

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

WA State Fund and Self-Insured Claims Established between Feb 26, 2020 and Dec 3, 2021

Industry Sector <sup>1</sup>	Claims Filed <sup>2</sup>	Quarantine <sup>3</sup>	Known Positive Laboratory Test <sup>4</sup>	Hospitalized	Fatal	Claims Accepted	Claims Not Yet Allowed
Health Care & Social Assistance	6,737	6,412	4,681	101	24	6,371	9
Public Administration	1,832	1,769	1,065	39	9	1,704	10
Educational Services	548	527	460	11	1	515	1
Admin & Support & Waste Mgmt.	353	343	268	5	-	274	8
Retail Trade	182	177	126	6	1	70	5
Agricult., Forestry, Fish & Hunting	170	161	131	5	7	93	8
Accommodation & Food Services	149	137	59	4	1	58	1
Other Svcs.(except Public Admin.)	132	115	59	-	-	105	1
Manufacturing	131	118	67	4	4	21	5
Construction	113	97	57	2	1	18	13
Transportation & Warehousing	113	104	54	7	1	41	3
Wholesale Trade	65	62	21	1	-	9	1
Professional, Sci., & Tech. Svcs.	55	53	31	-	-	22	1
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	30	27	11	-	-	8	2
Arts, Entertainment, & Rec.	17	16	15	-	-	5	-
Finance & Insurance	9	8	4	-	-	-	-
Information	7	7	4	-	-	3	-
Utilities	3	3	2	-	-	2	1
Mgmt. of Companies & Enterprises	2	2	2	-	-	1	-
Unknown Industry, Not Specified	22	19	15	2	1	3	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,670</b>	<b>10,157</b>	<b>7,132</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>9,323</b>	<b>69</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. 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. We linked L&I claim records with COVID-19 data from the WA Department of Health to identify 1.6% 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](#).