



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: October 3, 2009

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 1,396 initial claims were processed during the week ending 10/3/09, an increase of 31 claims from the previous week, and a decrease of 85 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is running 22.5 percent above last year and up 32.2 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 16,025 continued claims were processed during the week of 10/3/09, a decrease of 814 from the previous week and an increase of 3,626 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is up 32.6 percent from a year ago and up 41.9 percent from two years ago.

Exhaustions – 576 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, a decrease of 46 from the previous week and an increase of 247 from a year ago. At this time exhaustions are running 44.5 percent above last year and 58.4 percent above 2007.

Workshare – gives employers an alternative to layoffs by allowing employees to work reduced work hours and collect a percentage of regular UI benefits to compensate for the lost pay. This week, 545 initial claims and 3,679 continued claims were processed. It is estimated that 127 layoffs were prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

Emergency Unemployment Compensation 08 – EUC08, which became effective July 6, 2008, provided up to thirteen weeks of federally funded benefits to eligible individuals who exhausted their UI claims. In November 2008, the program was expanded to provide up to twenty weeks of additional benefits in all states and a second tier of benefits was added which provided up to thirteen more weeks of benefits to states with high unemployment rates. This week there were 900 new EUC08 claims processed and 12,962 continued claims processed (9,323 under tier I and 3,639 under tier II).

Extended Benefits – are payable to individuals who have exhausted EUC08 claims. This week, 246 new EB claims and 2,887 continued EB claims were processed.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 859 initial claims and 6,914 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$427 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 11.1 weeks per new claim.

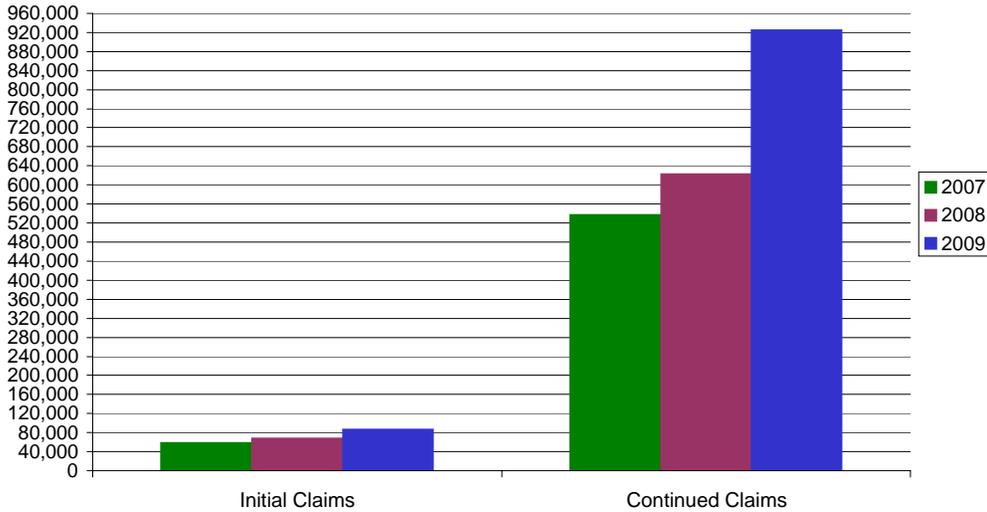
	Claims Activity							
	Initial Claims	New Claims	Additional Claims	Continued Claims	Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago	Two Years Ago
Total - All programs*	3,294	2,063	1,231	36,201	39,495	39,914	22,644	12,468
UI Claims	1,396	825	571	16,025	17,421	18,204	13,880	11,231
Change from:								
Previous Week	31	73	-42	-814	-783			
Year Ago	-85	-145	60	3,626	3,541			
Two Years Ago	338	163	175	5,852	6,190			
EUC08 Claims	1,062	900	162	12,962	14,024	13,921	6,521	
Extended Benefits	255	246	9	2,887	3,142	3,113	624	
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	576	576	622	329	237
Workshare	545	72	473	3,679	4,224	3,976	797	620
Workshare Equivalency	127	22	105	906	1,033	943	197	138
Interstate-Liable	36	20	16	648	684	700	822	617
IUR	-	-	-	-	4.66%	4.76%	3.19%	2.71%
TDI Claims	859	723	136	6,914	7,773	7,754	9,315	10,311
Change from:								
Previous Week	374	331	43	-355	19			
Year Ago	-348	-294	-54	-1,194	-1,542			

