

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

WA State Fund and Self-Insured Claims Established between Feb 26, 2020 and Sep 14, 2020

Industry Sector ¹	Claims Filed ²	Quarantine ^{2,3}	Known Positive			Claims Accepted	Claims Not Yet Allowed
			Laboratory Test ^{2,4}	Hospitalized ²	Fatal ²		
Health Care & Social Assistance	2547	2340	1301	30	4	2389	45
Public Administration	441	398	94	2	4	391	10
Educational Services	222	204	158	8	1	214	4
Admin & Support & Waste Mgmt.	110	99	47	1	-	78	22
Retail Trade	68	64	22	1	-	9	49
Agriculture, Forestry, Fish & Hunt	62	62	30	-	-	2	58
Accommodation & Food Services	61	53	8	1	-	10	46
Construction	59	45	15	-	-	1	48
Wholesale Trade	44	42	6	-	-	4	28
Other Svcs.(except Public Admin.)	43	35	11	-	-	38	4
Transportation & Warehousing	42	35	12	-	-	8	18
Manufacturing	41	35	10	-	-	1	34
Professional, Sci., & Tech. Svcs.	20	18	6	-	-	1	18
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	13	10	2	-	-	5	8
Finance & Insurance	5	5	1	-	-	-	4
Information	4	4	1	-	-	1	2
Arts, Entertainment, & Rec.	1	-	1	-	-	-	1
Unknown Industry, Not Specified	53	39	8	1	-	35	5
Total	3836	3488	1733	44	9	3187	404

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. 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.

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 [COVID-19 Resource](#) page. [Methods for COVID-19 Surveillance](#) details how this table was derived.

Affected workers are under-represented in workers' compensation data, particularly outside of the healthcare sector. Washington's [Confirmed Cases by Occupation and Industry Report](#) 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.