



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: May 19, 2018

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 827 initial claims were processed during the week ending 5/19/18, an increase of 109 from the previous week, and a decrease of 2 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 4.0 percent from last year and down 16.2 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 6,547 continued claims were processed during the week of 5/19/18, a decrease of 183 from the previous week and a decrease of 840 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 6.1 percent from last year and down 6.3 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, 19 initial claims and 513 continued claims were processed. An estimated 8 layoffs were prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 149 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week an increase of 16 from the previous week and a decrease of 21 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 821 initial claims and 7,156 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$496 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.4 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 18,334 TDI claims filed.

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 821 TDI initial claims, 255 (31.1%) were TCI Claims. This week 514 TCI payments were issued totaling \$291,718. The average weekly TCI payment was \$568. Of the 18,334 TDI claims filed in 2018, 4,561 or 24.9% were TCI claims.

	Initial Claims			Continued Claims	TOTAL - Initial and Continued Claims			
	Total	New	Additional		Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago	Two Years Ago
Total - All programs*	866	554	312	7,349	8,215	8,130	9,116	9,575
UI Claims	827	524	303	6,547	7,374	7,448	8,216	8,586
Change from:								
Previous Week	109	45	64	-183	-74			
Year Ago	-2	40	-42	-840	-842			
Two Years Ago	-7	14	-21	-1,205	-1,212			
Interstate-Liable	20	14	6	289	309	300	337	423
Workshare	19	16	3	513	532	382	563	566
Workshare Equivalency	8	7	1	125	133	105	134	141
UI Exhaustions	-	.	-	149	149	133	170	165
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	821	646	175	7,156	7,977	7,665	8,169	8,371
Change from:								
Previous Week	-32	0	-32	344	312			
Year Ago	-185	-127	-58	-7	-192			

* 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.