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

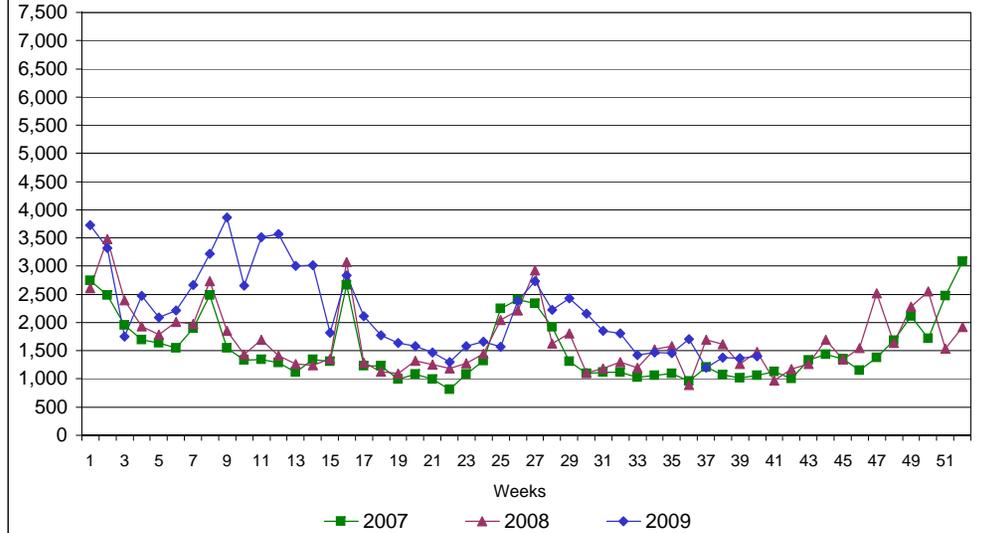
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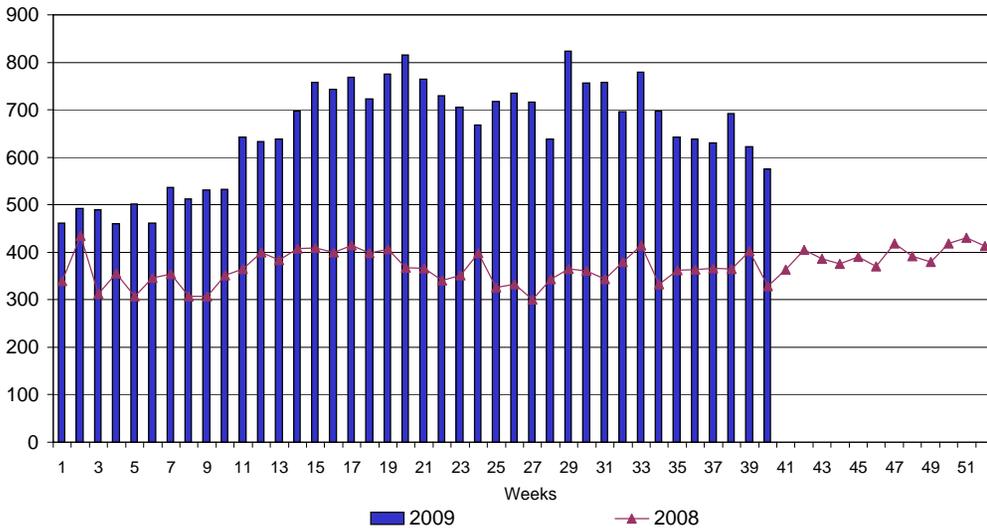
UI Claims Comparison Year to Date



UI Initial Claims 2006 - 2008



UI Exhaustions 2008 - 2009



TDI Claims Comparison Year to Date

