

## Workers' Compensation Claims for Exposure to and Disease from COVID-19

WA State Fund and Self-Insured Claims Established between Feb 26, 2020 and July 12, 2021

|                                     | Claims             | Quarant-         | Known<br>Positive<br>Laboratory | Hospital- |       | Claims   | Claims<br>Not Yet |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|-------|----------|-------------------|
| Industry Sector <sup>1</sup>        | Filed <sup>2</sup> | ine <sup>3</sup> | Test <sup>4</sup>               | ized      | Fatal | Accepted | Allowed           |
| Health Care & Social Assistance     | 5479               | 5198             | 3626                            | 84        | 19    | 5229     | 28                |
| Public Administration               | 1218               | 1160             | 542                             | 19        | 7     | 1125     | 17                |
| Educational Services                | 408                | 388              | 331                             | 10        | 1     | 387      | 3                 |
| Admin & Support & Waste Mgmt.       | 274                | 263              | 193                             | 5         | -     | 214      | 21                |
| Retail Trade                        | 135                | 130              | 81                              | 3         | -     | 19       | 47                |
| Agricult., Forestry, Fish & Hunting | 122                | 114              | 85                              | 2         | 4     | 47       | 26                |
| Accommodation & Food Services       | 120                | 108              | 33                              | 3         | -     | 28       | 19                |
| Manufacturing                       | 111                | 100              | 50                              | 1         | 3     | 8        | 22                |
| Other Srvs.(except Public Admin.)   | 111                | 95               | 43                              | -         | -     | 89       | 6                 |
| Transportation & Warehousing        | 93                 | 84               | 38                              | 4         | 1     | 28       | 19                |
| Construction                        | 89                 | 73               | 35                              | -         | -     | 5        | 23                |
| Wholesale Trade                     | 55                 | 52               | 12                              | 1         | -     | 5        | 4                 |
| Professional, Sci., & Tech. Srvs.   | 43                 | 41               | 20                              | -         | -     | 12       | 9                 |
| Real Estate & Rental & Leasing      | 22                 | 19               | 6                               | -         | -     | 8        | 2                 |
| Arts, Entertainment, & Rec.         | 13                 | 12               | 12                              | -         | -     | -        | 11                |
| Finance & Insurance                 | 8                  | 7                | 3                               | -         | -     | -        | -                 |
| Information                         | 7                  | 7                | 4                               | -         | -     | 2        | 2                 |
| Utilities                           | 2                  | 2                | 1                               | -         | -     | 2        | -                 |
| Mgmt. of Companies & Enterprises    | 1                  | 1                | 1                               | -         | -     | 1        | -                 |
| Unknown Industry, Not Specified     | 12                 | 9                | 5                               | 1         | -     | 2        | 1                 |
| Total                               | 8323               | 7863             | 5121                            | 133       | 35    | 7211     | 260               |

 Industry sectors defined using the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS). Educational Services is predominant for university-affiliated hospitals. Administrative & Support & Waste Mgmt. is predominant for hospital and nursing home administrators.

2. Includes claims adjudicated as Accepted, Rejected, Provisional, and claims Not Yet Allowed.

3. Workers may have been told by their employer or healthcare provider to self-quarantine for any # of days.

4. Number of positive tests are likely an undercount, as test results are not always known, particularly for self-insured claims. We linked L&I claim records with COVID-19 data from the WA Department of Health to identify 1.9% of the positive tests.

Claims are confirmed for known or suspected exposure to or disease from COVID-19. Counts of quarantine, laboratory tests, hospitalization, and fatal are for all claims filed. Information about the coronavirus outbreak and workers' compensation coverage can be found on LNI's <u>COVID-19 Resource</u> page. <u>Methods for COVID-19 Surveillance</u> details how this table was derived. Affected workers are under-represented in workers' compensation data, particularly outside of the healthcare sector. Washington's <u>Confirmed Cases by Industry Sector Report</u> summarizes all positive cases in the state, not just those associated with workers' compensation claims, and indicates a high burden of COVID-19 in the Manufacturing and Agricultural sectors. The industry report is periodically updated and posted to the WA Department of Health's coronavirus webpage.

