

Workers' Comp – state fund operational – data source where applicable, Your Premium Dollars at Work (YPDW) FY 2021		Update Schedule
Employers insured	187,000 (YPDW)	Annual – Oct
Premiums assessed ¹	\$1.99 billion (YPDW)	Annual – Oct
Workers covered	2.6 million (YPDW)	Annual – Oct
Benefits Incurred ¹	\$2.34 billion (YPDW)	Annual – Oct
Benefits Paid for fiscal year 2021	\$2.32 billion - All Funds \$1.55 billion - Excluding SPF, Self-insured and DOE pensions	Annual – Dec -Bill Vasek
claims received as of Dec 2021	95,667 FY2021	Annual – Dec
of claims received, # accepted as of Dec 2021	80,850 (85% of claims received) FY2021	Annual – Dec
of claims received, # denied as of Dec 2021	14,568 (15% of claims received) FY2021	Annual – Dec
of claims received, # new time-loss as of Dec 2021	15,808 (20% of accepted claims) FY2021 note: additional claims will incur time-loss in the future	Annual – Dec
of claims received, # medical only as of Dec 2021	57,068 (71% of accepted claims) FY2021 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 2021	36 (FAY 2021 claims as of 12/31/21) – excludes KOS	Annual – Dec
¹ Includes only Accident, Medical Aid and Stay at Work.		
Financial (based on Statutory Financial Information as of June 30, 2021)		
Total assets	\$20.7 billion	Qtrly – Rob Cotton
Total liabilities	\$16.02 billion	Qtrly – Rob Cotton
Contingency reserve (% liabilities)	\$4,674 million (29.2%)	Qtrly – Rob Cotton
Annual CY rate change (based on hours worked not payroll)	2021 rate change 0.0% 2020 rate change -0.8% 2019 rate change -5.0% 2018 rate change -2.5%	Annual – Dec
Average rate per hour for 2021	\$0.644 per hour before retro refunds	Annual – Bill Vasek
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.	7/1/2021 10.1% 7/1/2020 6.7% 7/1/2019 5.5% 7/1/2018 5.0%	Annual – Dec
FY 2021 wage growth was 11.0% (Quarterly avg. BLS QCEW.)		
Cost Indicators		
Medical cost growth – annualized average cost excluding hearing loss based on fiscal service year. Adjusted to fiscal accident year 2018 claim count distribution.	5.4% (Fiscal Service Year ending 6/30/21) 0.2% (5 YR average from FYE 2016 to FYE 2021)	Annual – Ali Ishaq
state-fund TPD Pensions granted FY2021 as of Dec 2021	874	Annual – Dec Cindy Ranger
self-insured TPD Pensions granted FY2021 as of Dec 2021	85	Annual – Dec Cindy Ranger
state-fund fatal Pensions granted FY2021 as of Dec 2021	46	Annual – Dec Cindy Ranger
self-insured fatal Pensions granted FY2021 as of Dec 2021	14	Annual – Dec Cindy Ranger
Average cost: (estimate based on claims from accident year ending 6/30/21 as of 9/30/21) ²		

Medical-only claims average	\$ 2,500 - 67.9% of counts	Annual – Bill Vasek
Compensable ³ claims average	\$ 84,300 - 32.1% of counts	Annual – Bill Vasek
Short-term compensable (less than 12 months of time-loss)	\$ 16,200 - 26.2% of counts	Annual – Bill Vasek
Long-term disability claims (more than 12 months of time-loss)	\$ 386,500 - 5.9% of counts	Annual - Bill Vasek
TPD Pension claim—Average cost of all benefits paid including medical	\$1,402,500 - 1.1% of counts	Annual – Bill Vasek

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, 2021 based on data as of September 30, 2021 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 FY2021

Number of self-insured employers and workers covered	351 employers (FY2021) 874,680 workers covered (FY2021) - about 25% of all covered workers.	Annual – SI MGMT Reports
Number and percent of compensable claims from self-insured employers. Source: Data warehouse	14,514 compensable claims for fiscal accident year 2021 or 38% of combined state and self-insured compensable claims.	Annual – Lisann Rolle

Worker Safety and Health Federal FFY 2021 (Oct 1, 2020 - Sept 30, 2021)

