



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training Initial Claims Statistics

June

Rhode Island workers filed a total of 7,494 initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits in June 2005, down 652 (-8.0%) from the 8,146 initial claims filed in June 2004.

Employees with an attachment to the Manufacturing (1,124) sector filed the greatest number of claims this month. The majority of these claims are due to the short-term closures typical of this sector during this time of year. The Accommodation & Food Services (907) sector came in second for the largest number of claims filed. These layoffs are mainly due to the shutdown of school lunch programs as a result of school vacation. There were also significant numbers of initial claims filed by individuals with attachments to the Health Care & Social Assistance sector (773) and the Transportation & Warehousing (708) sector.

At the major occupational level, workers classified in the Production (985) and Transportation & Material Moving (946) occupations filed the largest number of claims accounting for more than one-quarter of the June total. There were also significant numbers of initial claims filed by workers classified in Education, Training & Library (818) and Office & Administrative Support (817) occupations.

Initial Claims by Industry Sector

Industry	Claims	Percent
	7,494	100%
Agriculture/Forestry	2	0.0%
Mining	1	0.0%
Utilities	3	0.0%
Construction	339	4.5%
Manufacturing	1,124	15.0%
Wholesale Trade	145	1.9%
Retail Trade	412	5.5%
Transportation & Warehousing	708	9.4%
Information	49	0.7%
Finance & Insurance	214	2.9%
Real Estate	82	1.1%
Professional & Tech. Services	153	2.0%
Management of Companies	53	0.7%
Administrative & Waste Services	395	5.3%
Educational Services	415	5.5%
Health Care & Social Assistance	773	10.3%
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	94	1.3%
Accommodation & Food Services	907	12.1%
Other Services	190	2.5%
Public Administration	168	2.2%
Information Not Available	1,268	16.9%

Initial Claims by Occupation

Occupation	Claims	Percent
	7,494	100%
Management	443	5.9%
Business & Financial Operations	117	1.6%
Computer & Mathematical	51	0.7%
Architecture & Engineering	57	0.8%
Life, Physical & Social Science	25	0.3%
Community & Social Services	76	1.0%
Legal	19	0.3%
Education, Training & Library	818	10.9%
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports & Media	113	1.5%
Healthcare Practitioner & Technical	129	1.7%
Healthcare Support	125	1.7%
Protective Service	189	2.5%
Food Preparation & Serving Related	809	10.8%
Building & Grounds Cleaning & Maintenance	89	1.2%
Personal Care & Service	170	2.3%
Sales & Related	362	4.8%
Office & Administrative Support	817	10.9%
Farming, Fishing & Forestry	7	0.1%
Construction & Extraction	267	3.6%
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	160	2.1%
Production	985	13.1%
Transportation & Material Moving	946	12.6%
Military Specific	32	0.4%
Information Not Available	689	9.2%

Women filed sixty-two percent of the June claims and men filed thirty-eight percent. School Bus Drivers was the most often cited occupation for both men and women this month due to the school vacation period.

Forty-one percent of the claimants filing initial claims this month reported a high school diploma as their highest level of educational attainment. One-third of the claimants reported having education beyond high school, with twelve percent possessing a Bachelor's degree. Thirteen percent of the claimants filing did not have a high school diploma or GED.

