

Table 4. Average temporary disability days and claim costs paid for resolved accepted disabling claims by nature of injury or disease, Oregon, 2011

Nature of injury or disease	Claims resolved	Median temporary disability days	Mean temporary disability days	Average claim costs	Medical services	Indemnity	Temporary disability costs	PPD	CDA	DCS	Vocational assistance
Total	18,621	24	76	\$22,710	\$10,920	\$11,780	\$5,710	\$2,920	\$2,450	\$480	\$230
0 TRAUMATIC INJURIES	15,393	20	63	18,170	9,150	9,020	4,620	2,190	1,680	370	150
01 Trauma to bones, nerves, spinal cord	1,741	46	87	28,040	13,930	14,110	6,850	4,070	2,520	390	270
011 Dislocations	593	60	119	40,080	18,050	22,030	10,300	6,750	4,030	460	480
012 Fractures	1,146	40	70	21,720	11,800	9,920	4,960	2,690	1,750	360	170
01- Other, uns. trauma to bones, nerves	2	524	524	80,570	13,130	67,450	63,670	3,780	0	0	0
02 Sprains, strains	7,954	17	54	13,100	6,610	6,490	3,790	1,180	1,050	400	70
03 Open wounds	967	8	28	10,370	6,400	3,970	1,690	1,460	640	100	80
031 Amputations	95	22	76	31,230	16,130	15,100	4,850	7,820	1,340	320	760
033 Avulsions	30	4	14	5,090	3,480	1,610	860	750	0	0	0
034 Cuts, lacerations	707	7	22	7,840	5,160	2,680	1,290	740	570	80	10
037 Punctures, except bites	93	7	26	8,550	5,790	2,760	1,630	760	270	100	0
03- Other, uns. open wounds	42	6	37	13,540	8,580	4,960	2,190	1,220	1,480	70	0
04 Surface wounds and bruises	1,078	7	26	5,920	3,350	2,570	1,680	290	310	280	0
041 Abrasions, scratches	53	4	8	2,350	1,800	550	540	20	0	0	0
043 Bruises, contusions	987	8	28	6,100	3,430	2,670	1,780	240	340	310	0
044 Foreign bodies	34	4	8	5,070	2,830	2,240	530	1,710	0	0	0
04- Other, uns. surface wounds	4	15	41	14,180	7,860	6,320	3,660	2,660	0	0	0
05 Burns	176	6	15	5,750	4,450	1,300	960	300	50	0	0
051 Chemical burns	21	5	17	5,060	3,050	2,010	1,200	430	380	0	0
053 Heat burns, scalds	135	6	15	6,020	4,860	1,160	940	220	0	0	0
05- Other, uns. burns	20	7	11	4,670	3,160	1,510	800	710	0	0	0
06 Intracranial injuries	46	7	41	11,740	5,240	6,500	3,200	2,290	240	250	510
062 Concussions	40	7	34	8,250	4,880	3,360	2,600	200	270	290	0
06- Other, uns. intracranial injuries	6	6	83	35,060	7,650	27,410	7,250	16,210	0	0	3,940
07 Effects of environmental conditions	12	3	12	5,410	2,990	2,420	750	0	1,670	0	0
08 Multiple traumatic injuries	3,311	40	98	\$32,490	\$15,830	\$16,650	\$7,590	\$4,630	\$3,640	\$440	\$350

