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The National Data Set for Workers’ Compensation Statistics specifications were previously published in 2004 by the National Occupational Health and Safety Commission (NOHSC). The aim of such a dataset is to provide information on the incidence and severity of occupational injury and disease for inclusion into National publications and policies. All concepts and definitions have been made in consultation with Australian workers’ compensation jurisdictions. This revision reflects recent changes made to the original specifications.
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Introduction

From its establishment, the National Occupational Health and Safety Commission (NOHSC) has been concerned to ensure relevant, timely and comparable national statistics on occupational health and safety (OHS) are available. In 1986, NOHSC undertook a comprehensive investigation of potential data sources. Following this investigation it was determined that state and territory workers' compensation systems offered the best data source for facilitating improvements in OHS in terms of scope and coverage considerations, ease of collection and cost.

Since workers' compensation is the responsibility of the states and territories, claims legislation is not consistent across Australia. Consequently, claims statistics are not collected in a comparable way. To overcome this lack of uniformity in data collection, a national data set for compensation-based statistics was developed. Following a series of consultative meetings between Australian government and state agencies, employers, unions and experts in the occupational health and safety field, the National Data Set for Compensation-based Statistics (NDS) was endorsed by NOHSC in 1987. The NDS listed a standard set of data items, concepts and definitions for inclusion in workers' compensation systems operating in Australia. Its primary purpose was to enable the production of national and nationally-comparable workers' compensation-based data. Since its release, the NDS has been implemented in workers' compensation-based collections administered by state, territory and Australian government agencies.

A review of the NDS was undertaken by NOHSC five years after implementation in the various jurisdictions. This was to enable data items, concepts and definitions to be adjusted to take account of difficulties and ambiguities revealed once the system was in place and to reflect changes in the uses made of the data. The second edition of the NDS incorporated changes to the parameters of the original NDS, and was introduced into jurisdictions’ systems from 1 July 2000.

Since 1998, NDS data have been used to calculate the OHS indicators in the Comparative Performance Monitoring Report (CPM). In 1999 the Workplace Relations Ministers’ Council (WRMC) extended the data collection role of NOHSC to include all data required to calculate the full range of CPM indicators. Against this background, the NDS was reviewed by NOHSC to assess how these additional data items could best be integrated within the existing NDS.

This third edition of the NDS represents the outcome of the review and includes changes to the parameters of the second edition of the NDS and information on both OHS and scheme and claim management. The NDS 3rd edition becomes effective from 1 July 2005.

Throughout the review of the NDS, Safe Work Australia has received considerable co-operation from all government, union, industry and expert representatives approached for assistance. Safe Work Australia wishes to express its appreciation to all of these bodies for their valuable contribution to the development of this report.
Objectives and Uses

Objectives

1.1 The overall objectives of the NDS are to:

- assist in the prevention of occupational injury and disease by producing uniform national and nationally-comparable indicators of occupational health and safety performance and experience; and
- assist in workers’ compensation scheme management.

Analysis

1.2 The NDS data will be analysed in a variety of ways by a number of different users. Some of the more important types of analyses are:

- calculation of measurement rates;
- jurisdictional comparisons;
- time series analysis;
- industry and occupational analysis; and
- analysis of causal factors.

Calculation of Measurement Rates

1.3 The value of the NDS is enhanced by the availability of suitable denominator data to enable the production of incidence and frequency rates. The incidence rate is the number of reported injuries/diseases per thousand workers; the frequency rate is the number of reported injuries/diseases per million hours worked. These rates enable more precise analysis of NDS data by removing the effect of fluctuating and differing employment levels. This is particularly necessary in time series analysis and jurisdictional comparisons.

1.4 The ABS has developed labour force denominator data suitable for use in calculating rates using NDS-based data. The methodology used to estimate the labour force denominators is periodically reviewed by the ABS to take account of the impact of changing working arrangements (for example, contracting out) on the denominator data.
Jurisdictional Comparisons

1.5 The calculation of measurement rates for workers' compensation jurisdictions enables comparisons of OHS performance and scheme management between the jurisdictions. The data are used as high-level indicators for the purposes of comparative performance monitoring.

Time Series Analysis

1.6 Time series analysis will be used mainly to monitor the occupational health and safety and workers' compensation experience of individual groups. A time series analysis of the rates for a particular group can help in the evaluation of the success or otherwise of specific occupational health and safety strategies.

Industry and Occupational Analysis

1.7 An analysis of industry and occupation data enables:
   - identification of high-risk (and emerging high-risk) groups; and
   - jurisdictions and employers to compare their performance.

Analysis of Causal Factors

1.8 Analysis of the type of occurrence data items, that is, nature, bodily location, mechanism, breakdown agency and agency of injury or disease, helps in the identification of the nature and causes of the problem and enables research, resources and risk reduction strategies to be better targeted.

Dissemination

1.9 Safe Work Australia will disseminate the NDS data through:
   - hard copy publications;
   - information placed on the Safe Work Australia website (http://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au); and
   - contribution to the CPM project.
Concepts and Methods

OVERVIEW

2.1 The previous edition of the NDS included specifications of two formats of data for collection; Format 1 - Claim information and Format 2 - Scheme information. Due to many difficulties in collection, scheme information was not collected, and so has been excluded from this publication.

Scope

2.2 In this edition of the NDS the scope has been determined as all new cases reported in the reference year, for which liability was either accepted or rejected, or a decision on liability is pending. Claims that were subsequently withdrawn by the claimant or disallowed on the basis of not being within the scope of the scheme are excluded.

2.3 Information should be collected in respect of all workers' compensation lodged with any party (e.g. employer, insurer or workers' compensation authority) and meeting the criteria outlined at 2.3.

Unit of Enumeration

2.4 The statistical unit of enumeration is the case. A case is any new workers' compensation claim made by, or for, a worker. Multiple claims for the same incident should only be counted once.

Period of Enumeration

2.5 The period of enumeration for the collection is the year ending 30 June (i.e. the reference year).

Basis of Recording

2.6 The basis of recording is all new cases with a date of lodgement with the insurer (including self-insurers) in the reference year.
Date of Extraction

2.7 Jurisdictions are to extract data from their claims database as at 30 November (i.e. five months after the end of the reference year) with the status of the claims as outlined at 2.3 above.

2.8 Jurisdictions are to supply the unit record file to Safe Work Australia by 28 February in the following calendar year.

Updating of Cases

2.9 Cases should be updated to incorporate changes to NDS records. It is expected that this may involve changes to claim status, date determined, work status, fatality indicator, nature of injury or disease, bodily location of injury or disease, mechanism of incident, time lost and compensation paid data. Cases reopened within five years of the original claim would need to be linked to the original case so updating can occur.

2.10 Jurisdictions are to supply to Safe Work Australia unit record files containing updated NDS data for the five years prior to the reference year at the same time as the reference year unit record file is supplied. A unit record NDS file for all claims lodged six or more years prior to the reference year, and for which claim activity has occurred in the reference year, should also be supplied.

Definitions of Occupational Injury and Disease

2.11 Occupational Injuries are defined as all employment-related injuries that are the result of a single traumatic event occurring while a person is on duty or during a recess period and where there was a short or non-existent latency period. This includes injuries which are the result of a single exposure to an agent(s) causing an acute toxic effect.

2.12 Occupational Diseases are defined as all employment-related diseases that result from repeated or long-term exposure to an agent(s) or event(s) or that are the result of a single traumatic event where there was a long latency period (e.g. the development of hepatitis following a single exposure to the infection).
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G. PAYMENTS FOR GOODS AND SERVICES
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G35 Payments for other goods and services year 6+

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H14 Non-compensation payments - other year 6+
A. RECORD IDENTIFIER

Item A1  Unique record identifier

Description:  Uniquely identifies each record
Purpose:  Enables tracking of records
Classification/Coding:  Two or three letter string identifying jurisdiction followed by 22 or 23 alphanumeric characters uniquely identifying the record.
Length:  25
Position:  1-25

B. CLAIM PROCESS DETAILS

Item B1  Claim status

Description:  Current claim status
Purpose:  To enable the identification of claims currently within the NDS2 scope and to allow analysis of rejection rates.
Classification/Coding:  Numeric format. To be recorded using the following classification:

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<td>Accepted</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>02</td>
<td>Pending</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03</td>
<td>Rejected</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Length:  2
Position:  26-27
Comment:  Refers to acceptance or denial of liability by the insurer. Pending should be used for those claims for which liability has not yet been determined.

