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Key findings

Premium rates (2017–18)

The standardised average premium rate has decreased by 10% since 2013–14

Highest funding ratios
- QLD: 214%
- WA: 131%

Scheme performance (2017–18)

Average funding ratio in Australia
- Centrally funded schemes: 139%
- Privately underwritten schemes: 108%

Since 2013–14:
- Centrally funded schemes up 11%
- Privately underwritten schemes down 4%

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Scheme expenditure
- Total payments made by Australian schemes: $8.457 billion
- 51% direct to claimant
- 14% insurance operations
- 30% services to claimant
- 2% dispute resolution
- 2% other administration

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Return to work (2017–18)

ACT had the highest return to work rate: 86%
Seacare had the lowest return to work rate: 68%

82% of injured workers in Australia returned to work
80% of injured workers in New Zealand returned to work

Workers’ compensation disputation (2017–18)

The Australian disputation rate has decreased 4% in Australia since 2013–14
63% of disputes were resolved within three months

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