

Safe Work Australia - Workers' Compensation Statistics
Accepted workers' compensation claims

Explanatory notes:

Accepted workers' compensation claims covers those workers that are eligible for workers' compensation and where a claim has been made and accepted

n.p. Number of claims under five have been suppressed to maintain confidentiality

p Data for 2016-17 is preliminary and will be subjected to upwards revision when new data is available.

The claims numbers shown here were extracted for **Industry (ANZSIC): E - Construction**

The claims data has been sourced from **Safe Work Australia's National Data Set for Compensation-based Statistics (NDS)**, which is compiled based on workers' compensation data provided annually by each of the jurisdictional workers' compensation authorities.

Table 1 - Number of claims for the Construction industry by jurisdiction and occupation, 2012-13 to 2016-17p, Australia

Jurisdiction by Occupation	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17p	5 year average
NSW	7,508	7,572	8,207	8,616	8,976	8,176
Technicians and trades workers	3,423	3,440	3,732	3,605	3,845	3,609
Labourers	2,526	2,558	2,905	3,267	3,454	2,942
Machinery operators and drivers	739	750	779	787	838	779
Managers	282	289	309	387	381	330
Professionals	289	286	279	308	289	290
Clerical and administrative workers	177	176	143	175	109	156
Community and personal service workers	32	32	36	49	31	36
Sales workers	28	39	23	38	29	31
Not stated	12	n.p.	n.p.	0	0	n.p.
WA	5,138	5,092	4,842	4,618	3,500	4,638
Technicians and trades workers	2,649	2,602	2,525	2,483	1,908	2,433
Labourers	1,448	1,441	1,314	1,283	930	1,283
Machinery operators and drivers	829	772	767	628	481	695
Clerical and administrative workers	80	119	102	70	49	84
Managers	63	82	62	76	86	74
Professionals	52	60	51	58	30	50
Sales workers	10	12	10	8	6	9
Community and personal service workers	7	n.p.	11	12	10	9
QLD	3,946	3,989	4,029	4,156	4,445	4,113
Technicians and trades workers	1,809	1,754	1,856	1,793	2,104	1,863
Labourers	1,414	1,493	1,570	1,759	1,674	1,582
Machinery operators and drivers	494	481	431	379	368	431
Managers	60	60	51	54	52	55
Clerical and administrative workers	39	46	36	29	38	38
Professionals	45	34	25	20	39	33
Community and personal service workers	23	21	11	13	10	16
Sales workers	9	8	n.p.	7	6	7
Not stated	53	92	45	102	154	89
VIC	4,001	3,901	3,826	3,904	4,291	3,985
Technicians and trades workers	2,090	2,100	2,042	2,034	2,167	2,087
Labourers	1,142	1,118	1,119	1,169	1,314	1,172
Machinery operators and drivers	368	343	368	394	425	380
Managers	133	131	134	140	191	146
Professionals	108	80	70	54	68	76
Community and personal service workers	65	53	43	41	54	51
Clerical and administrative workers	67	48	36	46	49	49
Sales workers	28	28	13	26	25	24
SA	2,014	1,905	1,862	1,614	1,521	1,783
Technicians and trades workers	1,020	979	1,043	785	797	925
Labourers	616	604	532	530	458	548
Machinery operators and drivers	252	229	194	190	195	212
Managers	43	28	28	51	36	37
Clerical and administrative workers	43	32	30	26	12	29
Community and personal service workers	19	13	18	15	6	14
Professionals	11	16	14	11	10	12
Sales workers	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	6	n.p.	n.p.
Not stated	6	n.p.	0	0	5	n.p.
ACT	702	531	637	618	665	631
Technicians and trades workers	373	248	299	287	358	313
Labourers	227	198	210	226	207	214
Machinery operators and drivers	50	50	69	56	42	53
Managers	16	15	29	22	29	22
Professionals	16	8	22	15	19	16
Clerical and administrative workers	9	6	6	11	n.p.	7
Community and personal service workers	8	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Sales workers	n.p.	n.p.	0	0	n.p.	n.p.
TAS	676	548	565	546	566	580
Technicians and trades workers	380	316	328	288	291	321
Labourers	167	133	143	178	182	161
Machinery operators and drivers	85	60	59	46	55	61
Managers	25	22	20	17	14	20
Professionals	n.p.	11	8	12	20	11
Clerical and administrative workers	10	n.p.	5	5	n.p.	n.p.
Sales workers	n.p.	5	n.p.	0	n.p.	n.p.
Community and personal service workers	n.p.	0	n.p.	0	0	n.p.
Not stated	n.p.	0	0	0	0	n.p.
NT	406	528	452	491	485	472
Technicians and trades workers	203	260	226	222	258	234
Labourers	119	161	134	172	139	145
Machinery operators and drivers	54	61	37	60	43	51
Managers	14	20	21	11	7	15
Professionals	n.p.	7	10	9	21	10
Community and personal service workers	5	9	14	n.p.	8	8
Clerical and administrative workers	5	7	7	12	8	8
Sales workers	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Commonwealth	382	313	190	100	59	209
Labourers	278	226	145	71	44	153
Technicians and trades workers	50	50	20	n.p.	9	27
Machinery operators and drivers	23	13	5	6	0	9
Managers	11	10	11	10	n.p.	9
Professionals	13	7	9	8	n.p.	8
Clerical and administrative workers	5	6	0	n.p.	0	n.p.
Community and personal service workers	n.p.	0	0	0	0	n.p.
Sales workers	0	n.p.	0	0	0	n.p.
Total	24,773	24,379	24,610	24,663	24,508	24,587

