



Monthly Update

Month Ending: November 30, 2012

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims – 7,825 initial claims were processed during the month of November, an increase of 1,440 (22.6%) from the previous month, and a decrease of 11 (0.1%) from a year ago. Of the 7,825 initial claims processed this month, 476 (6.1%) were filed by customers who were not citizens of the U.S. Of the 4,945 monetary determinations issued in November, 705 (14.3%) were monetarily ineligible.

Weeks Claimed – 48,203 weeks claimed were processed during the month of November, a decrease of 4,042 (-7.7%) from the previous month and a decrease of 8,913 (-15.6%) from a year ago. There were 43,661 payments made in November, which resulted in payments totaling \$15.2 million. There were 5,555 (12.7%) partial payments issued in November 2012 compared to 6,040 (11.7%) last year. The average weekly benefit payment was \$347. The number of weekly benefit payments is averaging 16.8 weeks per claim.

Workshare – 131 initial claims were processed for Workshare benefits this month, a decrease of 146 (52.7%) from the previous month and a decrease of 298 (69.5%) from November 2011. It is estimated that 36 layoffs were averted this month as a result of Rhode Island's Workshare program.

First and Final Claims – 2,825 first payments and 1,437 final payments were issued in November 2012. The current exhaustion duration ratio is 49.5 percent.

Non-monetary Determinations – 1,464 non-monetary determinations were issued during the month of November 2012. Of the 1,464 determinations, 1,017 (69.5%) were separation issues and 447 (30.5%) were non-separation issues. Denials were issued for 470 (46.2%) separation issues and 426 (95.3%) non-separation issues.

Appeals – 485 appeal decisions were processed with the Board of Review in November 2012. Of the 485 processed, 397 (81.9%) were filed by UI applicants and 88 (18.1%) were filed by employers. The Board upheld the director's decision in nearly two-thirds of the cases.

Emergency Unemployment Compensation 08

Initial Claims – EUC08, which became effective July 6, 2008, provides up to 53 weeks of federally funded benefits to eligible individuals who exhausted their UI claims. There were 2,399 initial claims processed during the month of November, an increase of 194 (8.8%) from the previous month, and a decrease of 465 (-16.2%) from a year ago. Of the 1,084 monetary determinations issued 36 (3.3%) were monetarily ineligible.

Number of Payments -- There were 36,025 (15,050 under tier 1, 9,475 under tier 2, 6,311 under tier 3 and 5,189 under tier 4) payments issued in November, which resulted in payments totaling \$13.5 million. The average weekly benefit payment was \$375.

First and Final Claims – 2,835 first payments (989 under tier 1, 694 under tier 2, 525 under tier 3 and 627 under tier 4) and 3,132 final payments (947 under tier 1, 738 under tier 2, 924 under tier 3 and 523 under tier 4) were issued in November 2012. To date 89,533 individuals have collected EUC08 benefits.

Claims Summary

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	Current Month	Previous Month	Year Ago	Percent Change From		Year to Date	
				Previous Month	Year Ago	2012	2011
Initial Claims	7,825	6,385	7,836	22.6%	-0.1%	79,848	82,860
Monetary Determinations	4,945	3,565	5,142	38.7%	-3.8%	50,208	52,065
Monetary Ineligible	705	565	683	24.8%	3.2%	6,720	5,538
Weeks Claimed	48,203	52,245	57,116	-7.7%	-15.6%	706,733	790,262
Number of Payments	43,661	47,535	51,458	-8.1%	-15.2%	645,928	714,148
Amount of Payments	\$15,168,385	\$16,912,736	\$18,894,660	-10.3%	-19.7%	\$235,576,382	\$258,869,599
Average Payment	\$347	\$356	\$367	-2.4%	-5.4%	\$365	\$362
Partial Payments	5,555	5,656	6,040	-1.8%	-8.0%	71,231	79,104
Average Duration (12 Months)	16.8	16.8	17.0	0.1%	-1.0%	16.8	17.0
Exhaustion Ratio (12 Months)	49.5	49.8	54.3	-0.5%	-8.8%	49.5	54.3
First Payments	2,825	2,523	3,422	12.0%	-17.4%	37,954	41,217
Final Payments	1,437	1,548	1,633	-7.2%	-12.0%	20,079	22,952
Workshare Initial Claims	131	277	429	-52.7%	-69.5%	2,213	3,281
Workshare Equivalency	36	63	114	-42.9%	-68.4%	606	856
Workshare Continued Claims	2,163	3,414	5,557	-36.6%	-61.1%	42,657	58,243

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	Current Month	Previous Month	Year Ago	Percent Change From		Year to Date 2012	Since Program Began
				Previous Month	Year Ago		
Initial Claims	2,399	2,205	2,864	8.8%	-16.2%	25,499	157,852
Monetary Determinations	1,084	949	1,387	14.2%	-21.8%	13,289	90,837
Monetary Ineligible	36	25	44	44.0%	-18.2%	530	2,437
Number of Payments	36,025	42,959	52,816	-16.1%	-31.8%	491,748	2,809,416
Amount of Payments	\$13,499,382	\$16,167,413	\$19,498,023	-16.5%	-30.8%	\$181,914,804	\$1,028,425,986
Average Payment	\$375	\$376	\$369	-0.4%	1.5%	\$370	\$366
Average Duration (12 months)	38.3	38.8	40.3	-1.4%	-5.0%	38.3	31.4
First Payments (tier 1)	989	1,016	1,231	-2.7%	-19.7%	12,899	89,553
Final Payments (tier 1)	947	998	1,116	-5.1%	-15.1%	11,728	67,845
First Payments (tier 2)	694	761	813	-8.8%	-14.6%	8,825	57,819
Final Payments (tier 2)	738	906	1,086	-18.5%	-32.0%	10,189	58,169
First Payments (tier 3)	525	597	747	-12.1%	-29.7%	6,921	39,727
Final Payments (tier 3)	924	895	1,009	3.2%	-8.4%	9,798	41,302
First Payments (tier 4)	627	536	761	17.0%	-17.6%	6,634	32,484
Final Payments (tier 4)	523	358	1,035	46.1%	-49.5%	8,188	34,850