



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Weekly Update of Claims Activity

Week Ending: December 19, 2015

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 1,388 initial claims were processed during the week ending 12/19/15, a decrease of 57 from the previous week, and a decrease of 266 from a year ago. The number of initial claims filed to date is down 12.2 percent from last year and down 18.7 percent from two years ago.

Continued Claims – 8,533 continued claims were processed during the week of 12/19/15, an increase of 386 from the previous week and a decrease of 1,664 from a year ago. The number of continued claims filed to date is down 13.2 percent from last year and down 19.8 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, 5 initial claims and 186 continued claims were processed. An estimated 1 layoff was prevented this week, as a result of Workshare.

Exhaustions – 174 individuals exhausted their regular payments this week, a decrease of 1 from the previous week and a decrease of 36 from a year ago.

Temporary Disability Insurance

Temporary Disability Insurance – 791 initial claims and 7,524 continued claims were processed for Temporary Disability Insurance. The average weekly TDI payment is \$462 per week. Rhode Island is currently paying an average of 10.4 weeks per new claim. To date there have been 46,179 TDI initial claims filed.

Temporary Caregiver Insurance – Of the 791 TDI initial claims, 154 (19.5%) were TCI Claims. This week 375 TCI payments were issued totaling \$190,071. The average weekly TCI payment was \$507. Of the 46,179 TDI claims filed in 2015, 7,407 or 16.0% were TCI claims.

| | <u>Initial Claims</u> | | | <u>Continued Claims</u> | <u>TOTAL - Initial and Continued Claims</u> | | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|-------------------|-------------------------|---|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| | <u>Total</u> | <u>New</u> | <u>Additional</u> | | <u>Current Week</u> | <u>Previous Week</u> | <u>Year Ago</u> | <u>Two Years Ago</u> |
| Total - All programs* | 1,427 | 809 | 618 | 9,232 | 10,659 | 10,326 | 12,632 | 14,307 |
| UI Claims | 1,388 | 782 | 606 | 8,533 | 9,921 | 9,592 | 11,851 | 13,325 |
| Change from: | | | | | | | | |
| Previous Week | -57 | -118 | 61 | 386 | 329 | | | |
| Year Ago | -266 | -180 | -86 | -1,664 | -1,930 | | | |
| Two Years Ago | -338 | -58 | -280 | -3,066 | -3,404 | | | |
| Interstate-Liable | 34 | 22 | 12 | 513 | 547 | 544 | 585 | 657 |
| Workshare | 5 | 5 | 0 | 186 | 191 | 190 | 196 | 325 |
| Workshare Equivalency | 1 | 1 | 0 | 49 | 50 | 49 | 49 | 78 |
| UI Exhaustions | - | - | - | 174 | 174 | 175 | 210 | 292 |
| TDI Claims (Includes TCI) | 791 | 598 | 193 | 7,524 | 8,315 | 9,207 | 8,200 | 7,502 |
| Change from: | | | | | | | | |
| Previous Week | -289 | -235 | -54 | -603 | -892 | | | |
| Year Ago | 16 | 32 | -16 | 99 | 115 | | | |

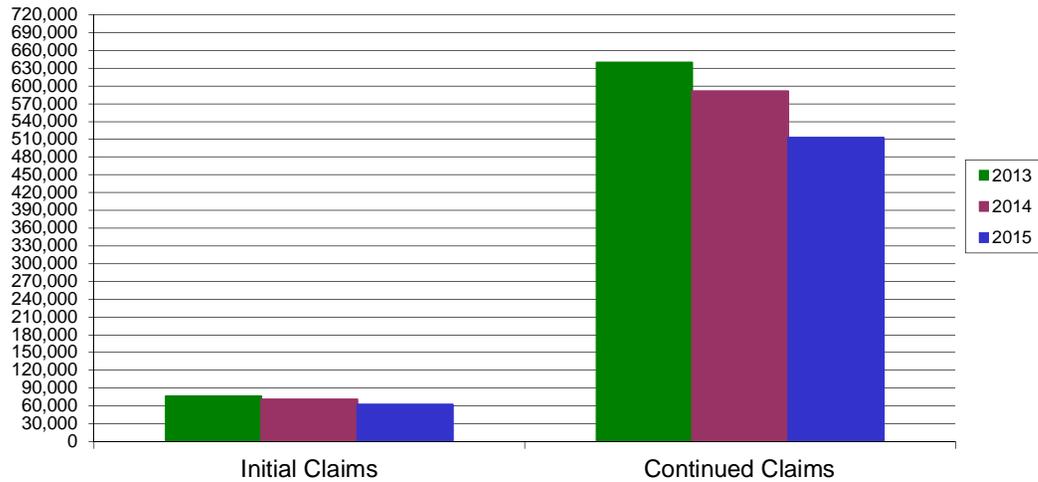
* Includes UI, Workshare & Interstate Liable.

