

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

WA State Fund and Self-Insured Claims Established between Feb 26, 2020 and Nov 11, 2022

Industry Sector <sup>1</sup>	Claims Filed <sup>2</sup>	Known Positive Laboratory Test <sup>3</sup>	Hospital-ized	Fatal	Claims Accepted	Claims Not Yet Allowed
Health Care & Social Assistance	12,220	9,948	119	32	11,555	5
Public Administration	4,719	3,725	53	13	4,539	5
Educational Services	2,148	1,987	18	2	1,951	1
Admin & Support & Waste Mgmt.	887	703	9	0	747	3
Retail Trade	377	286	9	1	216	1
Manufacturing	326	251	7	8	52	2
Accommodation & Food Services	249	153	6	1	125	0
Other Svcs.(except Public Admin.)	233	158	2	0	195	0
Agricult., Forestry, Fish & Hunting	226	185	7	7	133	0
Transportation & Warehousing	218	144	11	3	111	0
Professional, Sci., & Tech. Svcs.	157	123	0	0	97	1
Construction	149	87	2	2	23	1
Wholesale Trade	101	57	1	0	25	0
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	48	31	1	0	23	0
Information	43	38	0	0	35	0
Arts, Entertainment, & Rec.	23	20	0	0	7	0
Finance & Insurance	15	10	0	0	2	0
Utilities	8	6	0	0	6	0
Mgmt. of Companies & Enterprises	4	4	0	0	1	0
Unknown Industry, Not Specified	104	82	3	2	13	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>22,255</b>	<b>17,998</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>19,856</b>	<b>19</b>

1. 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. 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 0.9% of the positive tests.

Claims are confirmed for known or suspected exposure to or disease from COVID-19 at work. Counts of quarantine, laboratory tests, hospitalization, and fatal are for all claims filed. Affected workers are under-represented in workers' compensation data, particularly outside of the healthcare sector. Information about workers' compensation coverage can be found on L&I's [COVID-19 Resource](#) page. [Methods for COVID-19 Surveillance](#) details how this table was derived. Key findings from this surveillance system can be found in the report [COVID-19 Surveillance in Washington Workers' Compensation Data: March 2020 to June 2021](#). Washington's [Confirmed Cases by Industry Sector Report](#) summarizes all positive cases in the state by industry and includes race and ethnicity. The industry report is periodically updated and posted to the WA Department of Health's [coronavirus webpage](#).