Where the employer is the sole arbiter of liability, this refers to the acceptance or denial of liability by the employer.

This data item can be used to assist in determining which data modules need to be supplied for the record.
### Item B2  Date determined

**Description:** The date the insurer accepted or denied liability for the claim.

**Purpose:** To enable analysis of the time taken to determine liability of the claim from the date of lodgement.

**Classification/Coding:** Date of determination. Numeric format specified as DDMMYYYY.

**Length:** 8

**Position:** 28-35

**Comment:** This item should be left blank for claims on which a determination of liability is pending. If the determination of liability is changed, this data item should reflect the date the most recent liability determination was made. For example, if liability for a claim was originally denied but this decision is later overturned and liability is accepted, this data item should reflect the date the acceptance of liability was determined.

Where the employer is the sole arbiter of liability, this is the date the employer accepted or denied liability for the claim.

### Item B3  Date of report to employer

**Description:** The date the claim was reported to the employer.

**Purpose:** To enable analysis of the time taken between the date of injury and the date the claim was reported to the employer.

**Classification/Coding:** Date of report to employer. Numeric format specified as DDMMYYYY.

**Length:** 8

**Position:** 36-43

### Item B4  Date of notification/lodgement of claim

**Description:** The earlier of the date the employer notified the insurer of the claim and the date the claim was lodged with the insurer.

**Purpose:** To enable the identification of cases to be included in a year’s statistics and to enable analysis of time taken between lodgement and determination of liability as outlined under date determined.

**Classification/Coding:** Date of lodgement of claim. Numeric format specified as DDMMYYYY.

**Length:** 8

**Position:** 44-51
Comment: Where the employer is the sole arbiter of liability, this is the date on which a claim for compensation was notified/lodged with the employer.

**Item B5 Work status**

**Description:** The claimant’s last known work status.

**Purpose:** To enable the analysis of return-to-work (RTW) outcomes.

**Classification/Coding:** Numeric format. To be recorded using the following classification:

- 01 Working with no income maintenance – unknown employer
- 02 Working with no income maintenance – pre-injury employer
- 03 Working with no income maintenance – different employer
- 04 Working with income maintenance – unknown employer
- 05 Working with income maintenance – pre-injury employer
- 06 Working with income maintenance – different employer
- 07 Working – capacity unknown
- 08 Not working with no income maintenance
- 09 Not working with income maintenance
- 10 Deceased
- 11 Unknown

**Length:** 2

**Position:** 52-53

**Comment:** Work status should be updated each year until the case is finalised.
Definitions for the classification are:

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<td>Working</td>
<td>Working with no income maintenance - unknown employer</td>
<td>Employee is currently working and it is unknown whether work is with pre-injury employer or different employer and is not receiving any income maintenance.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>02</td>
<td>Working</td>
<td>Working with no income maintenance – pre-injury employer</td>
<td>Employee is currently working with the pre-injury employer and is not receiving any income maintenance.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03</td>
<td>Working</td>
<td>Working with no income maintenance – different employer</td>
<td>Employee is currently working with a different employer and is not receiving any income maintenance.</td>
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<tr>
<td>04</td>
<td>Working</td>
<td>Working with income maintenance -unknown employer</td>
<td>Employee is currently working and it is unknown whether work is with pre-injury employer or different employer and is receiving income maintenance. Income maintenance payments may be due to the employee working fewer hours than prior to the injury/disease or due to the employee working the same hours but in a job with lower remuneration and is receiving top-up payments.</td>
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<tr>
<td>05</td>
<td>Working</td>
<td>Working with income maintenance – pre-injury employer</td>
<td>Employee is currently working with the pre-injury employer, but is receiving some income maintenance. Income maintenance payments may be due to the employee working fewer hours than prior to the injury/disease or due to the employee working the same hours but in a job with lower remuneration and is receiving top-up payments.</td>
</tr>
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<td>Working</td>
<td>Working with income maintenance – different employer</td>
<td>Employee is currently working with a different employer, but is receiving some income maintenance. Income maintenance payments may be due to the employee working fewer hours than prior to the injury/disease or due to the employee working the same hours but in a job with lower remuneration and is receiving top-up payments.</td>
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<td>07</td>
<td>Working</td>
<td>Working – capacity unknown</td>
<td>Employee is at work however it is unclear whether the worker is back at full or partial capacity, or is or is not receiving income maintenance.</td>
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<td>08</td>
<td>Not working</td>
<td>Not working with no income maintenance</td>
<td>Employee is not working and is no longer receiving income maintenance. For example, redundancy, retrenchment, resigned, studying, seasonal worker.</td>
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<td>09</td>
<td>Not working</td>
<td>Not working with income maintenance</td>
<td>Employee is not working at all and is receiving income maintenance.</td>
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<tr>
<td>10</td>
<td></td>
<td>Deceased</td>
<td>Employee is deceased. Includes deaths related to the compensated injury and death unrelated to the compensated injury.</td>
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<tr>
<td>11</td>
<td>Unknown</td>
<td></td>
<td>Employee is no longer eligible for compensation and his or her work status is unknown. For example, employee has reached retirement age, payment thresholds have been reached, or a redemption lump sum has been paid and the work status is unknown. This code may be used as a default code where there is no work status for an individual.</td>
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<td>Date of first day back at work (in any capacity)</td>
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<td>B9</td>
<td>End date of the last pay period for which weekly benefits were paid</td>
<td>The date of the claimant’s end date of the last pay period for which weekly benefits were paid.</td>
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C. CLAIMANT DETAILS

Item C1 Industry of employer

Description: Industry of employer relates to the main activity of the establishment at which the worker was employed at the time of reporting the occupational injury or disease.

Purpose: To enable between-industry and within-industry comparisons of occupational injury/disease experience.

Classification/Coding: The establishment, at the time of reporting the employment injury, coded to the four-digit level of the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC, ABS Cat. no. 1292.0). Numeric format.

Length: 4

Position: 54-57

Comment: The unit records of cases should include a leading zero in the Industry of Employer data item if the relevant ANZSIC code has a leading zero.

The industry of employer should be recorded in relation to the establishment at which the worker was employed, irrespective of where the injury/disease event occurred. The industry of the workplace at which the injury/disease event occurred should be coded at D2 Industry of workplace. For example, a worker employed by a labour hire firm but working in the mining industry would have their industry of employer recorded as Property and Business Services, and their industry of workplace as Mining.
### Item C2  Size of employer

**Description:** The number of FTE workers employed by the enterprise for which the claimant works.

**Purpose:** To enable investigation of size of business factors on occupational injury/disease experience.

**Classification/Coding:** The total number of workers employed by the enterprise. Numeric format.

**Comment:** If the number of FTE workers is not known, this figure can be derived. The methodology for calculation involves dividing remuneration of the employer by the average yearly earnings for that industry. The remuneration figure used in the calculation should be that provided by the employer for the purpose of premium calculation. The average yearly earnings should be derived by taking the average weekly earnings for the industry division level (available as a special request from the ABS survey of Average Weekly Earnings (AWE), Cat. no. 1291.0) and multiplying by 52 weeks.

The second edition of the NDS refers to employer size at the enterprise rather than the establishment level, which was recommended in the first edition.

