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Your Official Information Act request, reference: GOV-034521

Thank you for your email of 15 August 2024, asking for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982:

1. *Average duration of time off work for injuries for each year.*
2. *Number of stay at work/vocational rehabilitation service referrals made for each year.*

Time off work

The closest measure that ACC has for 'average duration of time off work' is *average weekly compensation days paid*. Please note with this measure:

- It is the average number of weekly compensation days paid when a client exits the scheme
- It includes claims with 29 to 365 days weekly compensation
- Weekly compensation is not paid for a client's first week off work due to their injury.

This information can be found in our annual reports, which are available on our website at www.acc.co.nz/resources#/subcategory/1. On page 129 of the 2023 Annual Report, it reports the average weekly compensation days paid for 2021/22 and 2022/23 as being 107.7 and 105.2 days, respectively.

Vocational rehabilitation referrals

Please find the number of referrals for vocational rehabilitation services since FY 2019/20 in the table below.

Vocational rehabilitation service	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Stay at Work	22,945	19,471	16,313	22,331	23,147
Back to Work	4,304	4,291	3,344	4,811	5,430
Workplace Assessment	831	937	830	737	695
Job Search	171	133	79	118	118
Pathway to Employment	1	75	114	122	162
Vocational Medical Assistance Liaison	65	78	59	100	99

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

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

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