

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

WA State Fund and Self-Insured Claims Established between Feb 26, 2020 and Aug 9, 2020

Industry Sector ¹	Claims Filed ²	Quarantine ³	Known Positive Laboratory Test ⁴	Hospitalized	Fatal	Claims Accepted
Health Care & Social Assistance	2152	1957	1091	27	4	2011
Public Administration	330	285	69	2	2	295
Educational Services	199	181	141	7	1	193
Admin & Support & Waste Mgmt.	94	83	37	1	-	65
Accommodation & Food Services	55	47	7	1	-	10
Agriculture, Forestry, Fish & Hunting	50	50	28	-	-	1
Construction	45	31	12	-	-	1
Retail Trade	44	41	19	1	-	9
Manufacturing	39	33	10	-	-	1
Transportation & Warehousing	37	30	10	-	-	3
Other Services (except Public Admin.)	37	31	9	-	-	32
Wholesale Trade	25	23	5	-	-	3
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Svcs.	15	13	3	-	-	1
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	11	8	2	-	-	5
Finance & Insurance	5	5	1	-	-	-
Information	4	4	1	-	-	1
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	2	1	2	-	-	-
Unknown Industry, Not Specified	59	45	10	1	-	42
Total	3203	2868	1457	40	7	2673

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. The occupation and industry report is periodically updated and posted to the WA Department of Health's [coronavirus webpage](#).