

L&I Facts and Figures

Workers' Comp – state fund operational – data s Work (YPDW) FY 2022	ource where applicable, Your Premium Dollars at	Update Schedule
Employers insured	198,000 (YPDW)	Annual – Oct
Premiums assessed ¹	\$2.03 billion (YPDW)	Annual – Oct
Workers covered	2.66 million (YPDW)	Annual – Oct
Benefits Incurred ¹	\$1.82 billion (YPDW)	Annual – Oct
Benefits Paid for fiscal year 2022	\$2.46 billion - All Funds \$1.56 billion - Excluding SPF, self-insurance, and DOE	Annual – Dec
Claims received as of Dec 2022	102,868 FY2022	Annual – Dec
of claims received, # accepted as of Dec 2022	85,689 (83% of claims received) FY2022	Annual – Dec
of claims received, # denied as of Dec 2022	16,857 (16% of claims received) FY2022	Annual – Dec
of claims received, # new time-loss as of Dec 2022	18,210 (21% of accepted claims) FY2022 note: additional claims will incur time-loss in the future	Annual – Dec
of claims received, # medical only as of Dec 2022	59,872 (70% of accepted claims) FY2022 note: the rest of accepted claims are compensable but have not received a time-loss payment	Annual – Dec
Median days of time-loss paid as of Dec 2022	21 (FAY 2022 claims as of 12/31/22) – excludes KOS	Annual – Dec
¹ Includes only Accident, Medical Aid and Stay at Work. Financial (based on Statutory Financial Informat	ion as of June 30, 2022)	
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Total assets	\$20.5 billion	Qtrly –
Total liabilities	\$16.2 billion	Qtrly –
Contingency reserve (% liabilities) Annual CY rate change (based on hours worked not	\$4,314 million (26.7%) 2022 rate change 3.1%	Qtrly – Annual – Dec
payroll)	2021 rate change 0.0% 2020 rate change -0.8% 2019 rate change -5.0%	
Average rate per hour for CY 2022	\$0.654 per hour before retro refunds	Annual
COLA - based on wage inflation calculation done by ESD as directed in RCW 50.04.355 and 50.20.120. The COLA implemented each FY reflects the wage inflation in the prior CY.	7/1/2022 7.5% 7/1/2021 10.1% 7/1/2020 6.7% 7/1/2019 5.5%	Annual – Dec
FY 2022 wage growth was 4.4% (Quarterly avg. BLS	S QCEW.)	
Cost Indicators	A I EVOCOO II 1001	
Medical cost growth – annualized average cost excluding hearing loss based on fiscal service year. Adjusted to fiscal accident year 2018 claim count distribution.	Annualized FY2022 growth = -10% Annualized FY2021 growth revised = 12.7% Average annual growth (FY2018-FY2022) = 0.5%	Annual
state-fund TPD Pensions granted FY2022 as of Dec 2022	731	Annual – Dec
self-insured TPD Pensions granted FY2022 as of Dec 2022	64	Annual – Dec
state-fund fatal Pensions granted FY2022 as of Dec 2022	149	Annual – Dec
self-insured fatal Pensions granted FY2022 as of Dec 2022	23	Annual – Dec
Average cost: (estimate based on claims from accid		

Medical-only claims average	\$ 1,900 - 67.9% of counts	Annual
Compensable ³ claims average	\$ 84,000 - 32.1% of counts	Annual
Short-term compensable (less than 12 months of time-loss)	\$ 12,200 - 26.6% of counts	Annual
Long-term disability claims (more than 12 months of time-loss)	\$ 432,000 - 5.5% of counts	Annual
TPD Pension claim—Average cost of all benefits paid including medical	\$1,492,000 - 1.1% of counts	Annual

- 2. These are average per claim discounted benefit costs (including the cost-of-living adjustment to wage replacement benefits) for injuries/illnesses that occurred during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022 based on data as of September 30, 2022 at 2022 benefit levels.
- 3. Compensable (or indemnity) claims include kept-on-salary, time-loss claims, fatalities, total permanent disability pensions, and claims with permanent partial disability awards. Medical only hearing loss claims are included in the medical-only category.

