



## Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

# *Weekly Update of Claims Activity*

**Week Ending: March 3, 2018**

### ***Unemployment Insurance***

**Initial Claims** – 842 initial claims were processed during the week ending 3/3/18, a decrease of 1,077 from the previous week, and a decrease of 10 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 3.2 percent from last year and down 20.9 percent from two years ago.

**Continued Claims** – 13,144 continued claims were processed during the week of 3/3/18, an increase of 1,104 from the previous week and a decrease of 915 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 3.4 percent from last year and down 4.0 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, 9 initial claims and 314 continued claims were processed. An estimated 4 layoffs were prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

**Exhaustions** – 141 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week an increase of 23 from the previous week and a decrease of 19 from a year ago.

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

**Temporary Disability Insurance** – 785 initial claims and 7,300 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 8,330 TDI claims filed.

**Temporary Caregiver Insurance** – Of the 785 TDI initial claims, 216 (27.5%) were TCI Claims. This week 453 TCI payments were issued totaling \$253,973. The average weekly TCI payment was \$561. Of the 8,330 TDI claims filed in 2018, 2,078 or 24.9% were TCI claims.

	<b>Initial Claims</b>			<b>Continued Claims</b>	<b>TOTAL - Initial and Continued Claims</b>			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>New</b>	<b>Additional</b>		<b>Current Week</b>	<b>Previous Week</b>	<b>Year Ago</b>	<b>Two Years Ago</b>
<b>Total - All programs*</b>	874	537	337	13,886	14,760	14,820	15,608	14,722
<b>UI Claims</b>	842	515	327	13,144	13,986	13,959	14,911	13,811
Change from:								
Previous Week	-1,077	-180	-897	1,104	27			
Year Ago	-10	-34	24	-915	-925			
Two Years Ago	-43	-63	20	218	175			
<b>Interstate-Liable</b>	23	14	9	428	451	445	461	593
<b>Workshare</b>	9	8	1	314	323	416	236	318
<b>Workshare Equivalency</b>	4	4	0	86	90	94	72	99
<b>UI Exhaustions</b>	-	.	-	141	141	118	160	149
<b>TDI Claims (Includes TCI)</b>	785	599	186	7,300	8,085	8,198	7,943	8,487
Change from:								
Previous Week	-25	-12	-13	-88	-113			
Year Ago	-128	-86	-42	270	142			

\* 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