



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: December 12, 2009

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 2,087 initial claims were processed during the week ending 12/12/09, an increase of 149 claims from the previous week, and a decrease of 470 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is running 18.1 percent above last year and up 28.9 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 16,278 continued claims were processed during the week of 12/12/09, a decrease of 72 from the previous week and a decrease of 705 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is up 29.4 percent from a year ago and up 40.0 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, 700 initial claims and 3,065 continued claims were processed. An estimated 154 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 1,062 new EUC08 claims processed and 18,439 continued claims processed (8,719 under tier I, 5,064 under tier II and 4,656 under tier III).

Extended Benefits – are payable to individuals who have exhausted EUC08 claims. This week, 11 new EB claims and 2,445 continued EB claims were processed.

Exhaustions – 521 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, a decrease of 116 from the previous week and an increase of 102 from a year ago. At this time exhaustions are running 42.6 percent above last year and 57.8 percent above 2007. There were no exhaustions for EUC08 and 163 individuals that exhausted EB.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 1,263 initial claims and 8,239 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 10.8 weeks per new claim.

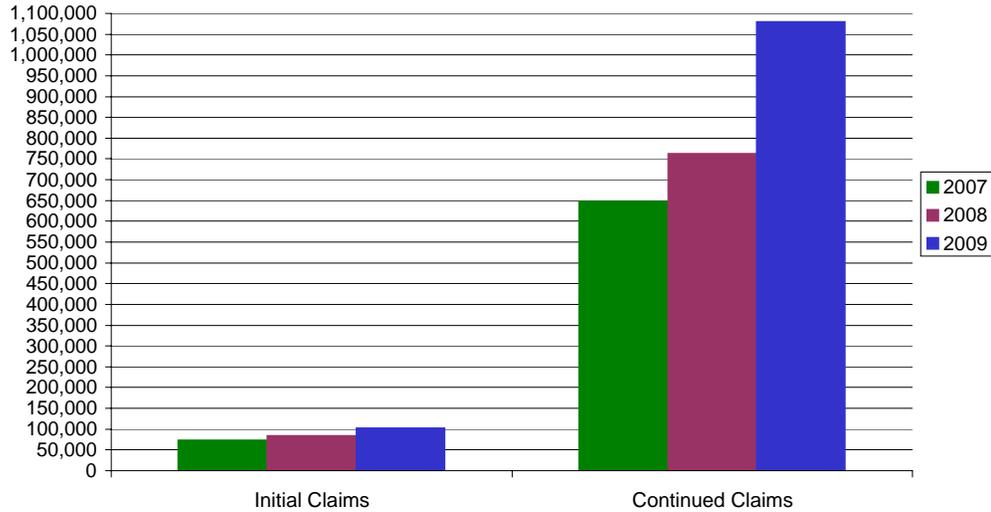
	Initial Claims	New Claims	Additional Claims	Continued Claims	Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago	Two Years Ago
Total - All programs*	4,211	2,035	2,176	40,902	45,113	44,229	30,722	16,133
UI Claims	2,087	945	1,142	16,278	18,365	18,288	19,540	14,848
Change from:								
Previous Week	149	-183	332	-72	77			
Year Ago	-470	-475	5	-705	-1,175			
Two Years Ago	371	-36	407	3,146	3,517			
EUC08 Claims	1,358	1,062	296	18,439	19,797	19,128	8,253	
Extended Benefits	36	11	25	2,445	2,481	2,664	174	
UI Exhaustions	-	-	-	521	521	637	419	309
EUC08 Exhaustions	-	-	-	0	0	0	13	-
EB Exhaustions	-	-	-	163	163	154	6	-
Workshare	700	4	696	3,065	3,765	3,306	1,867	413
Workshare Equivalency	154	1	153	880	1,034	779	447	105
Interstate-Liable	30	13	17	675	705	843	888	872
TDI Claims	1,263	1,038	225	8,239	9,502	8,289	10,205	10,812
Change from:								
Previous Week	668	556	112	545	1,213			
Year Ago	648	538	110	-1,351	-703			