Self-Insured Employers FY2022		
Number of self-insured employers and workers	352 employers (FY2022)	Annual – SI MGMT
covered	928,957 workers covered (FY2022) - about 26% of all covered workers.	Reports
Number and percent of compensable claims from self-insured employers. Source: Data warehouse	18,627 compensable claims for fiscal accident year 2022 or 41% of combined state and self-insured compensable claims.	Annual
Worker Safety and Health Federal FFY 2022	(Oct 1, 2021 - Sept 30, 2022)	
Worksites under L&I's jurisdiction (non-federal)	269,000	Annual
Inspectors	152	Annual
Consultants	49	Annual
Inspections	4,630	Annual
Consultations	1,917	Annual
Worker Injury compensable claims rate	1,557 per 100,000 FTE's 4 qtr rolling average through 2022Q2 (resulting in > 3 days missed from work)	Annual
Worker fatality rate	WA rate – 2.5 per 100,000 FTE's CY 2020 National rate – 3.4 per 100,000 FTE's CY 2020	Annual
Most commonly reported workplace injury	One of every 11 compensable injury claims was a sprain or strain of the back from overexertion or repetitive motion. One of every five compensable claims in FY 22 was related to COVID19	Annual
Worker fatality causes	Transportation incidents (30); exposure to harmful substances (13); falls, slips, and trips (12); struck by or caught with objects (10); assaults and violent acts (8).	Annual
Most frequently cited hazards	Accident Prevention Programs Safety Committees sand Safety Meetings Globally Harmonized System for Hazard Communication	Annual
Fraud Prevention and Labor Standards FY 2	2022	
Dollars collected	\$260.7 million, of which more than \$243.8 was delinquent premiums	Annual
Worker investigations completed	more than 1,400	Annual
Total benefit costs avoided on worker fraud investigations	Over \$3.5 million (FY 2022)	Annual
Return on investment	\$14.99 for every \$1 spent (FY 2022)	Annual

Total employer audits completed	nearly 2,100	Annual
Percentage of employers found to owe debts after L&I audit	78%	Annual
Audit premium assessments	more than \$24.4 million	Annual
Number of unregistered employers found and audited	over 620	Annual
Number of public works contracts reviewed to ensure contractors paid workers' comp premiums	4,000 worth \$6.3 billion	Annual
Amount identified as L&I overpayments to health care providers	\$4.6 million	Annual
Fraud cases investigated, prepared, and/or referred to AG's office for criminal charges	3	Annual
Prevailing wage online intent and affidavit filings	over 163,700	Annual
Prevailing wage cases received	about 250	Annual
Prevailing wages returned to workers	nearly \$1.1 million	Annual
New apprenticeship registrations	nearly 7,000	Annual
Apprenticeships completed	2,889	Annual
Wage complaints received	about 4,800	Annual
Wages returned to workers	nearly \$2.6 million	Annual
Public Safety FY 2022		
Contractors registered	66,782	Annual
Construction compliance jobsite visits	10,962	Annual
Construction underground economy violations issued	1,998	Annual
Journey level and specialty plumbers certified	6,299	Annual
Plumber trainees certified	5,397	Annual
Plumbing contractors licensed	1,488	
Number of electrical inspections	261,500 (90% within 48 hours)	Annual
Number of elevator/escalator inspections	15,705	Annual
Number of manufactured home alteration permits inspected	10,698	Annual
Number of boiler/pressure vessel inspections	12,829	Annual
	(as of 8.22.22 EAS-Supplemental 2022)	
Operating appropriation	\$958.3 million	Biennial
FTE allocation	3,211.70	Biennial
Funds Breakdown	Accident Acct \$399.9 million (state and federal)	Biennial

Medical Aid Acct \$386.8 million (state and federal)
General Fund-State \$39.4 million, General Fund-Federal
\$20.8 million, Electrical License Acct \$59.2 million,
Construction Registration Inspection Acct \$30.2 million,
Other \$22 million

*Note: Not included in the Operating appropriation: Allocations or NonAppropriated/Allotted \$16 million

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