



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: November 28, 2009

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 1,475 initial claims were processed during the week ending 11/28/09, a decrease of 58 claims from the previous week, and a decrease of 165 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is running 19.6 percent above last year and up 29.9 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 15,114 continued claims were processed during the week of 11/28/09, a decrease of 756 from the previous week and a decrease of 134 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is up 30.4 percent from a year ago and up 40.6 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, 432 initial claims and 2,948 continued claims were processed. An estimated 83 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 1,732 new EUC08 claims processed and 19,332 continued claims processed (8,769 under tier I, 7,500 under tier II and 3,063 under tier III).

Extended Benefits – are payable to individuals who have exhausted EUC08 claims. This week, 7 new EB claims and 2,644 continued EB claims were processed.

Exhaustions – 556 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, a decrease of 21 from the previous week and an increase of 165 from a year ago. At this time exhaustions are running 43.1 percent above last year and 58.0 percent above 2007. There were no exhaustions for EUC08 and 153 individuals that exhausted EB.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 394 initial claims and 7,053 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$438 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.9 weeks per new claim.

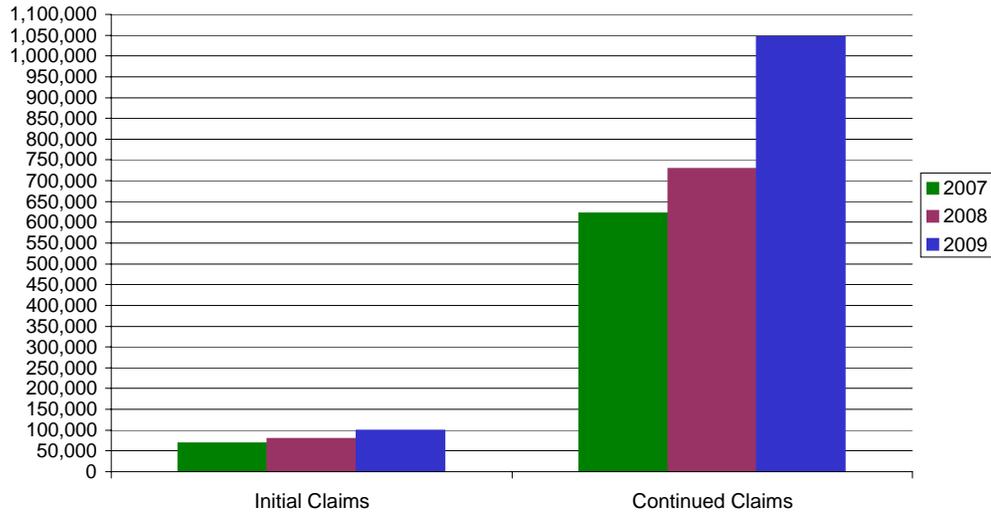
	Initial Claims	New Claims	Additional Claims	Continued Claims	Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago	Two Years Ago
Total - All programs*	4,087	2,575	1,512	40,634	44,721	40,232	26,042	15,332
UI Claims	1,475	747	728	15,114	16,589	17,403	16,888	13,952
Change from:								
Previous Week	-58	-140	82	-756	-814			
Year Ago	-165	-285	120	-134	-299			
Two Years Ago	-209	-282	73	2,846	2,637			
EUC08 Claims	1,975	1,732	243	19,332	21,307	15,783	3,853	
Extended Benefits	154	7	147	2,644	2,798	3,023	2,889	
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	556	556	577	391	258
EUC08 Exhaustions	-	-	-	0	0	0	255	-
EB Exhaustions	-	-	-	153	153	139	2	-
Workshare	432	70	362	2,948	3,380	3,350	1,531	501
Workshare Equivalency	83	18	65	680	763	794	350	124
Interstate-Liable	51	19	32	596	647	673	881	879
TDI Claims	394	324	70	7,053	7,447	8,321	8,645	9,793
Change from:								
Previous Week	-892	-738	-154	18	-874			
Year Ago	21	21	0	-1,219	-1,198			