**Length:** 6

**Position:** 58-63

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### Item C3  Date of birth

**Description:** The date of birth of the worker making the claim for an injury or disease.

**Purpose:** To facilitate analysis of occupational injury/disease experience by age of worker.

**Classification/Coding:** Date of birth. Numeric format specified as DDMMYYYY.

**Comment:** Age will be derived from the date of birth and the date of occurrence/report.

**Length:** 8

**Position:** 64-71
Item C4  Sex
Description: The sex of the worker.
Purpose: To facilitate analysis of occupational injury/disease experience by sex of worker.
Classification/Coding: Alphanumeric format. To be recorded as male or female coded according to the following classification:
M Male
F Female
Length: 1
Position: 72

Item C5  Postcode of residence
Description: The postcode of the worker’s residential address.
Purpose: To enable analysis of return-to-work rates by location to determine the effect, if any, of reduced access to medical and rehabilitation services.
Classification/Coding: Numeric format.
Length: 4
Position: 73-76
Comment: If the residential postcode is unavailable then the postcode of the worker’s postal address may be substituted.

Item C6  Occupation
Description: The worker’s occupation at the time of the injury or reporting of the occupational disease.
Purpose: To enable between-occupation and within-occupation analysis of occupational injury/disease experience.
Classification/Coding: Australian and New Zealand Standard Classification of Occupations, First Edition (ANZSCO, ABS Cat. no. 1220.0) at the four-digit unit group level. Numeric format.
Length: 4
Position: 77-80
Comment: The ANZSCO classification, together with a windows-based, computer-assisted coding system, is available from the ABS on CD-ROM (ABS Cat. no. 1220.0.30.001).

Occupation data should not be confused with activity at the time of the incident or report. The activity at that time may have been entirely unrelated to the worker’s occupation.

**Item C7 Duty status**

**Description:** The worker’s duty status at the time of the injury or disease.

**Purpose:** To enable separate analysis of injuries according to the activity of the employee at the time of injury or disease.

**Classification/Coding:** Numeric format. To be recorded using the following classification:

- 01 At work - working at normal workplace
- 02 At work - road traffic accident
- 03 At work - on break
- 04 Commuting/journey
- 05 Away from work during recess period
- 06 At work - working away from normal workplace

**Length:** 2

**Position:** 81-82

**Comment:** Occupational diseases that are a result of long-term exposure to an agent or event should be coded to duty status ‘01’ unless sufficient information is available which will enable coding to either ‘01’ or ‘06’. For occupational diseases that are the result of a single traumatic event (for example, a needle stick injury leading to a hepatitis infection) the duty status at the time of the occurrence that lead to the disease should be coded.

The definitions for the Classification are:

- **01 At work - working at normal workplace:** The injury or disease occurred while the worker was working at their normal workplace or base of operations.

- **02 At work - road traffic accident:** The worker is at work and sustains an injury or disease that occurred as a result of an accident involving a motor vehicle, bicycle or other vehicle on a public road as defined under relevant motor accidents legislation. For example, a truck driver’s vehicle is involved in a road traffic accident while moving a load from one location to another on a public road. This code applies whether the case is a driver, passenger or pedestrian but does not apply to commuting or any other prescribed journey claims nor to accidents occurring where the worker is absent from the workplace during an authorised work break.

- **03 At work - on break:** Refers to the paid or unpaid period within the shift during which the worker has taken an authorised break from work and is still covered for compensation.
04 *Commuting/journey:* Injury or disease that occurred while the worker is travelling directly between home and workplace or place of pick-up. This code may also apply to situations where the worker is travelling for work-related educational purposes or for treatment in relation to a compensable injury (legislation may vary across jurisdictions).

05 *Away from work during recess period:* Injury or disease - including vehicle accidents - that occurred where the claimant has gone to work, but is temporarily absent from the workplace, during an ordinary recess or authorised absence.

06 *At work - working away from normal workplace:* Injury or disease that occurred while the worker is working at a location other than the worker’s normal workplace or base of operations.

**Item C8 Number of hours usually worked each week**

**Description:** The number of hours and minutes usually worked each week by the injured worker.

**Purpose:** To enable the consistent treatment of injuries sustained by workers engaged in non-standard employment arrangements.

**Classification/Coding:** The number of hours and minutes usually worked each week (including overtime) by the injured worker. Format numeric specified as HHHMM. If number of hours usually worked each week is reported in whole hours and parts thereof then the decimal place should be converted to minutes (for example, 37.5 hours equates to 37 hours and 30 minutes). If minutes are not known the MM columns should be zero filled.

**Length:** 5

**Position:** 83-87

**Comment:** Recording the number of hours and minutes usually worked each week will enable: (i) the comparability of the data across jurisdictions to be increased through the application of a standard method for treatment of part-time workers; and (ii) analyses based on varying risk exposure thresholds to be undertaken. For example, the OHS experience of employees who work less than 35 hours each week (part-timers) could be examined.

Overtime (defined as work undertaken which is outside, or in addition to, ordinary working hours of the employee in their main job, whether paid or unpaid) which is usually worked each week should be included in the calculation of number of hours usually worked.
<table>
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<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Purpose</th>
<th>Classification/Coding</th>
<th>Length</th>
<th>Position</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>C9</td>
<td>Normal weekly earnings</td>
<td>To enable comparison between the level of benefits paid to the claimant and the claimant’s pre-injury earnings to assess the cost of the injury/disease to the claimant.</td>
<td>Gross weekly earnings rounded in whole dollars. Numeric format.</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>88-92</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C10</td>
<td>Labour hire indicator</td>
<td>Indicates employees working through a labour hire firm. To enable investigation of occupational injury/disease experience for employees working through a labour hire firm.</td>
<td>numeric format. To be recorded using the following classification: 1 Employee working through labour hire firm – A person who is paid by, and/or listed on the books of, one employer but is hired out, often on a short-term basis, to other employers. 2 Other – all other employment arrangements.</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>93</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
4. National Data Set Specifications for Format 1

Item C11  Apprentice/trainee indicator

Description: Indicates whether the injured worker is an apprentice/trainee.

Purpose: To enable investigation of occupational injury/disease experience for apprentices/trainees.

Classification/Coding: Numeric format. To be recorded using the following classification:

1 Apprentice/trainee – A person undertaking training through an apprenticeship or traineeship, where the training is regulated by law or custom and combines on-the-job training and work experience while in paid employment, with formal off-the-job training. Such an arrangement usually involves a contract of training or training agreement between employer and employee, which imposes mutual obligations on both parties.

2 Other – all other employment arrangements.

Length: 1

Position: 94

Item C12  Self insurance indicator

Description: Relates to the type of arrangement the employer of the worker uses to insure their risk for workers’ compensation.

Purpose: To enable investigation of occupational injury/disease experience by insured/ self-insured sectors.

Classification/Coding:

1 Self-insured – the injured worker’s employer operates under a self-insurance arrangement for workers’ compensation (i.e. is exempt from paying premiums).

2 Insured – the injured worker’s employer has insured their workers’ compensation risk with a government or private insurance company.

3 Not known

Length: 1

Position: 975

Comment: Table of values for Self-insurance flag (C12) from the insurer type
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Item C13</th>
<th>Date of death</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Description:</td>
<td>The date of death of the worker resulting from an injury or disease. This is used only for claims where Severity Indicator (item E2) is 1.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Purpose:</td>
<td>To enable data matching between Workers Compensation Statistics (NDS) and other data sources.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Classification/Coding:</td>
<td>Date of death. Format numeric specified as DDMMYYYY.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Length:</td>
<td>8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Position:</td>
<td>976-983</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Comment:</td>
<td>This data item should be left blank for claims where Severity Indicator (item E2) is 2 or 3.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
D. OCCURRENCE DETAILS

Item D1  Date of occurrence/report

Description: The date on which the injury occurred or the occupational disease was first reported to the employer.

Purpose: To enable provision of time series data and provide a basis of investigation of any seasonal variation of occurrences. To investigate the effect delays between the date of occurrence/report and the date of determination have on the overall cost of the claim.

Classification/Coding: Date of occurrence/report. Format numeric specified as DDMMYYYY.

Length: 8

Position: 95-102

Item D2  Industry of workplace

Description: Industry of workplace relates to the main activity of the establishment at which the worker was injured or experienced the exposure resulting in disease.

