

Australian Workers' Compensation Statistics Report 2018-19*

Key findings

Serious claims in 2018-19p*



Number of serious Australian workers' compensation claims in 2018-19p*

114,435

Frequency rate of serious claims
per million hours worked 2018-19p*



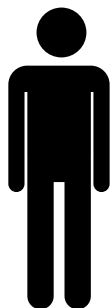
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Incidence rate of serious claims
per 1,000 employees 2018-19p*

9.4



Frequency rate of serious claims
per million hours worked by gender 2018-19p*



6.2

men

5.1

women



Main causes of serious claims
(by mechanism of incident) in 2018-19p*



36%

Body stressing



23%

Falls, trips, and
slips of a person



16%

Being hit by
moving objects

Notes:

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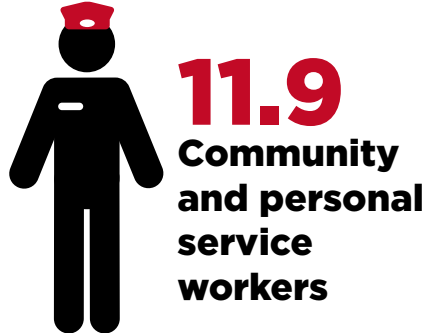
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Three occupations with the highest rates of serious claims
(per million hours worked in 2018-19p*)



Three industries with the highest rates of serious claims
(per million hours worked in 2018-19p*)



Serious claims 2008-09 to 2017-18

Frequency rate of serious claims per million hours worked



decreased by 26%

from 7.7 to 5.7 serious claims per million hours worked



Median time lost for
a serious claim
**increased by
24%** from 5.0 to 6.2
working weeks



Total number of serious
claims in Australia
**declined by
12%** from 126,115 to
110,810 serious claims

despite the number of workers increasing by
nearly 20% over the same period.

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