

Table 4. Average temporary disability days and claim costs paid for resolved accepted disabling claims by nature of injury or disease, Oregon, 2010

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	18,526	24	77	\$22,720	\$10,540	\$12,180	\$5,690	\$3,110	\$2,520	\$570	\$280
TRAUMATIC INJURIES	15,221	20	65	18,260	8,790	9,470	4,610	2,330	1,850	490	190
01 Trauma to bones, nerves, spinal cord	1,769	46	98	30,740	14,660	16,080	7,300	4,950	3,160	260	390
011 Dislocations	647	65	127	43,870	19,030	24,830	10,860	7,760	5,010	540	660
012 Fractures	1,121	39	82	23,160	12,140	11,030	5,250	3,340	2,090	100	240
01- Other, uns. trauma to bones, nerves	1	178	178	25,270	13,560	11,720	11,720	0	0	0	0
02 Sprains, strains	7,809	17	55	13,230	6,370	6,870	3,700	1,280	1,190	570	120
03 Open wounds	944	8	27	8,910	5,110	3,790	1,700	1,660	360	20	50
031 Amputations	121	23	63	22,180	11,010	11,180	3,950	5,120	1,770	0	340
033 Avulsions	40	4	23	5,160	2,310	2,850	1,670	1,150	30	0	0
034 Cuts, lacerations	637	7	22	6,830	4,280	2,550	1,340	1,120	80	10	0
037 Punctures, except bites	106	6	16	7,080	4,840	2,240	1,110	980	100	50	0
03- Other, uns. open wounds	40	5	26	10,430	4,060	6,370	2,120	2,100	1,750	310	90
04 Surface wounds and bruises	1,021	6	25	6,070	3,240	2,830	1,610	230	590	400	0
041 Abrasions, scratches	50	5	14	2,930	2,180	750	700	50	0	0	0
043 Bruises, contusions	948	7	26	6,310	3,320	2,990	1,680	250	630	430	0
044 Foreign bodies	17	2	7	3,170	2,570	600	510	90	0	0	0
04- Other, uns. surface wounds	6	4	10	2,410	1,460	950	950	0	0	0	0
05 Burns	189	7	23	6,180	4,240	1,940	1,350	430	130	30	0
051 Chemical burns	26	5	22	10,470	7,830	2,640	1,630	610	310	90	0
053 Heat burns, scalds	150	7	24	5,730	3,790	1,940	1,370	440	110	20	0
05- Other, uns. burns	13	5	7	2,810	2,260	550	490	60	0	0	0
06 Intracranial injuries	42	6	44	17,520	6,910	10,610	3,700	1,580	3,880	1,450	0
062 Concussions	33	5	33	13,700	6,320	7,370	2,920	1,100	1,670	1,670	0
06- Other, uns. intracranial injuries	9	37	87	31,550	9,070	22,480	6,550	3,330	11,940	650	0
07 Effects of environmental conditions	10	10	13	10,850	9,770	1,080	760	320	0	0	0
08 Multiple traumatic injuries	3,333	40	98	\$30,590	\$14,390	\$16,200	\$7,280	\$4,380	\$3,590	\$590	\$370