Purpose: To enable analysis of the industry directly responsible for the injury/disease.

Classification/Coding: The establishment, at the time of injury or exposure, coded to the four-digit level of the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC, ABS Cat. no. 1292.0). Numeric format.

Length: 4

Position: 103-106

Comment: The unit records of cases should include a leading zero in the Industry of Employer data item if the relevant ANZSIC code has a leading zero.

The industry of workplace should be recorded in relation to the establishment at which the worker was injured or experienced the exposure resulting in disease, irrespective of the industry of their employer. The industry of employer should be coded at C1 Industry of employer. For example, a worker employed by a labour hire firm but working in the mining industry would have their industry of employer recorded as Property and Business Services, and their industry of workplace as Mining.
### Item D3  Postcode of workplace

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Description</th>
<th>The postcode of the workplace at which the worker was injured or experienced the exposure resulting in disease.</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Purpose</td>
<td>To enable analysis of injury/disease rates by location, for example, comparison of urban and rural rates.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Classification/Coding</td>
<td>Numeric format.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Length</td>
<td>4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Position</td>
<td>107-110</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Comment</td>
<td>For injuries or exposures occurring on any form of transport, the postcode should be left blank. The same rule should be used for workers injured overseas.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
0 to 0 Type of occurrence data items

The type of occurrence data items should be coded to the *Type of Occurrence Classification System, Third Edition* (TOOCS3, NOHSC, 2004).

Item D4 Nature of injury/disease

**Description:** The nature of injury/disease is intended to identify the most serious injury or disease sustained or suffered by the worker. The injury or disease suffered is generally physical although the classification includes categories for mental illness.

**Purpose:** To enable the analysis of the distribution of types of injury or disease and to relate specific types of injury or disease to the processes leading to them.

**Classification/Coding:** The nature of injury/disease classification given in TOOCS3 is to be used. Format numeric.

**Length:** 3

**Position:** 111-113

**Comment:** The classification should be used for coding both injuries and diseases.

The classification was developed as an aggregated version of the International Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, 10th Revision, Australian Modification. The classification has been structured hierarchically and consists of eleven divisions (first digit level), which are divided into a number of codes at the two digit level. In order to provide a capacity to expand on the number of codes available, a third digit level has been incorporated.

The classification relies on sufficient detail being available to allow the allocation of appropriate codes. Where the description given on the report form is inadequate, coders should use any other information that is available, for example, medical certificates or other information given in the report, or, where possible, by directly querying the injured worker to determine the required information.

Nature of injury codes 010 to 090 can only be correctly specified by including the leading zero.
## Item D5  Bodily location of injury/disease

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Description:</th>
<th>The bodily location of injury/disease is intended to identify the part of the body affected by the most serious injury or disease.</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Purpose:</td>
<td>To enable analysis of employment injuries or diseases affecting specific bodily locations to assist in the development of prevention programs (for example, prevent eye injuries via an eye protection program). To enable more detailed analysis of the injury or disease event.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Classification/Coding:</td>
<td>The bodily location of injury/disease classification given in TOOCS3 is to be used. Format numeric.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Length:</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Position:</td>
<td>114-116</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Comment:</td>
<td>The classification has been structured hierarchically and consists of nine divisions (first digit level) divided into several major groups (two digit level), which in turn consist of a number of sub-group codes (three digit level). The classification relies on sufficient detail being available to allow the allocation of appropriate codes. Where the description given on the report form is inadequate, coders should use any other information that is available, for example, medical certificates or other information given in the report, or, where possible, by directly querying the injured worker to determine the required information.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
**Item D6  Mechanism of incident**

**Description:** The mechanism of incident is intended to identify the action, exposure or event that was the direct cause of the most serious injury or disease.

**Purpose:** To facilitate analysis of the circumstances and events leading to the employment injury or disease enabling the identification of hazardous work practices or environments and development of suitable prevention strategies.

**Classification/Coding:** The mechanism of injury/disease classification given in TOOCS3 is to be used. Format numeric.

**Length:** 2

**Position:** 117-118

**Comment:**

The classification consists of a summary classification and a detailed listing that incorporates a comprehensive set of inclusions and exclusions for each code. The classification has been structured hierarchically and consists of nine divisions (first digit level), which are divided into a number of groups (two digit level).

The classification relies on sufficient detail being available to allow the allocation of appropriate codes. Where the description given on the report form is inadequate, coders should use any other information that is available, for example, other information given in the report, or, where possible, by directly querying the injured worker to determine the required information.

The mechanism of injury/disease codes with a leading zero (for example, those for Falls, Trips and Slips of a Person) can only be correctly specified by including the leading zero in unit records.
Item D7   Agency of injury/disease

Description: The agency of injury/disease refers to the object, substance or circumstance directly involved in inflicting the most serious injury or disease.

Purpose: To facilitate analysis of the circumstances and events leading to the employment injury or disease enabling the identification of hazardous work practices or environments and, ultimately, the development of suitable prevention strategies.

Classification/Coding: The agency of injury/disease classification given in TOOCS3 is to be used. Format numeric.

Length: 4

Position: 119-122

Comment: The classification consists of a summary classification and a detailed listing. The classification has been structured hierarchically and consists of nine divisions (first digit level) divided into a number of major groups (two digit level), which in turn consist of a number of individual sub-group codes (three digit level) and several minor sub-group codes (four digit level).

The classification relies on sufficient detail being available to allow the allocation of appropriate codes. Where the description given on the report form is inadequate, coders should use any other information that is available, for example, other information given in the report, or, where possible, by directly querying the injured worker to determine the required information.
Item D8  Breakdown agency of injury/disease

**Description:** The breakdown agency of injury/disease is intended to identify the object, substance or circumstance that was principally involved in, or most closely associated with, the point at which things started to go wrong and which ultimately led to the most serious injury or disease.

**Purpose:** To facilitate analysis of the circumstances and events leading to the employment injury enabling the identification of hazardous work practices or environments and, ultimately, the development of suitable prevention strategies.

**Classification/Coding:** The agency of injury/disease classification given in the TOOCS3 is to be used. Format numeric.

**Length:** 4

**Position:** 123-126

**Comment:** The classification consists of a summary classification and a detailed listing. The classification has been structured hierarchically and consists of nine divisions (first digit level) divided into a number of major groups (two digit level), which in turn consist of a number of individual sub-group codes (three digit level) and several minor sub-group codes (four digit level).

The classification relies on sufficient detail being available to allow the allocation of appropriate codes. Where the description given on the report form is inadequate, coders should use any other information that is available, for example, other information given in the report, or, where possible, by directly querying the injured worker to determine the required information.
E. OUTCOME OF OCCURRENCE

Item E1 Time lost

Description: The number of hours and minutes lost for which compensation was paid by any party (e.g. employer, insurer, workers’ compensation authority).

Purpose: To provide an indication of the severity of injury or disease occurrences and to identify records meeting the publication scope.

Classification/Coding: The number of hours and minutes lost for which compensation was paid. Format numeric, specified as HHHHHMM, right justified and zero filled. If number of hours lost are reported in whole hours and parts thereof then the decimal place should be converted to minutes (e.g. 37.5 hours equates to 37 hours and 30 minutes). If minutes are not known the MM columns should be zero filled.

Length: 7

Position: 127-133

Comment: Collection of the number of hours and minutes lost for which compensation was paid will enable NDS-based data to be presented on a more comparable basis across jurisdictions. In combination with data item C8 Number of hours usually worked each week, part-time employment arrangements will be able to be accounted for in the collection.

Cases not finalised at the end of the reporting period will NOT require an estimate of future time lost to be included. However, time lost should be updated each year until the case is finalised.

For claims involving no compensated time lost this item should be zero filled.

Item E2 Severity indicator

Description: The compensated fatality indicator categorises cases as either fatal, total or partial permanent incapacity (as defined by jurisdictions), or temporary incapacity.

Purpose: To provide indicators of the severity of work-related injury or disease.

