

**State of California, Department of Industrial Relations
Division of Workers' Compensation
Workers' Compensation Information System (WCIS)**

Table 3: Claims by Nature of Injury and Year of Injury 2000 - 2013

NATURE OF INJURY	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	TOTAL 2000 - 2013
SPECIFIC INJURY	660,495	828,939	783,475	748,815	714,094	673,345	659,274	635,676	589,240	516,091	512,793	498,834	508,674	504,944	8,834,689
OCCUPATIONAL DISEASE OR CUMULATIVE INJURY	75,212	98,633	104,613	103,455	88,121	78,048	64,273	59,045	55,289	51,713	49,210	49,214	49,858	48,870	975,554
MULTIPLE INJURIES	15,503	24,850	22,632	23,876	23,265	21,092	21,386	20,887	20,402	19,860	21,967	21,874	22,955	22,920	303,469
SUBTOTAL, All Categories	751,210	952,422	910,720	876,146	825,480	772,485	744,933	715,608	664,931	587,664	583,970	569,922	581,487	576,734	10,113,712
Unknown	2,232	4,569	3,615	1,626	1,248	1,042	956	731	943	593	702	1,091	2,308	1,377	23,033
TOTAL REPORTED INJURIES	753,442	956,991	914,335	877,772	826,728	773,527	745,889	716,339	665,874	588,257	584,672	571,013	583,795	578,111	10,136,745

Percentage (%) Distribution of Claims by Nature of Injury and Year of Injury

NATURE OF INJURY	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	TOTAL 2000 - 2013
SPECIFIC INJURY	87.9%	87.0%	86.0%	85.5%	86.5%	87.2%	88.5%	88.8%	88.6%	87.8%	87.8%	87.5%	87.5%	87.6%	87.4%
OCCUPATIONAL DISEASE OR CUMULATIVE INJURY	10.0%	10.4%	11.5%	11.8%	10.7%	10.1%	8.6%	8.3%	8.3%	8.8%	8.4%	8.6%	8.6%	8.5%	9.6%
MULTIPLE INJURIES	2.1%	2.6%	2.5%	2.7%	2.8%	2.7%	2.9%	2.9%	3.1%	3.4%	3.8%	3.8%	3.9%	4.0%	3.0%
TOTAL (%)	100%														

Note: Totals and percentages may not always add up due to rounding.

WCIS database, which uses National Council on Compensation Insurance (NCCI) codes as follows:

Specific Injury--no physical injury, aids, amputation, angina pectoris, asphyxiation, burn, concussion, contusion, crushing, dislocation, electric shock, enucleation, foreign body, fracture, freezing, hearing loss or impairment, heat prostration, hepatitis C, hernia, infection, inflammation, laceration, myocardial infarction, poisoning-general (not occupational disease or cumulative injury), puncture, rupture, severance, sprain, strain, syncope, vascular, vision loss and all other specific injuries, not otherwise classified (NOC).

Occupational Disease or Cumulative Injury--dust disease, NOC, asbestosis, black lung, byssinosis, silicosis, respiratory disorders, poisoning-chemical (other than metals), poisoning-metal, dermatitis, radiation, all other occupational disease or injury, NOC, loss of hearing, contagious disease, cancer, visual display terminal (VDT)-related diseases, mental disorder, mental stress, carpal tunnel syndrome, hepatitis losses and all other cumulative injury, NOC.

Multiple Injuries--multiple physical injuries only, and multiple physical injuries including both physical and psychological.

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.