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09 Other traumatic injuries	104	9	49	\$16,450	\$8,930	\$7,520	\$3,940	\$1,250	\$1,910	\$430	\$0
093 Electrocutions, electric shock	7	12	45	10,540	5,810	4,740	4,620	110	0	0	0
095 Poisonings, toxic effects	25	5	18	8,650	6,780	1,860	1,860	0	0	0	0
0971 Crushing injuries	52	11	47	13,770	6,630	7,140	3,310	810	2,350	670	0
0- Other, uns. traumatic injuries	20	53	93	35,240	18,680	16,560	7,930	4,360	3,800	470	0
TOTAL DISEASE CLAIMS	1,778	26	71	20,690	9,070	11,620	5,660	3,190	2,260	240	290
1 Systemic diseases and disorders	1,679	25	67	19,700	8,850	10,850	5,300	3,230	1,870	160	290
12 Nervous system, sense organ diseases	382	27	61	20,790	8,420	12,370	5,080	5,840	1,150	20	280
124 Dis. of the peripheral nervous system	257	44	84	22,150	9,560	12,590	7,020	3,930	1,220	30	400
1241 Carpal tunnel syndrome	237	43	85	21,890	9,580	12,310	7,050	3,640	1,170	20	430
124- Other dis. of the per. nervous system	20	49	73	25,280	9,370	15,910	6,580	7,380	1,800	80	70
125 Diseases of the eye, adnexa, vision	19	3	8	4,530	3,080	1,450	630	800	30	0	0
126 Diseases of the ear, hearing	105	0	15	19,550	6,600	12,950	1,210	11,020	720	0	0
12- Other, uns. nervous system diseases	1	10	10	109,860	6,680	103,180	820	49,100	50,000	0	3,260
15 Digestive system diseases and disorders	460	22	31	10,080	7,210	2,870	2,430	120	230	70	20
153 Hernias	457	22	32	10,110	7,230	2,880	2,440	120	230	70	30
15- Other, uns. digestive system diseases	3	11	11	5,460	4,820	640	640	0	0	0	0
17 Musculoskeletal, connective tissue diseases	656	32	87	23,590	9,750	13,840	6,680	3,950	2,570	300	340
172 Dorsopathies	44	120	169	71,240	27,680	43,550	15,760	16,100	10,420	380	900
173 Rheumatism, except the back	578	28	79	19,000	8,130	10,860	5,810	2,760	1,730	280	280
1731 Bursitis	55	12	37	7,900	4,010	3,890	2,670	480	420	320	0
1733 Tendonitis	193	25	65	15,800	6,880	8,930	4,640	1,960	1,850	340	140
1734 Tenosynovitis	80	31	83	16,440	7,080	9,350	5,490	1,710	1,530	450	180
173- Other rheumatism, except the back	250	33	97	24,720	10,350	14,380	7,500	4,220	2,000	180	480
17- Other musculoskeletal disorders	34	34	112	\$39,960	\$14,010	\$25,950	\$9,820	\$8,400	\$6,690	\$410	\$630

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18 Diseases of the skin, subcutaneous tissue	74	6	26	\$9,430	\$3,680	\$5,750	\$2,100	\$2,380	\$770	\$70	\$440
182 Dermatitis	47	6	30	10,510	2,450	8,060	2,520	3,570	1,210	80	690
18- Other skin diseases	27	6	20	7,560	5,830	1,730	1,380	310	0	50	0
1- Other, uns. systemic diseases	107	61	145	40,370	15,440	24,920	12,160	3,470	7,990	270	1,030
2 Infectious and parasitic diseases	13	3	29	9,280	3,130	6,150	4,010	2,140	0	0	0
4 Symptoms and ill-defined conditions	18	15	69	20,670	8,670	12,010	5,530	0	5,860	610	0
52 Mental disorders or syndromes	35	62	102	30,710	10,470	20,230	8,270	0	8,340	3,430	190
Multiple injuries, diseases and conditions	1,557	126	207	69,260	29,460	39,800	16,470	10,770	9,630	1,740	1,190
Other/unknown diseases or conditions	3	223	526	\$127,330	\$28,170	\$99,150	\$98,190	\$960	\$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. Fatality claims, permanent total disability (PTD) claims, claims with no indemnity, and claims with unreasonably high indemnity, as well as their associated costs, are excluded from this analysis.

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.

Nature of injury is classified according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Occupational Injury and Illness Classification System (OIICS).

PPD = Permanent partial disability; CDA = Claim disposition agreement; DCS = Disputed claim settlement.

Claim cost is the composite of medical and indemnity costs. The components of indemnity are temporary disability, PPD, CDA, DCS, and vocational assistance. Cost statistics are means, unless otherwise specified. Costs have been rounded, and components may not sum to composite averages. In addition, due to the estimation process, conclusions should not be drawn for rows with a small number of claims.

Average costs for the indemnity components are computed over the total claims resolved. The temporary disability days and dollars include estimates of temporary disability for initial claims resolved by claim disposition agreements rather than claim closure. Insurers do not report this data to the department. Indemnity costs incurred after claim closure that were paid through mid-April 2011 are also included in this table. This primarily includes permanent partial disability modified by dispute resolution, disputed claim settlements, and vocational assistance costs. These costs after resolution generally increase over time. Worker, employer, and insurer reimbursements from the Workers' Benefit Fund are also excluded.

Medical costs include estimates for initial claims resolved by claim disposition agreement rather than claim closure. Medical costs after claim resolution, which are often substantial, are not included in this report.

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.

Source: Information Management Division, Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services, July 2011