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09 Other traumatic injuries	108	12	31	\$9,520	\$6,250	\$3,260	\$2,160	\$810	\$220	\$70	\$0
093 Electrocutions, electric shock	7	9	10	9,880	8,940	930	930	0	0	0	0
095 Poisonings, toxic effects	19	4	9	3,530	2,780	750	710	40	0	0	0
0971 Crushing injuries	47	12	28	6,710	4,330	2,380	1,640	740	0	0	0
0- Other, uns. traumatic injuries	35	25	50	16,460	10,190	6,280	3,910	1,470	690	210	0
TOTAL DISEASE CLAIMS	1,726	26	71	21,400	9,720	11,680	5,600	3,190	2,250	380	260
1 Systemic diseases and disorders	1,624	26	69	20,580	9,520	11,060	5,420	3,180	1,860	330	270
12 Nervous system, sense organ diseases	395	23	58	21,720	9,360	12,360	4,910	5,630	1,340	200	280
124 Dis. of the peripheral nervous system	262	41	78	23,080	10,790	12,300	6,610	3,250	1,760	270	420
1241 Carpal tunnel syndrome	234	38	67	19,880	9,980	9,910	5,710	2,180	1,500	300	210
124- Other dis. of the per. nervous system	28	84	169	49,830	17,560	32,280	14,080	12,180	3,890	0	2,140
125 Diseases of the eye, adnexa, vision	17	5	16	7,040	4,480	2,560	1,530	1,030	0	0	0
126 Diseases of the ear, hearing	114	0	18	20,920	6,820	14,100	1,520	11,900	590	80	0
12- Other, uns. nervous system diseases	2	72	72	14,080	8,980	5,100	5,100	0	0	0	0
15 Digestive system diseases and disorders	407	25	34	10,780	7,640	3,140	2,700	300	90	50	0
153 Hernias	406	25	34	10,810	7,660	3,140	2,700	300	90	50	0
15- Other, uns. digestive system diseases	1	4	4	330	150	180	180	0	0	0	0
17 Musculoskeletal, connective tissue diseases	642	31	92	25,030	10,500	14,530	7,160	3,160	3,140	660	410
172 Dorsopathies	38	146	228	72,820	23,230	49,590	21,120	14,590	9,030	1,660	3,180
173 Rheumatism, except the back	569	29	79	20,580	9,280	11,300	6,010	2,250	2,320	500	230
1731 Bursitis	43	14	38	12,290	6,040	6,250	3,330	1,570	1,190	70	100
1733 Tendonitis	200	27	76	16,120	7,330	8,780	4,800	1,740	1,450	690	100
1734 Tenosynovitis	67	24	61	14,060	8,330	5,730	4,050	280	980	430	0
173- Other rheumatism, except the back	259	36	94	\$27,100	\$11,570	\$15,530	\$7,880	\$3,280	\$3,530	\$440	\$400

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17- Other musculoskeletal disorders	35	23	155	\$45,450	\$16,530	\$28,920	\$10,790	\$5,460	\$10,180	\$2,130	\$360
18 Diseases of the skin, subcutaneous tissue	66	7	21	5,890	3,690	2,200	880	1,100	120	90	0
182 Dermatitis	30	7	17	6,780	3,230	3,550	920	2,180	260	200	0
18- Other skin diseases	36	7	24	5,140	4,080	1,060	840	200	10	10	0
1- Other, uns. systemic diseases	114	50	121	35,030	14,610	20,420	9,680	6,330	3,710	90	620
2 Infectious and parasitic diseases	8	6	6	2,440	1,840	600	600	0	0	0	0
4 Symptoms and ill-defined conditions	27	20	91	24,690	8,580	16,110	5,240	3,700	7,060	110	0
52 Mental disorders or syndromes	34	48	93	30,850	7,500	23,340	9,210	2,170	9,620	2,180	170
Multiple injuries, diseases and conditions	1,532	140	215	70,490	30,440	40,050	16,880	9,900	10,630	1,670	970
Other/unknown diseases or conditions	3	34	51	\$10,390	\$5,430	\$4,960	\$4,680	\$270	\$0	\$0	\$0

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Footnotes:

Accepted disabling claims are claims, accepted by insurers, arising from occupational injuries or diseases that entitle workers to compensation for disability or death. Claims are reported by the year of claim resolution, which is the year of the latest notice of claim closure, determination order, or claim disposition agreement for initial claim openings. This may be different than the year of injury or year of claim acceptance. Death benefit and permanent total disability (PTD) claims, as well as their indemnity costs, are excluded from this analysis. Worker, employer, and insurer reimbursements from the Workers' Benefit Fund are also generally excluded.

Claim cost is the composite of medical and indemnity costs. Indemnity costs include temporary disability (TD), permanent partial disability (PPD), claim disposition agreement (CDA), disputed claim settlement (DCS), and vocational assistance. Indemnity costs incurred after claim closure that were paid through mid-April 2012 are also included in this table. This primarily includes PPD modified by dispute resolution, CDA, DCS, and vocational assistance costs.

Cost statistics are means, unless otherwise specified. Aside from temporary disability days, costs have been rounded, and components may not sum to composite averages. Some medical and indemnity costs are estimated. Most often estimates are for temporary disability days, medical, and vocational assistance for initial claims resolved by CDA, about which the department doesn't require regular cost reports. Conclusions should not be drawn for rows with a small number of claims.

Data in this table will change. The claim counts will change as claims are reopened and resolved. Also, as mentioned above, post-closure costs will increase over time. However, if past trends continue, then the temporary disability days and costs for the most recent year will decline as claims are reopened and then closed in future years.

Claim characteristics are classified according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Occupational Injury and Illness Classification System (OIICS).

Source: Information Management Division, Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services, July 2012