



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: November 27, 2010

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 1,839 initial claims were processed during the week ending 11/27/10, an increase 104 from the previous week, and an increase of 364 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 16.7 percent below last year and up 6.2 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 13,707 continued claims were processed during the week of 11/27/10, a decrease of 175 from the previous week and a decrease of 1,407 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 24.4 percent from a year ago and up 13.4 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, 235 initial claims and 1,769 continued claims were processed. An estimated 70 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 586 new EUC08 claims processed and 14,117 continued claims processed (6,608 under tier I, 3,146 under tier II, 2,733 under tier III and 1,630 under tier IV).

Extended Benefits – are payable to individuals who have exhausted UI or EUC08 claims. This week, 59 new EB claims and 3,085 continued EB claims were processed.

Exhaustions – 415 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, a decrease of 27 from the previous week and a decrease of 141 from a year ago. There were 145 individuals that exhausted EUC08 and 609 individuals that exhausted EB.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 613 initial claims and 7,159 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$430 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.8 weeks per new claim.

| | Initial Claims | New Claims | Additional Claims | Continued Claims | Current Week | Previous Week | Year Ago | Two Years Ago |
|------------------------------|----------------|------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------|---------------|----------|---------------|
| Total - All programs* | 3,001 | 1,699 | 1,302 | 33,268 | 36,269 | 36,681 | 44,722 | 26,142 |
| UI Claims | 1,839 | 992 | 847 | 13,707 | 15,546 | 15,617 | 16,589 | 16,888 |
| Change from: | | | | | | | | |
| Previous Week | 104 | -87 | 191 | -175 | -71 | | | |
| Year Ago | 364 | 245 | 119 | -1,407 | -1,043 | | | |
| Two Years Ago | 199 | -40 | 239 | -1,541 | -1,342 | | | |
| EUC08 Claims | 792 | 586 | 206 | 14,117 | 14,909 | 14,493 | 21,308 | 3,953 |
| Extended Benefits | 93 | 59 | 34 | 3,085 | 3,178 | 3,843 | 2,798 | 2,889 |
| UI Exhaustions | - | | | 415 | 415 | 442 | 556 | 391 |
| EUC08 Exhaustions | - | | | 145 | 145 | 122 | 0 | 255 |
| EB Exhaustions | - | | | 609 | 609 | 671 | 153 | 2 |
| Workshare | 235 | 48 | 187 | 1,769 | 2,004 | 2,077 | 3,380 | 1,531 |
| Workshare Equivalency | 70 | 17 | 53 | 436 | 506 | 498 | 763 | 350 |
| Interstate-Liable | 42 | 14 | 28 | 590 | 632 | 651 | 647 | 881 |
| TDI Claims | 613 | 487 | 126 | 7,159 | 7,772 | 8,346 | 7,447 | 8,645 |
| Change from: | | | | | | | | |
| Previous Week | -210 | -202 | -8 | -364 | -574 | | | |
| Year Ago | 219 | 163 | 56 | 106 | 325 | | | |

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

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