Worksites under L&I's jurisdiction (non-federal)	252,000	Annual – Craig Blackwood
Inspectors	138	Annual – Craig Blackwood
Consultants	49	Annual – Craig Blackwood
Inspections	4,526	Annual – Craig Blackwood
Consultations	1,833	Annual – Craig Blackwood
Worker Injury compensable claims rate	1,395 per 100,000 FTE's 4 qtr rolling average through 2021Q2 (resulting in > 3 days missed from work)	Annual – Lisann Rolle
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 – Lisann Rolle
Most commonly reported workplace injury	One of every ten compensable claims is a sprain or strain of the back from overexertion or repetitive motion.	Annual – David Bonauto
Worker fatality causes	Transportation incidents (20); assaults and violent acts (20); struck by or caught in objects (16); falls, slips, and trips (15); exposure to harmful substances (12).	Annual – David Bonauto
Most frequently cited hazards	1) Accident prevention programs 2) Hazard communication; written programs, and employee training and information 3) Fall protection	Annual – Craig Blackwood

Fraud Prevention and Labor Standards FY 2021

Dollars collected	\$293.1 million, of which more than \$275.1 was delinquent premiums	Annual - Celeste Monahan
Worker investigations completed	more than 6,000	Annual - Celeste Monahan
Total benefit costs avoided on worker fraud investigations	Over \$5.0 million (FY 2020)	Annual - Celeste Monahan
Return on investment	\$8.87 for every \$1 spent (FY 2020)	Annual - Celeste Monahan

Total employer audits completed	more than 1,800	Annual - Celeste Monahan
Percentage of employers found to owe debts after L&I audit	43%	Annual - Celeste Monahan
Audit premium assessments	more than \$17 million	Annual - Celeste Monahan
Number of unregistered employers found and audited	over 550	Annual - Celeste Monahan
Number of public works contracts reviewed to ensure contractors paid workers' comp premiums	4,000 worth \$6.6 billion	Annual - Celeste Monahan
Amount identified as L&I overpayments to healthcare providers	\$1.2 million	Annual - Celeste Monahan
Fraud cases investigated, prepared and/or referred to AG's office for criminal charges	3	Annual - Celeste Monahan
Prevailing wage online intent and affidavit filings	167,242	Annual - Celeste Monahan
Prevailing wage cases received	317	Annual - Celeste Monahan
Prevailing wages returned to workers	\$877,718	Annual - Celeste Monahan
New apprenticeship registrations	6,210	Annual - Celeste Monahan
Apprenticeships completed	2,561	Annual - Celeste Monahan
Wage complaints received	over 3,700	Annual - Celeste Monahan
Wages returned to workers	over \$1.7 million	Annual - Celeste Monahan
Public Safety FY 2021		
Contractors registered	64,241	Annual – Corki Stamey
Construction compliance jobsite visits	9,568	Annual – Corki Stamey
Construction underground economy violations issued	1,637	Annual – Corki Stamey
Journeyman and specialty plumbers certified	6,575	Annual – Corki Stamey
Plumber trainees verified and certified	4,838	Annual – Corki Stamey
Number of electrical inspections	272,731 (90% within 48 hours)	Annual – Corki Stamey
Number of elevator/escalator inspections	15,611	Annual – Corki Stamey
Number of manufactured home alteration permits inspected	12,507	Annual – Corki Stamey
Number of boiler/pressure vessel inspections	14,912	Annual – Corki Stamey
Budget Biennium 2021-23 (as of 7/23/21 EAS)		
Operating appropriation	\$922.8 million	Bien. – Melody Porter
FTE allocation	3,216.20	Bien. – Melody Porter
Funds Breakdown	Accident Acct \$392.6 million (state and federal)	Bien. – Melody Porter

Medical Aid Acct \$380.8 million (state and federal)
 General Fund-State \$29.5 million, General Fund-Federal
 \$11.9 million, Electrical License Acct \$58.4 million,
 Construction Registration Inspection Acct \$29.8 million,
 Other \$19.8 million
 *Note: Not included in the Operating appropriation:
 Allocations for NonAppropriated/Allotted \$6.5 million

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