



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: February 24, 2018

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 1,919 initial claims were processed during the week ending 2/24/18, an increase of 928 from the previous week, and a decrease of 242 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 3.3 percent from last year and down 21.8 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 12,040 continued claims were processed during the week of 2/24/18, a decrease of 216 from the previous week and a decrease of 886 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 3.0 percent from last year and down 4.7 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, 20 initial claims and 396 continued claims were processed. An estimated 4 layoffs were prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 118 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week a decrease of 8 from the previous week and a decrease of 46 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 810 initial claims and 7,388 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$497 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.3 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 7,545 TDI claims filed.

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 810 TDI initial claims, 215 (26.5%) were TCI Claims. This week 410 TCI payments were issued totaling \$231,348. The average weekly TCI payment was \$564. Of the 7,545 TDI claims filed in 2018, 1,862 or 24.7% 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*	1,960	728	1,232	12,860	14,820	14,113	15,902	16,887
UI Claims	1,919	695	1,224	12,040	13,959	13,247	15,087	16,047
Change from:								
Previous Week	928	46	882	-216	712			
Year Ago	-242	-172	-70	-886	-1,128			
Two Years Ago	637	-107	744	-2,725	-2,088			
Interstate-Liable	21	14	7	424	445	463	486	642
Workshare	20	19	1	396	416	403	329	198
Workshare Equivalency	4	4	0	90	94	122	100	53
UI Exhaustions	-	.	-	118	118	126	164	143
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	810	611	199	7,388	8,198	8,069	7,621	7,923
Change from:								
Previous Week	-109	-106	-3	238	129			
Year Ago	-82	-55	-27	659	577			

* 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.