Classification/Coding: Format numeric. To be coded according to the following classification:

1 Fatal – all compensated fatalities, including situations where the worker subsequently dies from injuries or diseases sustained (including complications) in the accident or exposure to which the claim relates.

2 Total or partial permanent incapacity (as defined by jurisdictions).

3 Temporary incapacity.

Length: 1
Position: 134

Comment: This field was changed to the NDS2 definition following discussions with data suppliers.
F. COMPENSATION PAYMENTS

Description: All payments made to the worker or worker's family in compensation for the injury or disease as at the reporting date. This includes payments made below any non-compensable excess operated by workers’ compensation authorities.

Purpose: To provide an indicator of the economic cost of employment injuries and provide a basis for evaluation of planned prevention strategies. To enable the calculation of the level of benefits payable for particular injury or disease types and across jurisdictions.

Classification/Coding: Total amount of benefits paid as at the reporting date in whole dollars. Format numeric, right justified, zero filled.

Comment: Cases not finalised at the reporting date will not require an estimate of future payments to be included. However, payments should be updated each year until the case is finalised.

These data items will be used in conjunction with the pre-injury earnings to determine the direct cost of workplace injury or disease to the claimant. This is not the total cost of workplace injury or disease as other indirect costs may apply, for example, loss of future earnings.

Payments in the financial year are to be identified separately to allow indexing of payments for level of benefits indicators. Year X is the development year in which the payment was made, where X is defined as:

0 Payment is made in the same financial year as claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2000-01.

1 Payment is made one financial year following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2001-02.

2 Payment is made two financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2002-03.

3 Payment is made three financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2003-04.

4 Payment is made four financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2004-05.

5 Payment is made five financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2005-06.

6+ Payment is made six or more financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2006-07 or later.
4. National Data Set Specifications for Format 1

Item F1 Weekly benefits year 0
Description: The total amount of weekly benefits (full and partial) paid in development year 0.
Length: 8
Position: 135-142

Item F2 Weekly benefits year 1
Description: The total amount of weekly benefits (full and partial) paid in development year 1.
Length: 8
Position: 143-150

Item F3 Weekly benefits year 2
Description: The total amount of weekly benefits (full and partial) paid in development year 2.
Length: 8
Position: 151-158

Item F4 Weekly benefits year 3
Description: The total amount of weekly benefits (full and partial) paid in development year 3.
Length: 8
Position: 159-166

Item F5 Weekly benefits year 4
Description: The total amount of weekly benefits (full and partial) paid in development year 4.
Length: 8
Position: 167-174

Item F6 Weekly benefits year 5
Description: The total amount of weekly benefits (full and partial) paid in development year 5.
Length: 8
Position: 175-182
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Item F7  Weekly benefits year 6+

Description: The total amount of weekly benefits (full and partial) paid in development year 6 or more.

Length: 8

Position: 183-190

Item F8  Death benefit lump sum year 0

Description: The total paid to or in trust for a dependent spouse and other family members due to the death of a worker, paid in development year 0. Includes lump sums paid to dependents, pension benefits paid to dependents and funeral expenses.

Length: 8

Position: 191-198

Item F9  Death benefit lump sum year 1

Description: The total paid to or in trust for a dependent spouse and other family members due to the death of a worker, paid in development year 1. Includes lump sums paid to dependents, pension benefits paid to dependents and funeral expenses.

Length: 8

Position: 199-206

Item F10  Death benefit lump sum year 2

Description: The total paid to or in trust for a dependent spouse and other family members due to the death of a worker, paid in development year 2. Includes lump sums paid to dependents, pension benefits paid to dependents and funeral expenses.

Length: 8

Position: 207-214

Item F11  Death benefit lump sum year 3

Description: The total paid to or in trust for a dependent spouse and other family members due to the death of a worker, paid in development year 3. Includes lump sums paid to dependents, pension benefits paid to dependents and funeral expenses.

Length: 8

Position: 215-222
Item F12  Death benefit lump sum year 4

Description: The total paid to or in trust for a dependent spouse and other family members due to the death of a worker, paid in development year 4. Includes lump sums paid to dependents, pension benefits paid to dependents and funeral expenses.

Length: 8
Position: 223-230

Item F13  Death benefit lump sum year 5

Description: The total paid to or in trust for a dependent spouse and other family members due to the death of a worker, paid in development year 5. Includes lump sums paid to dependents, pension benefits paid to dependents and funeral expenses.

Length: 8
Position: 231-238

Item F14  Death benefit lump sum year 6+

Description: The total paid to or in trust for a dependent spouse and other family members due to the death of a worker, paid in development year 6 or more. Includes lump sums paid to dependents, pension benefits paid to dependents and funeral expenses.

Length: 8
Position: 239-246

Item F15  Redemption/commutation lump sum year 0

Description: The total paid to a worker for the settlement of weekly benefits, paid in development year 0.

Length: 8
Position: 247-254

Item F16  Redemption/commutation lump sum year 1

Description: The total paid to a worker for the settlement of weekly benefits, paid in development year 1.

Length: 8
Position: 255-262
Item F17  Redemption/commutation lump sum year 2
Description: The total paid to a worker for the settlement of weekly benefits, paid in development year 2.
Length: 8
Position: 263-270

Item F18  Redemption/commutation lump sum year 3
Description: The total paid to a worker for the settlement of weekly benefits, paid in development year 3.
Length: 8
Position: 271-278

Item F19  Redemption/commutation lump sum year 4
Description: The total paid to a worker for the settlement of weekly benefits, paid in development year 4.
Length: 8
Position: 279-286

Item F20  Redemption/commutation lump sum year 5
Description: The total paid to a worker for the settlement of weekly benefits in development year 5.
Length: 8
Position: 287-294

Item F21  Redemption/commutation lump sum year 6+
Description: The total paid to a worker for the settlement of weekly benefits in development year 6 or more.
Length: 8
Position: 295-302
Item F22  Impairment/non-economic lump sum year 0

Description: The total lump sum paid to a worker on account of permanent injuries, pain & suffering and/or other non-economic loss benefits as defined by the scheme, paid in development year 0. Includes any additional payments such as severe injury payments and gratuitous care.

Length: 8
Position: 303-310

Item F23  Impairment/non-economic lump sum year 1

Description: The total lump sum paid to a worker on account of permanent injuries, pain & suffering and/or other non-economic loss benefits as defined by the scheme, paid in development year 1. Includes any additional payments such as severe injury payments and gratuitous care.

Length: 8
Position: 311-318

Item F24  Impairment/non-economic lump sum year 2

Description: The total lump sum paid to a worker on account of permanent injuries, pain & suffering and/or other non-economic loss benefits as defined by the scheme, paid in development year 2. Includes any additional payments such as severe injury payments and gratuitous care.

Length: 8
Position: 319-326

Item F25  Impairment/non-economic lump sum year 3

Description: The total lump sum paid to a worker on account of permanent injuries, pain & suffering and/or other non-economic loss benefits as defined by the scheme, paid in development year 3. Includes any additional payments such as severe injury payments and gratuitous care.

Length: 8
Position: 327-334
**Item F26  Impairment/non-economic lump sum year 4**

**Description:** The total lump sum paid to a worker on account of permanent injuries, pain & suffering and/or other non-economic loss benefits as defined by the scheme, paid in development year 4. Includes any additional payments such as severe injury payments and gratuitous care.

**Length:** 8

**Position:** 335-342

**Item F27  Impairment/non-economic lump sum year 5**

**Description:** The total lump sum paid to a worker on account of permanent injuries, pain & suffering and/or other non-economic loss benefits as defined by the scheme, paid in development year 5. Includes any additional payments such as severe injury payments and gratuitous care.

**Length:** 8

**Position:** 343-350

**Item 28  Impairment/non-economic lump sum year 6+**

**Description:** The total lump sum paid to a worker on account of permanent injuries, pain & suffering and/or other non-economic loss benefits as defined by the scheme, paid in development year 6 or more. Includes any additional payments such as severe injury payments and gratuitous care.

