Labor Updates March 24, 2021

News

- KDOL updated its weekly FAQ last Friday. Click [here](#) for more information
- KDOL announced successful deployment of the American Rescue Plan Act. Click [here](#) for more information
- KDOL announced Lost Wages Assistance Program payment period extension. Click [here](#) for more information

Fraud Software Security Weekly Updates (Numbers are as of 4:30pm, 03/22/21)

- Total claimants attempting authentication: Approximately 167,500
- Claimants waiting for user action: Approximately 33,500
- Those claimants who were proofed/approved: Approximately 83,000
- Those who have failed their ID proofing and would need to do it again/get help: Approximately 50,300
- Those who experienced an error of some sort: Approximately 415
- In terms of BOTS and fraudulent login attempts we have stopped: Approximately 6.39M
- The number of deprovisioned users: Approximately 11,400
  - Deprovisioned users are deactivated accounts that are confirmed fraudulent

PUA Backlog

- In terms of legitimate PUA claims, as of 03/22/21, 19,137 claims are in the determination process, as it stands at this moment. Of those 12,900 claims are in verification/upload process for more than 21 days (which is when the claim is considered backlogged)

Weekly Claim Totals

- As of the week ending 03/20/21, initial and continued claims for PUA are 16,648
- As of the week ending 03/20/21, initial and continued claims for PEUC are 10,562
- As of the week ending 03/20/21, initial and continued claims for Regular UI are 13,987
- As of the week ending 03/20/21, regular unemployment insurance payments totaled $4,794,302
As of the week ending 03/20/21, federal program payments totaled $11,014,453

Weekly Trust Fund Numbers

- The trust fund balance for the week of 03/20/21 is at $258.3M, the week before (03/13/21), the balance was $258.2M. For the week 03/21/20 the balance was $984.8M, a -73.8% drop year-over-year

Weekly Initial Claims

- The regular UI weekly initial claims for the week of 03/20/21 were 2738. The week prior (week of 03/13/21) were 1412. This is an increase from last week of 93.9%.
- The weekly initial claim number for the week of 03/21/20 was 19,191. This is -85.7% year-over-year decrease.

Weekly Call Center Volume

- From 03/17/21 – 03/21/21, the total number of unique calls per day into the KDOL contact center was 136,532

Resources

- Report Fraud Website - https://www.dol.ks.gov/fraud

Since March 15, 2020 KDOL has paid out over 4.2 million weekly claims totaling over $2.8 billion between regular unemployment and the federal pandemic programs. For more information, or to apply for unemployment benefits, go to www.GetKansasBenefits.gov.

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