



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: February 17, 2018

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 991 initial claims were processed during the week ending 2/17/18, an increase of 102 from the previous week, and a decrease of 207 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 1.6 percent from last year and down 28.5 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 12,256 continued claims were processed during the week of 2/17/18, an increase of 18 from the previous week and a decrease of 571 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 2.4 percent from last year and down 2.4 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, 32 initial claims and 371 continued claims were processed. An estimated 8 layoffs were prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 126 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week a decrease of 12 from the previous week and a decrease of 12 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 919 initial claims and 7,150 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$512 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.3 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 6,735 TDI claims filed.

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 919 TDI initial claims, 230 (25.0%) were TCI Claims. This week 416 TCI payments were issued totaling \$226,038. The average weekly TCI payment was \$543. Of the 6,735 TDI claims filed in 2018, 1,647 or 24.5% 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*	1,053	702	351	13,060	14,113	14,087	14,692	16,172
UI Claims	991	649	342	12,256	13,247	13,127	14,025	15,262
Change from:								
Previous Week	102	5	97	18	120			
Year Ago	-207	-102	-105	-571	-778			
Two Years Ago	-1,119	-135	-984	-896	-2,015			
Interstate-Liable	30	21	9	433	463	457	477	599
Workshare	32	32	0	371	403	503	190	311
Workshare Equivalency	8	8	0	114	122	124	42	97
UI Exhaustions	-	.	-	126	126	138	138	165
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	919	717	202	7,150	8,069	8,093	8,322	8,218
Change from:								
Previous Week	-39	-17	-22	15	-24			
Year Ago	-258	-187	-71	5	-253			

* 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.