**Length:** 8

**Position:** 351-358

**Item 29  Total statutory lump sum (excluding death lump sum) year 0**

**Description:** The total statutory lump sum (excluding death lump sum) paid to a worker including all benefits payable at items F15 and F22.

**Length:** 8

**Position:** 359-366

**Comment:** This item is only required if it is not possible to separately record the redemption/commutation and impairment/non-economic loss components of the lump sum.

**Item F30  Total statutory lump sum (excluding death lump sum) year 1**

**Description:** The total statutory lump sum (excluding death lump sum) paid to a worker including all benefits payable at items F16 and F23.

**Length:** 8

**Position:** 367-374
Comment: This item is only required if it is not possible to separately record the redemption/commutation and impairment/non-economic loss components of the lump sum.

Item F31  Total statutory lump sum (excluding death lump sum) year 2

Description: The total statutory lump sum (excluding death lump sum) paid to a worker including all benefits payable at items F17 and F24.

Length: 8

Position: 375-382

Comment: This item is only required if it is not possible to separately record the redemption/commutation and impairment/non-economic loss components of the lump sum.

Item F32  Total statutory lump sum (excluding death lump sum) year 3

Description: The total statutory lump sum (excluding death lump sum) paid to a worker including all benefits payable at items F18 and F25.

Length: 8

Position: 383-390

Comment: This item is only required if it is not possible to separately record the redemption/commutation and impairment/non-economic loss components of the lump sum.

Item F33  Total statutory lump sum (excluding death lump sum) year 4

Description: The total statutory lump sum (excluding death lump sum) paid to a worker including all benefits payable at items F19 and F26.

Length: 8

Position: 391-398

Comment: This item is only required if it is not possible to separately record the redemption/commutation and impairment/non-economic loss components of the lump sum.
Item F34  Total statutory lump sum (excluding death lump sum) year 5

Description: The total statutory lump sum (excluding death lump sum) paid to a worker including all benefits payable at items F20 and F27.

Length: 8

Position: 399-406

Comment: This item is only required if it is not possible to separately record the redemption/commutation and impairment/non-economic loss components of the lump sum.

Item F35  Total statutory lump sum (excluding death lump sum) year 6+

Description: The total statutory lump sum (excluding death lump sum) paid to a worker including all benefits payable at items F21 and F28.

Length: 8

Position: 407-414

Comment: This item is only required if it is not possible to separately record the redemption/commutation and impairment/non-economic loss components of the lump sum.

Item F36  Common law lump sum – economic year 0

Description: The total lump sum paid to a worker on account of economic loss (income replacement) under common law arrangements, paid in development year 0.

Length: 8

Position: 415-422

Item F37  Common law lump sum – economic year 1

Description: The total lump sum paid to a worker on account of economic loss (income replacement) under common law arrangements, paid in development year 1.

Length: 8

Position: 423-430

Item F38  Common law lump sum – economic year 2

Description: The total lump sum paid to a worker on account of economic loss (income replacement) under common law arrangements, paid in development year 2.

Length: 8

Position: 431-438
Item F39  Common law lump sum – economic year 3

Description:  The total lump sum paid to a worker on account of economic loss (income replacement) under common law arrangements, paid in development year 3.

Length: 8

Position: 439-446

Item F40  Common law lump sum – economic year 4

Description:  The total lump sum paid to a worker on account of economic loss (income replacement) under common law arrangements, paid in development year 4.

Length: 8

Position: 447-454

Item F41  Common law lump sum – economic year 5

Description:  The total lump sum paid to a worker on account of economic loss (income replacement) under common law arrangements, paid in development year 5.

Length: 8

Position: 455-462

Item F42  Common law lump sum – economic year 6+

Description:  The total lump sum paid to a worker on account of economic loss (income replacement) under common law arrangements, paid in development year 6 or more.

Length: 8

Position: 463-470

Item F43  Common law lump sum – non-economic year 0

Description:  The total lump sum paid to a worker on account of non-economic loss under common law arrangements, paid in development year 0. Excludes insurer’s and worker’s legal costs.

Length: 8

Position: 471-478
Item F44  Common law lump sum – non-economic year 1

Description:  The total lump sum paid to a worker on account of non-economic loss under common law arrangements, paid in development year 1. Excludes insurer’s and worker’s legal costs.

Length:  8

Position:  479-486

Item F45  Common law lump sum – non-economic year 2

Description:  The total lump sum paid to a worker on account of non-economic loss under common law arrangements, paid in development year 2. Excludes insurer’s and worker’s legal costs.

Length:  8

Position:  487-494

Item F46  Common law lump sum – non-economic year 3

Description:  The total lump sum paid to a worker on account of non-economic loss under common law arrangements, paid in development year 3. Excludes insurer’s and worker’s legal costs.

Length:  8

Position:  495-502

Item F47  Common law lump sum – non-economic year 4

Description:  The total lump sum paid to a worker on account of non-economic loss under common law arrangements, paid in development year 4. Excludes insurer’s and worker’s legal costs.

Length:  8

Position:  503-510
Item F48  Common law lump sum – non-economic year 5

Description:  The total lump sum paid to a worker on account of non-economic loss under common law arrangements, paid in development year 5. Excludes insurer’s and worker’s legal costs.

Length: 8

Position: 511-518

Item F49  Common law lump sum – non-economic year 6+

Description:  The total lump sum paid to a worker on account of non-economic loss under common law arrangements, paid in development year 6 or more. Excludes insurer’s and worker’s legal costs.

Length: 8

Position: 519-526

Item F50  Common law lump sum – total year 0

Description:  The total common law lump sum including all benefits payable at items F36 and F43.

Length: 8

Position: 527-534

Comment:  This item is only required if it is not possible to separately record the economic and non-economic loss components of the common law lump sum.

Item F51  Common law lump sum – total year 1

Description:  The total common law lump sum including all benefits payable at items F37 and F44.

Length: 8

Position: 535-542

Comment:  This item is only required if it is not possible to separately record the economic and non-economic loss components of the common law lump sum.
Item F52  Common law lump sum – total year 2

Description: The total common law lump sum including all benefits payable at items F38 and F45.
Length: 8
Position: 543-550
Comment: This item is only required if it is not possible to separately record the economic and non-economic loss components of the common law lump sum.

Item F53  Common law lump sum – total year 3

Description: The total common law lump sum paid to a worker including all benefits payable at items F39 and F46.
Length: 8
Position: 551-558
Comment: This item is only required if it is not possible to separately record the economic and non-economic loss components of the common law lump sum.

Item F54  Common law lump sum – total year 4

Description: The total common law lump sum including all benefits payable at items F40 and F47.
Length: 8
Position: 559-566
Comment: This item is only required if it is not possible to separately record the economic and non-economic loss components of the common law lump sum.
### Item F55  Common law lump sum – total year 5

**Description:**
The total common law lump sum including all benefits payable at items F41 and F48.

**Length:**
8

**Position:**
567-574

**Comment:**
This item is also required for the derivation of a severity indicator. This item is only required if it is not possible to separately record the economic and non-economic loss components of the common law lump sum.

### Item F56  Common law lump sum – total year 6+

**Description:**
The total common law lump sum including all benefits payable at items F42 and F49.

**Length:**
8

**Position:**
575-582

**Comment:**
This item is also required for the derivation of a severity indicator. This item is only required if it is not possible to separately record the economic and non-economic loss components of the common law lump sum.
G. PAYMENTS FOR GOODS AND SERVICES

Item G1 to Item G7  Payments for medical services

Description: Costs of services (treatment & reports) rendered by registered medical practitioners, regardless of whether the services were rendered in a hospital or clinical environment, including outpatient charges for doctors. Registered medical practitioners are defined as:

- general practitioners;
- psychiatrists;
- radiologists;
- surgeons; and
- dentists.

Costs incurred for the preparation of medical reports for the purposes of legal proceedings or administration are excluded and should be placed under Item H Non-compensation payments.

Purpose: To contribute to the understanding of the cost of the treatment of work-related injury/disease.

