



## Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

# *Weekly Update of Claims Activity*

**Week Ending: May 5, 2018**

### ***Unemployment Insurance***

**Initial Claims** – 682 initial claims were processed during the week ending 5/5/18, an increase of 45 from the previous week, and a decrease of 54 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 4.4 percent from last year and down 16.8 percent from two years ago.

**Continued Claims** – 7,224 continued claims were processed during the week of 5/5/18, a decrease of 2,331 from the previous week and a decrease of 906 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 5.7 percent from last year and down 5.5 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, 22 initial claims and 395 continued claims were processed. An estimated 5 layoffs were prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

**Exhaustions** – 184 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week an increase of 43 from the previous week and an increase of 24 from a year ago.

### ***Temporary Disability Insurance***

**Temporary Disability Insurance** – 838 initial claims and 7,307 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 16,660 TDI claims filed.

**Temporary Caregiver Insurance** – Of the 838 TDI initial claims, 222 (26.5%) were TCI Claims. This week 467 TCI payments were issued totaling \$252,358. The average weekly TCI payment was \$540. Of the 16,660 TDI claims filed in 2018, 4,063 or 24.4% 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>	719	497	222	7,937	8,656	10,945	9,620	10,288
<b>UI Claims</b>	682	466	216	7,224	7,906	10,192	8,866	9,209
Change from:								
Previous Week	45	95	-50	-2,331	-2,286			
Year Ago	-54	-55	1	-906	-960			
Two Years Ago	-43	1	-44	-1,260	-1,303			
<b>Interstate-Liable</b>	15	10	5	318	333	349	353	499
<b>Workshare</b>	22	21	1	395	417	404	401	580
<b>Workshare Equivalency</b>	5	5	0	99	104	90	100	149
<b>UI Exhaustions</b>	-	.	-	184	184	141	160	171
<b>TDI Claims (Includes TCI)</b>	838	644	194	7,307	8,145	8,277	8,013	8,007
Change from:								
Previous Week	-186	-144	-42	54	-132			
Year Ago	-64	-70	6	196	132			

\* 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.