



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: March 21, 2015

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 1,161 initial claims were processed during the week ending 3/21/15, an increase of 215 from the previous week, and an increase of 25 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 12.0 percent from last year and down 15.5 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 14,137 continued claims were processed during the week of 3/21/15, a decrease of 190 from the previous week and a decrease of 1,956 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 13.1 percent from last year and down 17.0 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, 6 initial claims and 242 continued claims were processed. An estimated 2 layoffs were prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 235 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, an increase of 53 from the previous week and a decrease of 93 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 698 initial claims and 7,557 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$459 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.7 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 10,555 TDI initial claims filed.

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 698 TDI initial claims, 118 (16.9%) were TCI Claims. This week 335 TCI payments were issued totaling \$175,432. The average weekly TCI payment was \$524. Of the 10,555 TDI claims filed in 2015, 1,249 or 11.8% were TCI claims.

	<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*	1,193	753	440	14,934	16,127	16,109	18,364	19,683
UI Claims	1,161	732	429	14,137	15,298	15,273	17,229	18,688
Change from:								
Previous Week	215	207	8	-190	25			
Year Ago	25	-16	41	-1,956	-1,931			
Two Years Ago	-470	-224	-246	-2,920	-3,390			
Interstate-Liable	26	17	9	555	581	574	734	549
Workshare	6	4	2	242	248	262	401	446
Workshare Equivalency	2	1	1	55	57	70	161	122
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	235	235	182	328	376
TDI Claims (Includes TCI)	698	535	163	7,557	8,255	8,094	8,253	7,436
Change from:								
Previous Week	-207	-167	-40	368	161			
Year Ago	-85	-81	-4	87	2			

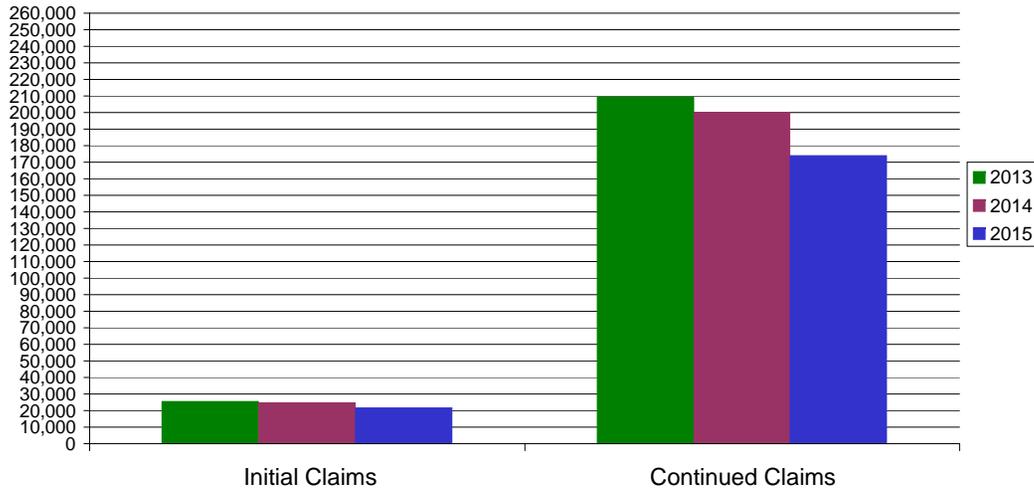
* Includes UI, EUC08, Workshare & Interstate Liable.

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

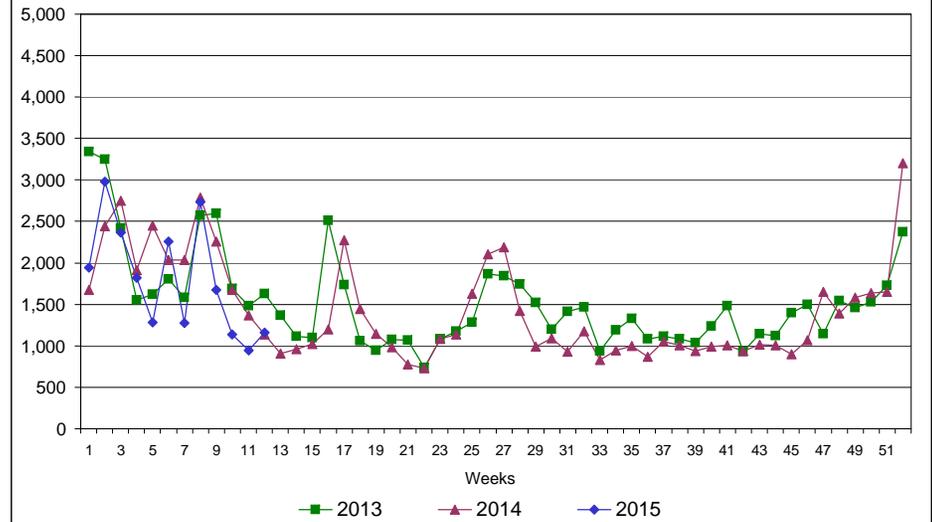
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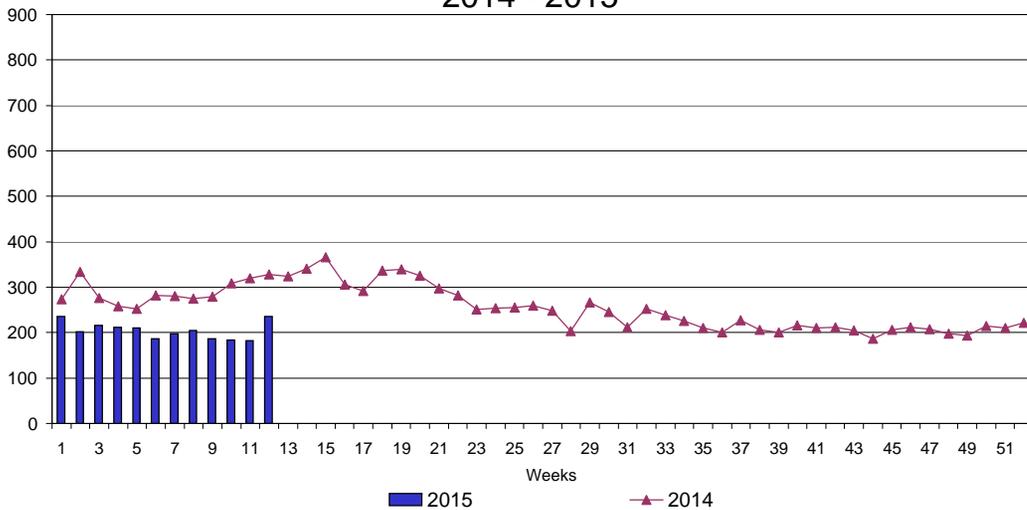
UI Claims Comparison Year to Date



UI Initial Claims 2013 - 2015



UI Exhaustions 2014 - 2015



TDI Claims Comparison Year to Date

