



## Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

# Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: June 18, 2011

### **Unemployment Insurance**

**Initial Claims** – 1,469 initial claims were processed during the week ending 6/18/11, an increase of 103 from the previous week, and a decrease of 293 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 11.0 percent below last year and down 33.7 percent from two years ago.

**Continued Claims** – 12,850 continued claims were processed during the week of 6/18/11, a decrease of 149 from the previous week and a decrease of 2,717 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 10.7 percent from a year ago and down 39.0 percent from two years ago.

**Workshare** – gives employers an alternative to layoffs by allowing employees to work reduced hours and collect a 89percentage of regular UI benefits to compensate for lost pay. This week, 7 initial claims and 868 continued claims were processed. An estimated 2 layoffs were prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

**Emergency Unemployment Compensation 08** – EUC08, which became effective July 6, 2008, provides up to 53 weeks of federally funded benefits to eligible individuals who exhausted their UI claims. This week there were 384 new EUC08 claims processed and 14,020 continued claims processed (6,078 under tier I, 3,868 under tier II, 2,938 under tier III and 1,136 under tier IV).

**Extended Benefits** – are payable to individuals who have exhausted UI or EUC08 claims. This week, 49 new EB claims and 1,437 continued EB claims were processed.

**Exhaustions** – 423 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, an increase of 7 from the previous week and a decrease of 105 from a year ago. There were 210 individuals that exhausted EUC08 and 53 individuals that exhausted EB.

### **Temporary Disability Insurance**

**Temporary Disability Insurance** – 896 initial claims and 6,785 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$433 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.7 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>
<b>Total - All programs*</b>	2,111	1,322	789	29,665	31,776	32,652	39,953	41,830
<b>UI Claims</b>	1,469	879	590	12,850	14,319	14,365	17,329	21,908
Change from:								
Previous Week	103	88	15	-149	-46			
Year Ago	-293	-99	-194	-2,717	-3,010			
Two Years Ago	-106	41	-147	-7,483	-7,589			
<b>EUC08 Claims</b>	548	384	164	14,020	14,568	14,809	15,844	11,560
<b>Extended Benefits</b>	61	49	12	1,437	1,498	1,571	4,501	3,532
<b>Interstate-Liable</b>	26	7	19	490	516	534	494	852
<b>Workshare</b>	7	3	4	868	875	1,373	1,785	3,978
<b>Workshare Equivalency</b>	2	1	1	213	215	351	440	937
<b>UI Exhaustions</b>	-	-	-	423	423	416	528	718
<b>EUC08 Exhaustions</b>	-	-	-	210	210	215	318	248
<b>EB Exhaustions</b>	-	-	-	53	53	67	38	77
<b>TDI Claims</b>	896	750	146	6,785	7,681	7,941	8,323	8,425
Change from:								
Previous Week	-21	-7	-14	-239	-260			
Year Ago	58	29	29	-700	-642			

\* Includes UI, EUC08, EB, Workshare & Interstate Liable.

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