2	69	73	84	81	82
<b>UI Exhaustions</b>	-	.	-	136	136	107	161	153
<b>TDI Claims (Includes TCI)</b>	756	581	175	6,362	7,118	7,613	7,550	7,973
Change from:								
Previous Week	60	44	16	-555	-495			
Year Ago	-95	-63	-32	-337	-432			

\* Includes UI, Workshare & Interstate Liable.

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