



10 April 2024

Kia ora [REDACTED]

Your Official Information Act request, reference: GOV-031380

Thank you for your email of 26 March 2024, to [REDACTED], Cover Assessor, asking for the number of claims for poisoning and the associated costs. Your request was referred to my team for a response under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

Please find attached the data you requested

Please refer to the 'Notes' tab when interpreting the data.

As this information may be of interest to other members of the public

ACC may decide to proactively release a copy of this response on ACC's website. All requester data, including your name and contact details, will be removed prior to release. The released response will be made available www.acc.co.nz/resources/#/category/12.

If you have any questions about this response, please get in touch

You can email me at GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz.

Ngā mihi

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Government Engagement

Caveats and Notes:

- All claims included are accepted for cover.
 - Claims managed by an accredited employer have been excluded.
 - Claims are included where the injury description on the claim includes the keyword 'poison' with some variation allowed.
 - New claims is the count of claims that were lodged with ACC between 01 January 2019 and 31 December 2023. The lodgement date may be any date after the accident occurred.
 - Active claims are claims that generated a payment in the relevant calendar years. These claims were not necessarily registered, or had the accident occur, in the same calendar year.
 - Costs provided are exclusive of GST.
 - Costs are based on payment date. Payment date may be different to the date of service.
 - Costs do not include Public Health Acute Services (PHAS) payments. Treatment for covered claims in public hospitals is provided by an annual service agreement between the Minister of ACC and the Minister of Health, and is funded by bulk payments. The calendar year in which the service was paid may differ to the calendar year in which the service was provided.
- Data were extracted on 4 April 2024 and may differ if rerun at a later date.

Table: The total number of new claims, active claims, and total costs (exlcuding GST) for poison related injuries between 01 January 2019 and 31 December 2023.

Calendar Year	New Claims	Active Claims	Total Costs
2019	1,331	482	\$3,380,333
2020	1,300	476	\$4,275,808
2021	1,364	488	\$4,420,563
2022	1,075	429	\$4,186,848
2023	1,033	444	\$5,095,822