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

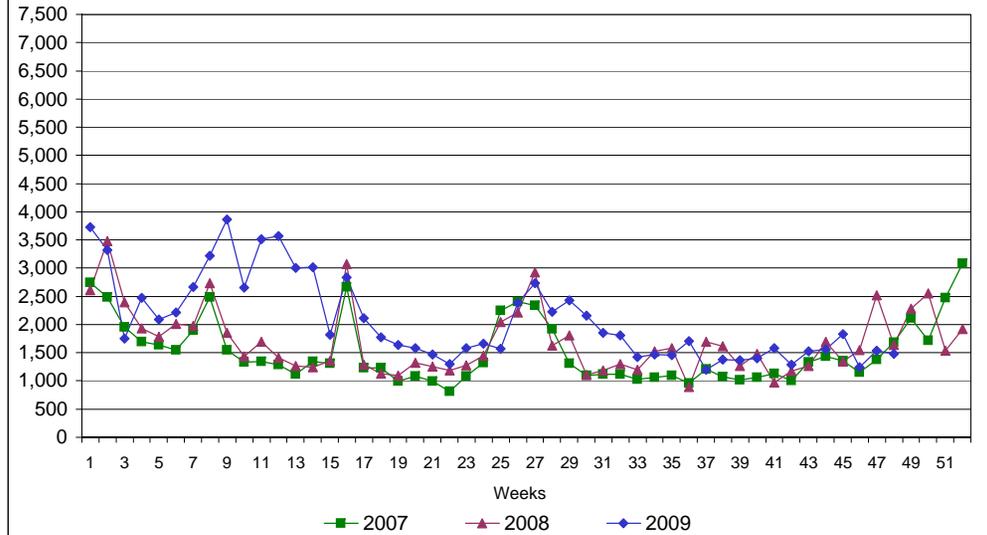
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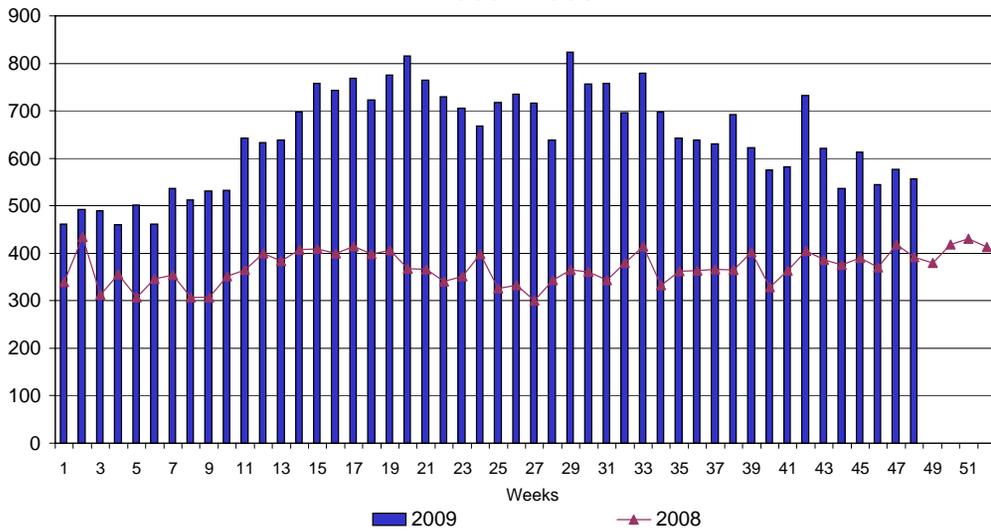
UI Claims Comparison Year to Date



UI Initial Claims 2006 - 2008



UI Exhaustions 2008 - 2009



TDI Claims Comparison Year to Date