Equal Opportunity Employer / Program / Auxiliary aids and services available upon request to individuals with disabilities / TTY via RI Relay 711.

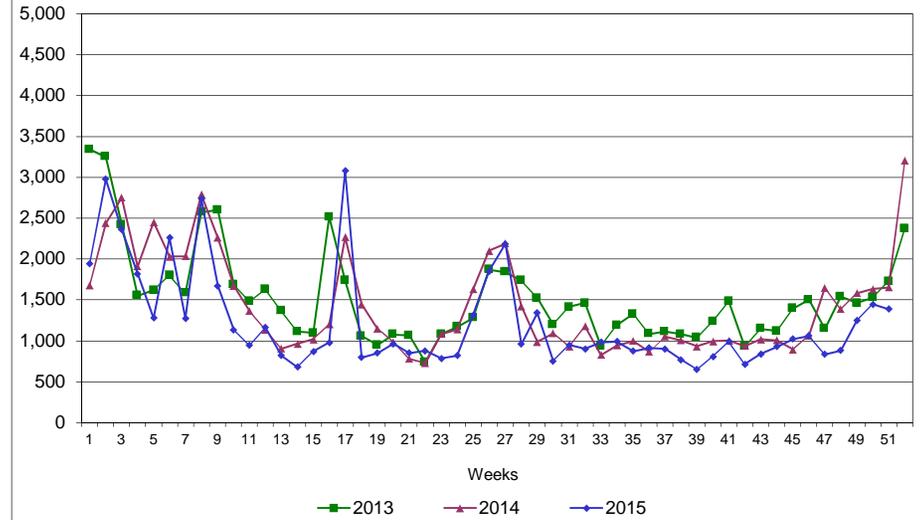
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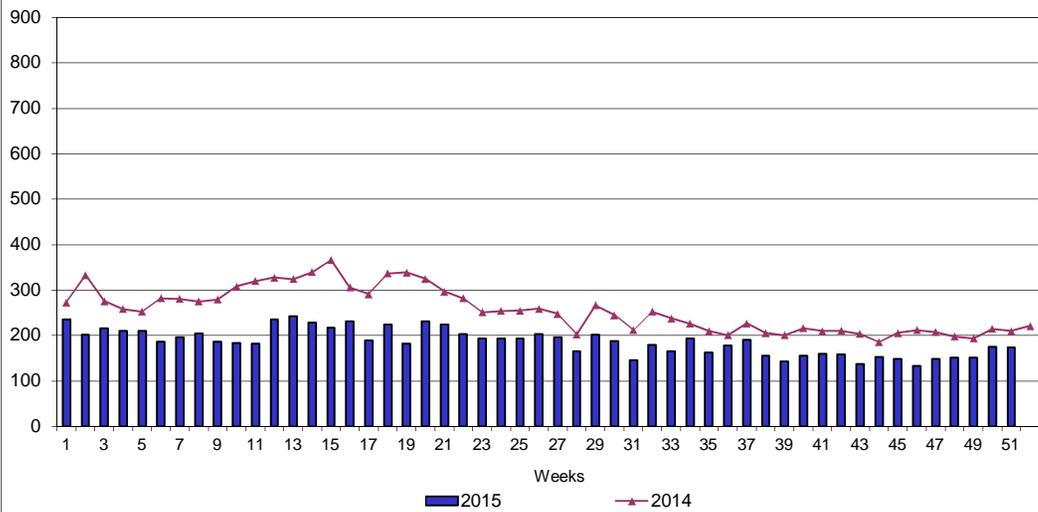
UI Claims Comparison Year to Date



UI Initial Claims 2013 - 2015



UI Exhaustions 2014 - 2015



TDI Claims Comparison Year to Date

