



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: February 22, 2014

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 2,789 initial claims were processed during the week ending 2/22/14, an increase of 755 from the previous week, and an increase of 217 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 0.3 percent from last year and down 0.8% from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 17,188 continued claims were processed during the week of 2/22/14, a decrease of 738 from the previous week and a decrease of 496 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 4.5 percent from last year and down 13.5 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, 24 initial claim and 407 continued claims were processed. There were 9 layoffs prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

Emergency Unemployment Compensation 08 – EUC08, which became effective July 6, 2008, provided federally funded benefits to eligible individuals who exhausted their UI claims. The EUC benefit program expired on December 28, 2013. DLT has asked individuals to continue to certify weekly in the event the program is reinstated by Congress.

Exhaustions – 275 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, a decrease of 6 from the previous week and a decrease of 63 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 1,139 initial claims and 6,742 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$451 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 11.0 weeks per new claim.

	<u>Initial Claims</u>			<u>Continued Claims</u>	<u>TOTAL - Initial and Continued Claims</u>			
	<u>Total</u>	<u>New</u>	<u>Additional</u>		<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Previous Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>	<u>Two Years Ago</u>
Total - All programs*	2,865	1,231	1,634	21,024	23,889	24,422	29,707	36,743
UI Claims	2,789	1,174	1,615	17,188	19,977	19,960	20,256	22,295
Change from:								
Previous Week	755	-148	903	-738	17			
Year Ago	217	-251	468	-496	-279			
Two Years Ago	-131	217	-348	-2,187	-2,318			
EUC08 Claims	3	2	1	2,729	2,732	3,079	8,334	12,109
Interstate-Liable	49	32	17	700	749	753	598	618
Workshare	24	23	1	407	431	630	519	1,721
Workshare Equivalency	9	9	0	100	109	151	132	460
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	275	275	281	338	444
EUC08 Exhaustions	-	-	-	2	2	0	96	193
TDI Claims	1,139	930	209	6,742	7,881	8,012	7,936	8,193
Change from:								
Previous Week	571	471	100	-702	-131			
Year Ago	475	416	59	-530	-55			

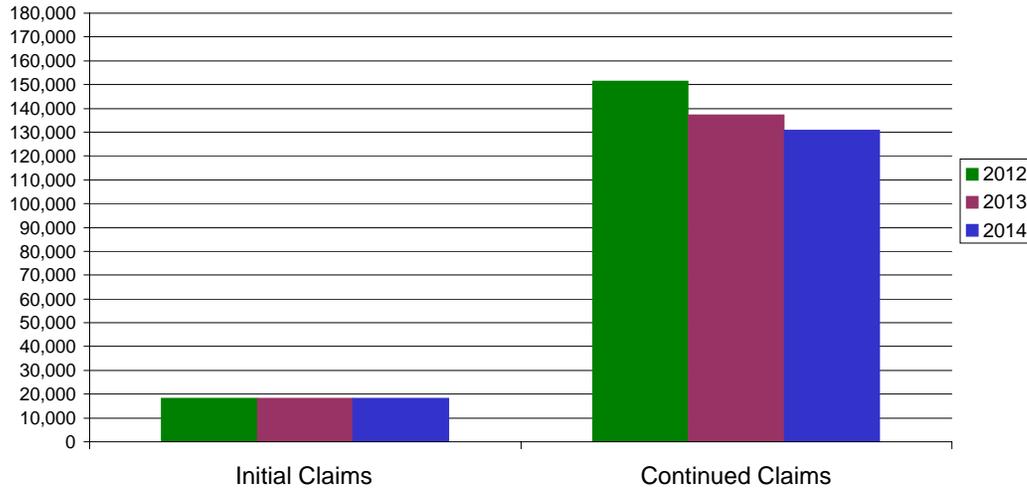
* Includes UI, EUC08, Workshare & Interstate Liable.

Equal Opportunity Employer / Program / Auxiliary aids and services available upon request to individuals with disabilities / TTY via RI Relay 711.

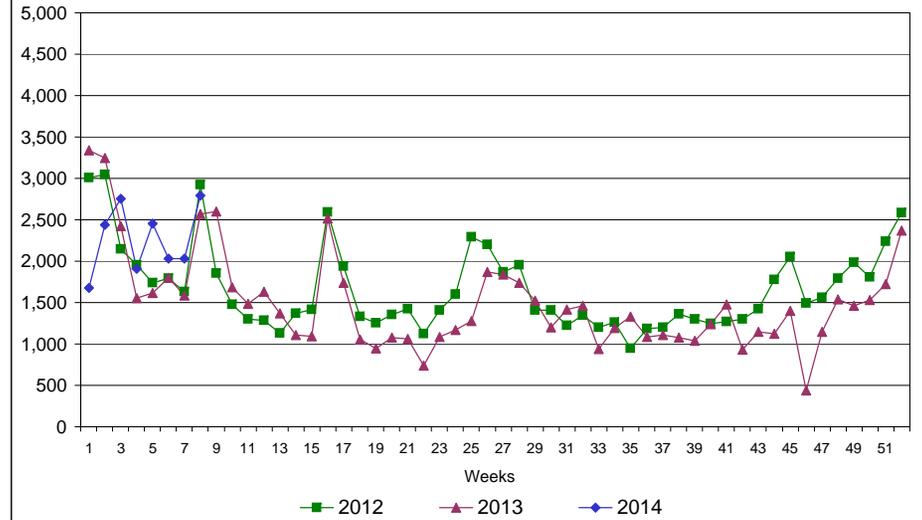
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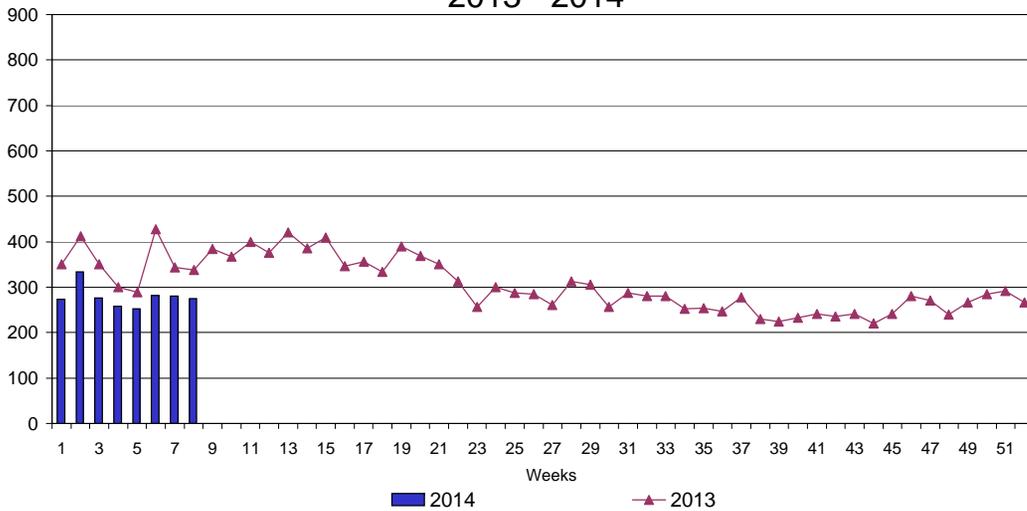
UI Claims Comparison Year to Date



UI Initial Claims 2012 - 2014



UI Exhaustions 2013 - 2014



TDI Claims Comparison Year to Date