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

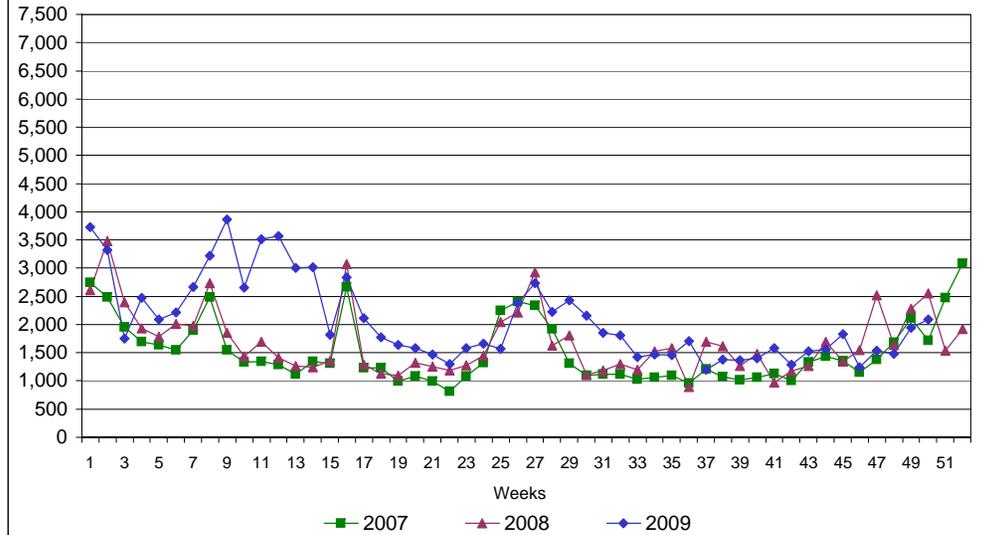
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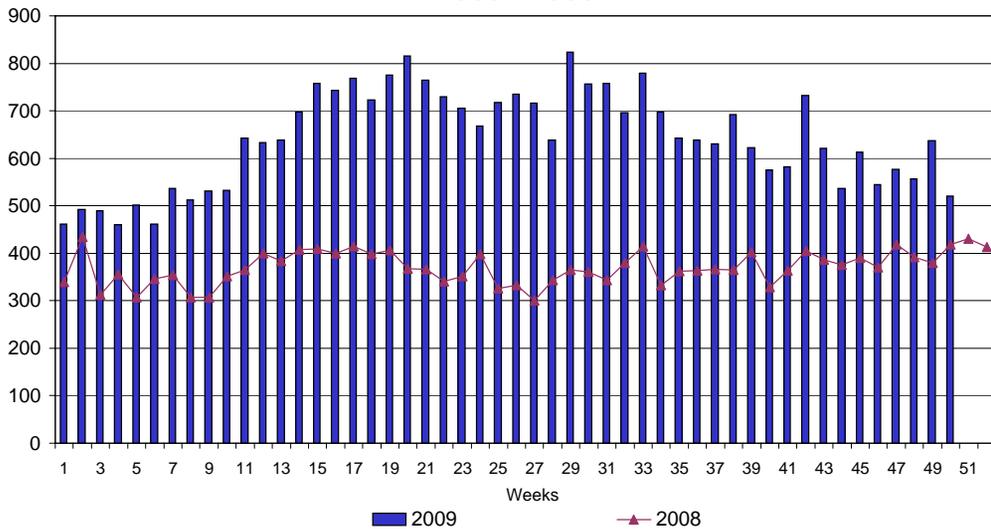
UI Claims Comparison Year to Date



UI Initial Claims 2006 - 2008



UI Exhaustions 2008 - 2009



TDI Claims Comparison Year to Date

