



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: November 7, 2009

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 1,832 initial claims were processed during the week ending 11/7/09, an increase of 277 claims from the previous week, and an increase of 485 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is running 22.0 percent above last year and up 31.2 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 15,121 continued claims were processed during the week of 11/7/09, a decrease of 73 from the previous week and an increase of 2,498 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is up 31.5 percent from a year ago and up 41.2 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, 270 initial claims and 2,772 continued claims were processed. An estimated 60 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 633 new EUC08 claims processed and 13,571 continued claims processed (9,491 under tier I and 4,080 under tier II).

Extended Benefits – are payable to individuals who have exhausted EUC08 claims. This week, 257 new EB claims and 2,995 continued EB claims were processed.

Exhaustions – 613 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, an increase of 77 from the previous week and an increase of 223 from a year ago. At this time exhaustions are running 43.8 percent above last year and 58.3 percent above 2007. There were 275 individuals that exhausted EUC08 and 142 individuals that exhausted EB.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 901 initial claims and 8,025 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$426 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 11.3 weeks per new claim.

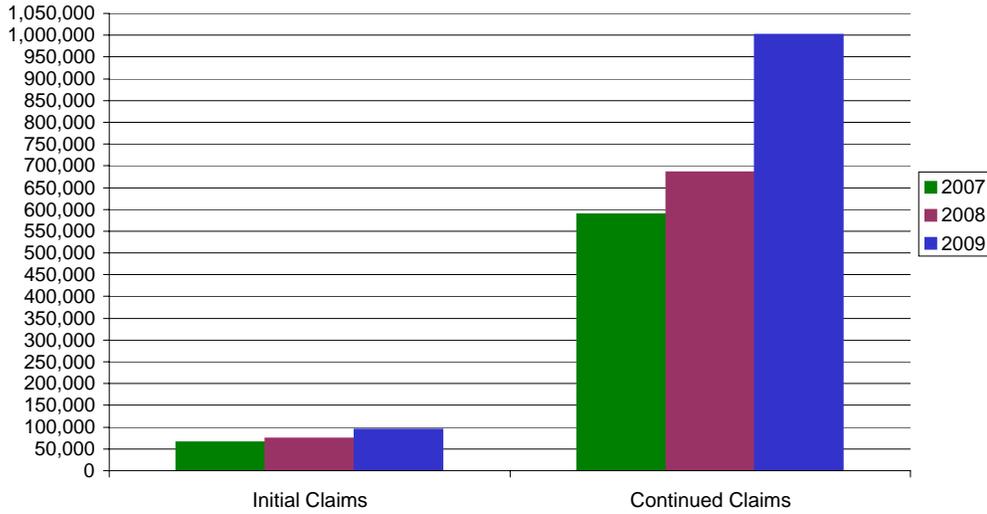
	Initial Claims	New Claims	Additional Claims	Continued Claims	Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago	Two Years Ago
Total - All programs*	3,305	1,955	1,350	35,144	38,449	38,451	21,912	13,051
UI Claims	1,832	1,016	816	15,121	16,953	16,749	13,970	12,064
Change from:								
Previous Week	277	155	122	-73	204			
Year Ago	485	180	305	2,498	2,983			
Two Years Ago	471	165	306	4,418	4,889			
EUC08 Claims	848	633	215	13,571	14,419	14,382	3,750	
Extended Benefits	273	257	16	2,995	3,268	3,206	2,190	
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	613	613	536	390	266
EUC08 Exhaustions	-	-	-	275	275	339	278	-
EB Exhaustions	-	-	-	142	142	145	24	-
Workshare	270	8	262	2,772	3,042	3,486	1,268	279
Workshare Equivalency	60	3	57	633	693	819	301	78
Interstate-Liable	82	41	41	685	767	628	734	708
TDI Claims	901	718	183	8,025	8,926	8,568	9,292	10,570
Change from:								
Previous Week	247	191	56	111	358			
Year Ago	114	68	46	-480	-366			

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

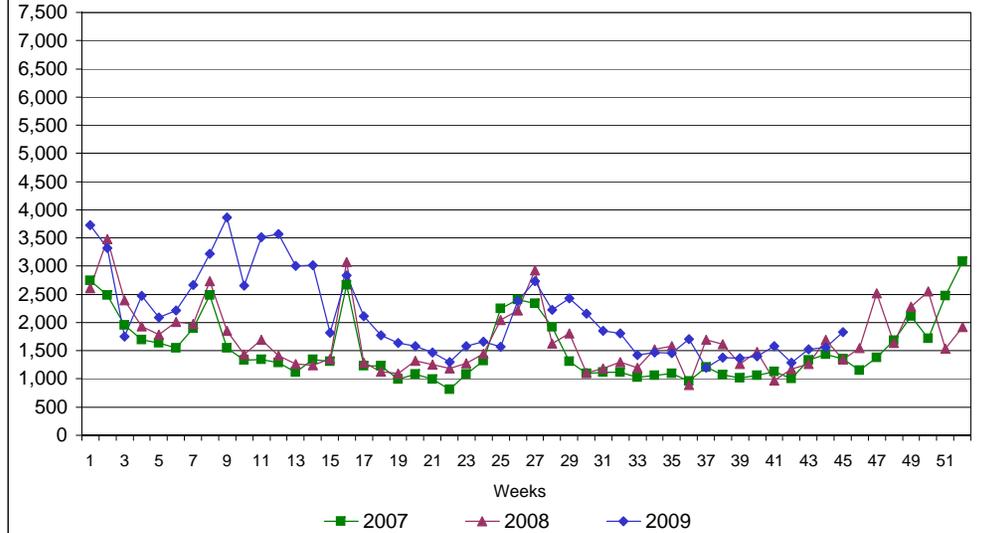
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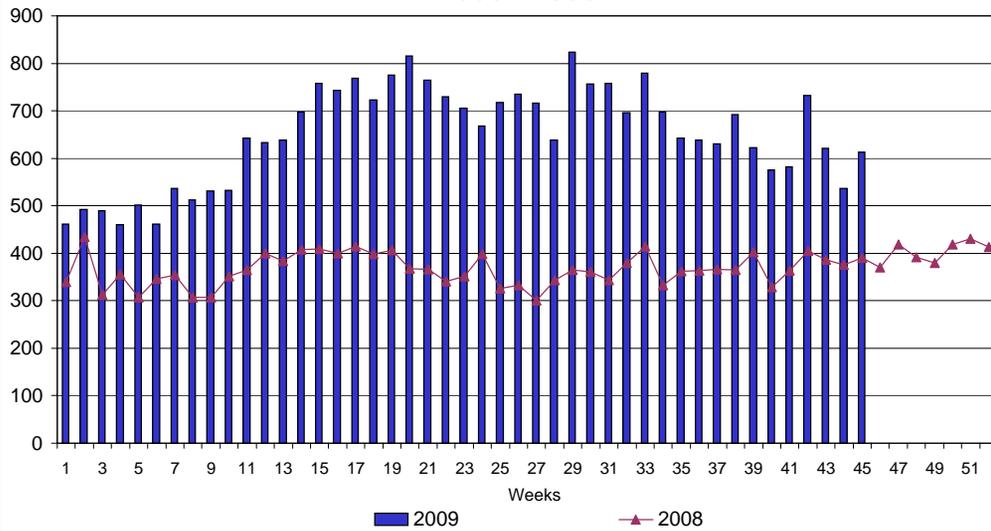
UI Claims Comparison Year to Date



UI Initial Claims 2006 - 2008



UI Exhaustions 2008 - 2009



TDI Claims Comparison Year to Date