Classification/Coding: Collect total amount paid for medical services as at the reporting date in whole dollars. Format numeric, right justified, zero filled.

Comment: Cases not finalised at the reporting date will not require an estimate of future payments to be included. However, payments should be updated each year until the case is finalised.

Costs incurred for the preparation of medical reports for the purposes of legal proceedings are excluded and should be placed under Item H Non-compensation payments.

Year X is the development year in which the payment was made, where X is defined as:

0  Payment is made in the same financial year as claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2000-01.

1  Payment is made one financial year following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2001-02.

2  Payment is made two financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2002-03.

3  Payment is made three financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2003-04.
4. National Data Set Specifications for Format 1

Payment is made four financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2004-05.

5 Payment is made five financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2005-06.

6+ Payment is made six or more financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2006-07 or later.

Item G1 Payments for medical services year 0

Description: The total cost relating to medical services paid in development year 0.
Length: 8
Position: 583-590

Item G2 Payments for medical services year 1

Description: The total cost relating to medical services paid in development year 1.
Length: 8
Position: 591-598

Item G3 Payments for medical services year 2

Description: The total cost relating to medical services paid in development year 2.
Length: 8
Position: 599-606

Item G4 Payments for medical services year 3

Description: The total cost relating to medical services paid in development year 3.
Length: 8
Position: 607-614

Item G5 Payments for medical services year 4

Description: The total cost relating to medical services paid in development year 4.
Length: 8
Position: 615-622
Item G6  Payments for medical services year 5

Description:  The total cost relating to medical services paid in development year 5.
Length: 8
Position: 623-630

Item G7  Payments for medical services year 6+

Description:  The total cost relating to medical services paid in development year 6 or more.
Length: 8
Position: 631-638
Item G8 to Item G14  Payments for hospital services

Description: The sum of all costs related to public and private hospital visits except those amounts which are identified on the hospital account but which belong to other categories of payment.

Purpose: To contribute to the understanding of the cost of the treatment of work-related injury/disease.

Classification/Coding: Collect total amount paid for hospital services as at the reporting date in whole dollars. Format numeric, right justified, zero filled.

Comment: Includes cost of bed, operating theatre and other hospital facilities. All outpatient charges billed by hospitals are to be included here. However, the cost of medical and like services provided in an outpatient environment by a practitioner in private practice is to be included under Item G1 to Item G7 Payments for medical services or Item G15 to G21 Payments for allied health services.

Cases not finalised at the reporting date will not require an estimate of future payments to be included. However, payments should be updated each year until the case is finalised.

Year X is the development year in which the payment was made, where X is defined as:

0  Payment is made in the same financial year as claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2000-01.

1  Payment is made one financial year following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2001-02.

2  Payment is made two financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2002-03.

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5  Payment is made five financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2005-06.

6+  Payment is made six or more financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2006-07 or later.
Item G8  Payments for hospital services year 0
Description: The total cost relating to hospital services paid in development year 0.
Length: 8
Position: 639-646

Item G9  Payments for hospital services year 1
Description: The total cost relating to hospital services paid in development year 1.
Length: 8
Position: 647-654

Item G10  Payments for hospital services year 2
Description: The total cost relating to hospital services paid in development year 2.
Length: 8
Position: 655-662

Item G11  Payments for hospital services year 3
Description: The total cost relating to hospital services paid in development year 3.
Length: 8
Position: 663-670

Item G12  Payments for hospital services year 4
Description: The total cost relating to hospital services paid in development year 4.
Length: 8
Position: 671-678

Item G13  Payments for hospital services year 5
Description: The total cost relating to hospital services paid in development year 5.
Length: 8
Position: 679-686
Item G14  Payments for hospital services year 6+

Description: The total cost relating to hospital services paid in development year 6 or more.

Length: 8

Position: 687-694
## Item G15 to Item G21  Payments for allied health services

**Description:** Includes service costs related to the treatment of work-related injury/disease, other than:

- treatments provided by registered medical practitioners (as listed at Item G1 to Item G7 Payments for medical services); or
- treatments provided as part of vocational rehabilitation.

Includes outpatient charges for allied health professionals.

**Purpose:** To contribute to the understanding of the cost of the treatment of work-related injury/disease.

**Classification/Coding:** Collect total amount paid for allied health services as at the reporting date in whole dollars. Format numeric, right justified, zero filled.

**Comment:** The types of service providers in this category include but are not limited to:

- chiropractors;
- physiotherapists;
- psychologists;
- occupational therapists;
- masseurs/masseuses;
- aromatherapists;
- nurses;
- paramedics;
- ambulance; and
- acupuncturists.

Cases not finalised at the reporting date will not require an estimate of future payments to be included. However, payments should be updated each year until the case is finalised.

Costs incurred for the preparation of medical reports for the purpose of either administration or legal proceedings are to be placed under Item H Non-compensation payments.

Payments to service providers that were primarily for the purpose of vocational rehabilitation should be included at Item G22 to Item G28 Payments for vocational rehabilitation services.

**Year X** is the development year in which the payment was made, where X is defined as:

- 0 Payment is made in the same financial year as claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2000-01.
Payment is made one financial year following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2001-02.

Payment is made two financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2002-03.

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Payment is made five financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2005-06.

Payment is made six or more financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2006-07 or later.

**Item G15  Payments for allied health services year 0**

**Description:** The total cost relating to allied health services paid in development year 0.

**Length:** 8

**Position:** 695-702

**Item G16  Payments for allied health services year 1**

**Description:** The total cost relating to allied health services paid in development year 1.

**Length:** 8

**Position:** 703-710

**Item G17  Payments for allied health services year 2**

**Description:** The total cost relating to allied health services paid in development year 2.

**Length:** 8

**Position:** 711-718

**Item G18  Payments for allied health services year 3**

**Description:** The total cost relating to allied health services paid in development year 3.

**Length:** 8
Item G19  Payments for allied health services year 4

Description: The total cost relating to allied health services paid in development year 4.

Length: 8

Position: 727-734

Item G20  Payments for allied health services year 5

Description: The total cost relating to allied health services paid in development year 5.

Length: 8

Position: 735-742

Item G21  Payments for allied health services year 6+

Description: The total cost relating to allied health services paid in development year 6 or more.

Length: 8

Position: 743-750
Item G22 to Item G28  Payments for vocational rehabilitation services

Description: Includes service costs provided as part of vocational rehabilitation, other than those treatments provided by registered medical practitioners (as listed at Item G1 to Item G7 Payments for medical services).

Purpose: To contribute to the understanding of the cost of the treatment of work-related injury/disease.

Classification/Coding: Collect total amount paid for vocational rehabilitation services as at the reporting date in whole dollars. Format numeric, right justified, zero filled.

Comment: The list of services includes but is not limited to:

- retraining;
- job placement; and
- workplace assessment.

Cases not finalised at the reporting date will not require an estimate of future payments to be included. However, payments should be updated each year until the case is finalised.

Payments to service providers that were primarily for the treatment of the injury/disease should be included at Item G15 to Item G21 Payments for allied health services.

Year X is the development year in which the payment was made, where X is defined as:

0  Payment is made in the same financial year as claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2000-01.

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Payment is made six or more financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2006-07 or later.

**Item G22 Payments for vocational rehabilitation services year 0**

Description: The total cost relating to vocational rehabilitation services paid in development year 0.

Length: 8

Position: 751-758

**Item G23 Payments for vocational rehabilitation services year 1**

Description: The total cost relating to vocational rehabilitation services paid in development year 1.

Length: 8

Position: 759-766

**Item G24 Payments for vocational rehabilitation services year 2**

Description: The total cost relating to vocational rehabilitation services paid in development year 2.

Length: 8

Position: 767-774

**Item G25 Payments for vocational rehabilitation services year 3**

Description: The total cost relating to vocational rehabilitation services paid in development year 3.

Length: 8

Position: 775-782

**Item G26 Payments for vocational rehabilitation services year 4**

Description: The total cost relating to vocational rehabilitation services paid in development year 4.

