

Table 2. California Division of Workers' Compensation: Number of Workers' Compensation Claims, by Cause of Injury, 2000 - 2013

CAUSE OF INJURY	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	TOTAL 2000-2013
Burn Or Scald-Heat Or Cold Exposure	28,236	36,216	30,356	27,274	26,021	24,979	24,089	21,689	20,032	17,078	15,631	15,063	15,485	15,235	317,384
Caught In Or Between	24,514	32,055	28,937	28,237	26,285	25,536	26,652	24,578	20,269	16,084	16,012	15,828	15,488	15,525	316,000
Cut, Puncture, Scrape Injured By	66,336	82,421	79,076	76,769	75,884	77,915	74,908	70,399	63,605	52,305	49,917	49,024	49,036	49,553	917,148
Fall Or Slip Injury	108,268	140,867	133,646	126,844	122,703	116,417	113,877	110,961	103,191	91,302	91,192	85,586	85,102	84,646	1,514,602
Motor Vehicle	17,135	22,749	21,332	20,655	18,993	17,402	16,737	15,839	14,175	13,741	13,333	12,787	12,781	12,831	230,490
Rubbed Or Abraded By	4,192	5,834	5,992	6,254	6,504	6,965	6,032	5,448	4,970	4,313	3,832	3,446	2,819	2,987	69,588
Strain Or Injury By	242,448	310,714	302,163	293,097	274,798	244,969	235,053	224,134	208,586	188,157	191,077	186,753	188,614	185,610	3,276,173
Striking Against Or Stepping On	37,127	43,235	41,493	39,244	38,432	34,042	31,785	30,145	27,929	24,479	24,392	23,462	22,932	22,191	440,888
Struck Or Injury By	89,501	110,407	101,852	99,893	97,296	95,277	96,736	94,460	86,571	75,053	73,956	72,909	75,613	76,428	1,245,952
Miscellaneous Causes	128,284	161,624	159,762	152,804	133,473	121,945	113,965	112,407	109,342	98,980	100,177	101,179	99,992	95,978	1,689,912
SUBTOTAL	746,041	946,122	904,609	871,071	820,389	765,447	739,834	710,060	658,670	581,492	579,519	566,037	567,862	560,984	10,018,137
Unknown	1,690	2,409	3,528	1,060	617	781	791	965	757	533	1,124	1,190	2,563	718	18,726
TOTAL REPORTED INJURIES	747,731	948,531	908,137	872,131	821,006	766,228	740,625	711,025	659,427	582,025	580,643	567,227	570,425	561,702	10,036,863

Percentage (%) Distribution of Workers' Compensation Claims in California, by Cause of Injury

CAUSE OF INJURY	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	TOTAL 2000-2013
Burn Or Scald-Heat Or Cold Exposure	3.8	3.8	3.4	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.1	3	2.9	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	3.2
Caught In Or Between	3.3	3.4	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.3	3.6	3.5	3.1	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.8	3.2
Cut, Puncture, Scrape Injured By	8.9	8.7	8.7	8.8	9.2	10.2	10.1	9.9	9.7	9.0	8.6	8.7	8.6	8.8	9.2
Fall Or Slip Injury	14.5	14.9	14.8	14.6	15	15.2	15.4	15.6	15.7	15.7	15.7	15.1	15	15.1	15.1
Motor Vehicle	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3
Rubbed Or Abraded By	.6	.6	.7	.7	.8	.9	.8	.8	.8	.7	.7	.6	.5	.5	.7
Strain Or Injury By	32.5	32.8	33.4	33.6	33.5	32.0	31.8	31.6	31.7	32.4	33.0	33.0	33.2	33.1	32.7
Striking Against Or Stepping On	5.0	4.6	4.6	4.5	4.7	4.4	4.3	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.1	4	4	4.4
Struck Or Injury By	12.0	11.7	11.3	11.5	11.9	12.4	13.1	13.3	13.1	12.9	12.8	12.9	13.3	13.6	12.4
Miscellaneous Causes	17.2	17.1	17.7	17.5	16.3	15.9	15.4	15.8	16.6	17	17.3	17.9	17.6	17.1	16.9
TOTAL (%)	100.0														

Source: WCIS database, which uses National Council on Compensation Insurance (NCCI) codes as follows: Head--multiple head injury, skull, brain.
 Note: Totals and percentages may not always add up due to rounding.

Footnotes to Table 2. Source: WCIS database, which uses National Council on Compensation Insurance (NCCI) codes as follows:

Burn or Scald-Heat or Cold Exposure from chemicals, hot objects or substances, cold objects or substances, temperature extremes, fire or flame, steam or hot fluids, dust, gases, fumes or vapors, welding operations, radiation, abnormal air pressure, electrical current and contact with, not otherwise classified (NOC).

Caught in or between machine or machinery, object handled, collapsing materials (slides of earth), caught in, under or between, NOC.

Cut, Puncture or Scrape Injury by broken glass, hand tool, utensil-not powered, object being lifted or handled, powered hand tool, appliance, cut, puncture or scrape, NOC.

Fall or Slip Injury from different level (elevation), ladder or scaffolding, liquid or grease spills, into openings, on the same level, slipped, did not fall, on ice or snow, on stairs, fall, trip or slip, NOC.

Motor Vehicle crash of water vehicle, crash of rail vehicle, collision or sideswipe with another vehicle, collision with a fixed object, crash of airplane, vehicle upset, motor vehicle, NOC.

Rubbed or Abraded by repetitive motion, rubbed or abraded, NOC.

Strain or Injury by continual noise, twisting, jumping, holding or carrying, lifting, pushing or pulling, reaching, using tool or machinery, welding or throwing, repetitive motion (carpal tunnel syndrome), and strain or injury by, NOC.

Striking Against or Stepping on moving parts of machine, object being lifted or handled, sanding, scraping, cleaning operations, stationary object, sharp object, and striking against or stepping on, NOC.

Struck or Injury by fellow worker, patient (not in act of a crime), falling or flying object, hand tool or machine in use, motor vehicle, moving parts of machine, object being lifted or handled, object handled by others, animal or insect, explosion or flare back and struck or injured by, NOC (includes kicked, stabbed, bit, etc.)

Miscellaneous Causes from absorption, ingestion or inhalation, NOC, foreign matter (body) in eye(s), natural disasters (earthquake, hurricane, tornado, etc.), person in act of crime (robbery or criminal assault), other than physical cause of injury, mold, terrorism, cumulative, NOC, other miscellaneous, NOC.

A significant amount of variation across years results from noncompliance and late reporting of claims. Data are based upon calendar year of injury. DWC believes that its database is representative of claims in California's workers' compensation (WC) industry.

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