Safe Work Australia - Traumatic Injury Fatality Statistics

Explanatory notes:

This data covers all workers

- who were traumatically fatally injured, and
- whose injuries resulted from work activity or exposures, and
- whose injuries occurred in an incident that took place in Australian territories or territorial waters

The fatalities shown here were extracted for **Industry (ANZSIC): E - Construction**. Please note, the State/Territory describes the geographic location where the fatality occurred, rather than the jurisdiction.

The fatalities data has been sourced from **Safe Work Australia's National Traumatic Injury Fatalities Database**, which is compiled from a range of information sources including the

Table 2 - Number of worker fatalities for the Construction industry by State/Territory and Occupation, 2013 to 2017, Australia

State/Territory by Occupation	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	5 year average
NSW	3	9	13	13	14	52
Technicians and Trades Workers	1	5	6	6	6	24
Labourers	2	3	3	4	8	20
Machinery Operators and Drivers	0	1	3	2	0	6
Managers	0	0	1	1	0	2
QLD	5	10	7	10	5	37
Machinery Operators and Drivers	1	5	3	3	2	14
Labourers	2	2	1	4	3	12
Technicians and Trades Workers	1	3	3	3	0	10
Managers	1	0	0	0	0	1
VIC	4	5	8	8	4	29
Technicians and Trades Workers	3	2	4	4	2	15
Labourers	0	2	2	2	2	8
Machinery Operators and Drivers	1	0	1	1	0	3
Managers	0	1	1	1	0	3
WA	5	4	5	2	5	21
Technicians and Trades Workers	2	1	4	1	2	10
Labourers	2	2	1	1	2	8
Managers	0	0	0	0	1	1
Professionals	0	1	0	0	0	1
Sales Workers	1	0	0	0	0	1
SA	1	3	1	2	2	9
Labourers	0	1	0	1	2	4
Technicians and Trades Workers	1	2	0	0	0	3
Machinery Operators and Drivers	0	0	1	0	0	1
Professionals	0	0	0	1	0	1
TAS	2	1	0	0	0	3
Labourers	1	0	0	0	0	1
Machinery Operators and Drivers	1	0	0	0	0	1
Technicians and Trades Workers	0	1	0	0	0	1
ACT	0	0	0	1	0	1
Machinery Operators and Drivers	0	0	0	1	0	1
NT	1	0	0	0	0	1
Labourers	1	0	0	0	0	1
Total	21	32	34	36	30	153