Length: 8

Position: 783-790
Item G27  Payments for vocational rehabilitation services year 5

Description: The total cost relating to vocational rehabilitation services paid in development year 5.

Length: 8

Position: 791-798

Item G28  Payments for vocational rehabilitation services year 6+

Description: The total cost relating to vocational rehabilitation services paid in development year 6 or more.

Length: 8

Position: 799-806
Item G29 to Item G35  Payments for other goods and services

Description: Any other benefits paid or goods provided to claimant not reported above.

Purpose: To enable the collection of those costs not included in the above categories in providing an indicator of the cost of the treatment of employment injuries.

Classification/Coding: Collect total amount paid for other services as at the reporting date in whole dollars. Format numeric, right justified, zero filled.

Comment: Includes:

- prescriptions, medical and surgical supplies;
- provision, maintenance, repair, adjustment or replacement of aids and appliances;
- costs incurred on account of home help, for example cleaners;
- workplace, home and vehicle modifications;
- miscellaneous, repair or replacement of damaged clothing, road accident rescue services; and
- any other goods or service not already covered above.

Cases not finalised at the reporting date will not require an estimate of future payments to be included. However, payments should be updated each year until the case is finalised.

Year X is the development year in which the payment was made, where X is defined as:

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Payment is made six or more financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2006-07 or later.

**Item G29 Payments for other goods and services year 0**

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Item G34  Payments for other goods and services year 5

Description: The total cost relating to other goods and services paid in development year 5.

Length: 8

Position: 847-854

Item G35  Payments for other goods and services year 6+

Description: The total cost relating to other goods and services paid in development year 6 or more.

Length: 8

Position: 855-862
A. NON-COMPENSATION PAYMENTS

Item H1 to Item H7  Non-compensation payments - legal

Description: Total of all legal costs incurred as a result of the claim that are not paid to, or on behalf of, the worker.

Classification/Coding: Collect total amount of non-compensation payments as at the reporting date in whole dollars. Format numeric, right justified, zero filled.

Comment: Includes:
- investigation expenses and medical reports for the purposes of legal proceedings;
- worker’s legal costs paid by insurer; and
- insurer’s/employer’s legal costs attributable to the claim.

Cases not finalised at the reporting date will not require an estimate of future payments to be included. However, payments should be updated each year until the case is finalised.

Costs related to investigation and medical reports for administration should be recorded at Item H8 to Item H14 Non-compensation payments - other.

Year X is the development year in which the payment was made, where X is defined as:

0  Payment is made in the same financial year as claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2000-01.

1  Payment is made one financial year following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2001-02.

2  Payment is made two financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2002-03.

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5  Payment is made five financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2005-06.
Payment is made six or more financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2006-07 or later.

**Item H1  Non-compensation payments – legal year 0**
- **Description:** The total non-compensation costs paid in development year 0.
- **Length:** 8
- **Position:** 863-870

**Item H2  Non-compensation payments - legal year 1**
- **Description:** The total non-compensation costs paid in development year 1.
- **Length:** 8
- **Position:** 871-878

**Item H3  Non-compensation payments - legal year 2**
- **Description:** The total non-compensation costs paid in development year 2.
- **Length:** 8
- **Position:** 879-886

**Item H4  Non-compensation payments - legal year 3**
- **Description:** The total non-compensation costs paid in development year 3.
- **Length:** 8
- **Position:** 887-894

**Item H5  Non-compensation payments - legal year 4**
- **Description:** The total non-compensation costs paid in development year 4.
- **Length:** 8
- **Position:** 895-902

**Item H6  Non-compensation payments - legal year 5**
- **Description:** The total non-compensation costs paid in development year 5.
- **Length:** 8
- **Position:** 903-910
Item H7  Non-compensation payments - legal year 6+

Description: The total non-compensation costs paid in development year 6 or more.

Length: 8

Position: 911-918
Item H8 to Item H14  Non-compensation payments - other

Description: Total of all other non-compensation costs incurred as a result of the claim that are not paid to or on behalf of the worker.

Classification/ Coding: Collect total amount of non-compensation payments, excluding legal costs, as at the reporting date in whole dollars. Format numeric, right justified, zero filled.

Comment: Includes:
- investigation expenses and medical reports for administration;
- all transport (other than ambulance) and accommodation expenses; and
- interpreter services.

Cases not finalised at the reporting date will not require an estimate of future payments to be included. However, payments should be updated each year until the case is finalised.

Legal costs and costs related to investigation and medical reports for legal proceedings should be recorded at Item H1 to Item H7 Non-compensation payments - legal.

Year X is the development year in which the payment was made, where X is defined as:

0  Payment is made in the same financial year as claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2000-01.

1  Payment is made one financial year following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2001-02.

2  Payment is made two financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2002-03.

3  Payment is made three financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2003-04.

4  Payment is made four financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2004-05.

5  Payment is made five financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2005-06.

6+ Payment is made six or more financial years following the financial year of claim lodgement. For example, if the claim was lodged in 2000-01, this category records payments made in 2006-07 or later.
Item H8  Non-compensation payments - other year 0
Description: The total non-compensation costs paid in development year 0.
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Position: 919-926

Item H9  Non-compensation payments - other year 1
Description: The total non-compensation costs paid in development year 1.
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Item H12  Non-compensation payments - other year 4
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Item H13  Non-compensation payments - other year 5
Description: The total non-compensation costs paid in development year 5.
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Position: 959-966

Item H14  Non-compensation payments - other year 6+
Description: The total non-compensation costs paid in development year 6 or more.
Length: 8
National Data Set Specifications

CONTENT AND FORMAT
The content of each data item will be as defined in this document and:
- the data are to be provided in fixed length fields;
- all numeric fields are to be right justified and zero filled; and
- any data item that is not being supplied for any claim must be left blank for that field.

Each year’s data are to be accompanied by control totals of the number of fatal and non-fatal claims recorded for the year, the total time lost in hours, the total of all the numbers included in the nature of injury/disease field and the grand total of all payments made for the year. These totals will be reconciled on receipt of the data by NOHSC to ensure that all claims have been read correctly.

SUMMARY OF FORMAT – CLAIM INFORMATION AT THE UNIT RECORD LEVEL

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- Code: 54-57
- Type: Numeric
- Description: ANZSIC (ABS catalogue number 1292.0)

### C2 Size of employer
- Code: 58-63
- Type: Numeric
- Description: Total number of FTE workers employed by the enterprise

### C3 Date of birth
- Code: 64-71
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- Description: DDMMYYYY

### C4 Sex
- Code: 72
- Type: Character
- Value: Male, Female

### C5 Postcode of residence
- Code: 73-76
- Type: Numeric
- Description: Australian postcode

### C6 Occupation
- Code: 77-80
- Type: Numeric
- Description: ASCO Second Edition (ABS catalogue number 1220.0)

### C7 Duty status
- Code: 81-82
- Type: Numeric
- Description:
  - 01: At work – working at normal workplace
  - 02: At work – road traffic accident
  - 03: At work – on break
  - 04: Commuting/journey
  - 05: Away from work during recess period
  - 06: At work – working away from normal workplace

### C8 Number of hours usually worked each week
- Code: 83-87
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### C9 Normal weekly earnings
- Code: 88-92
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### C10 Labour hire indicator
- Code: 93
- Type: Numeric
- Description:
  - 1: At work – working at normal workplace
  - 2: Other

### C11 Apprentice/trainee indicator
- Code: 94
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### D. OCCURRENCE DETAILS

#### D1 Date of occurrence/report
- Code: 95-102
- Type: Numeric
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#### D2 Industry of workplace
- Code: 103-106
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- Description: ANZSIC (ABS catalogue number 1292.0)

#### D3 Postcode of workplace
- Code: 107-110
- Type: Numeric
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- Description: TOOCS third edition

#### D5 Bodily location of injury/disease
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#### D6 Mechanism of injury/disease
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#### D7 Agency of injury/disease
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#### D8 Breakdown agency of injury/disease
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