



***Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training***

***Weekly Update of Claims Activity***

***Week Ending: May 17, 2014***

***Unemployment Insurance***

**Initial Claims** – 982 initial claims were processed during the week ending 5/17/14, a decrease of 165 from the previous week, and a decrease of 95 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 5.5 percent from last year and down 5.7 percent from two years ago.

**Continued Claims** – 9,842 continued claims were processed during the week of 5/17/14, a decrease of 480 from the previous week and a decrease of 1,103 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 5.1 percent from last year and down 12.9 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, 3 initial claims and 246 continued claims were processed. There was 1 layoff prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

**Exhaustions** – 325 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, a decrease of 14 from the previous week and a decrease of 44 from a year ago.

***Temporary Disability Insurance***

**Temporary Disability Insurance** – 592 initial claims and 7,206 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$450 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.8 weeks per new claim.

**Temporary Caregiver Insurance** – Of the 592 TDI initial claims, 112 (18.9%) were TCI Claims. This week 309 TCI payments were issued totaling \$158,741. The average weekly TCI payment was \$514.

	<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>
<b>Total - All programs*</b>	1,013	611	402	10,552	11,565	12,436	13,024	15,880
<b>UI Claims</b>	982	595	387	9,842	10,824	11,469	12,022	13,992
Change from:								
Previous Week	-165	-180	15	-480	-645			
Year Ago	-95	-32	-63	-1,103	-1,198			
Two Years Ago	-369	-170	-199	-2,799	-3,168			
<b>Interstate-Liable</b>	28	13	15	464	492	570	472	485
<b>Workshare</b>	3	3	0	246	249	397	530	1,403
<b>Workshare Equivalency</b>	1	1	0	67	68	92	129	347
<b>UI Exhaustions</b>	-	-	-	325	325	339	369	478
<b>TDI Claims (Includes TCI)</b>	592	457	135	7,206	7,798	8,784	7,366	8,639
Change from:								
Previous Week	-551	-439	-112	-435	-986			
Year Ago	16	-9	25	416	432			

\* 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.