

19 May 2023

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Your Official Information Act request, reference: GOV-024815

Thank you for your email of 2 May 2023, in relation to your previous request (GOV-024540), asking for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

Stats for agriculture – particularly between sheep and beef farming, dairy farming, wool harvesting industry, agri-business, compared to other sectors - plus time off associated with each:

- Musculoskeletal injuries
- DPIs discomfort pain injuries
- Repetitive strain injuries
- Sprains and strains
- Lifting and carrying
- Loss of balance or personal control
- Lower back and spine injuries
- Struck by animals
- Motor vehicle/equipment/machinery
- Cuts/contusions/bruises
- Slips and falls

I am also trying to answer these questions having done more research:

- 1. What are the most common MSK injuries in the food and fibre sector as recorded by ACC?
- 2. How do these common injuries contribute to worker' time off work?
- 3. Do NZ healthcare, ACC and health and safety organisations take an isolated or integrated approach to the contributing factors to MSK health risk? (eg. movement health, mental health, physical health, nutrition, sleep quality, breathing quality, body composition, injury history, physical activity.)

The requested data is attached to this letter as Appendix 1

When interpreting the data provided, please refer to the 'Notes' tab.

Some information has been withheld

Some values in the tables only indicate that the claim count is fewer than four (denoted as <4) or claim costs are less than \$100 (denoted as <\$100) to protect our clients' privacy. This decision has been made under section 9(2)(a) of the Act. In doing so, we have considered the public interest in making the information available and have determined that it does not outweigh the need to protect our clients' privacy.

Please note that in this response we have not provided a breakdown by month. Instead, the breakdowns for all tables are provided by lodgement financial year, allowing us to provide as much data as possible, while maintaining the need to withhold low claim counts and costs.

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Addressing specific questions

In response to question one regarding the most common MSK injuries, please refer to the data attached; particularly Table 3 which contains a breakdown by primary diagnosis. In response to question two, we have provided weekly compensation days off work in Tables 8, 9 and 10.

In relation to question 3, we are aware that **and the second seco**

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 <u>www.acc.co.nz/resources/#/category/12</u>.

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

You can email me at <u>GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz</u>. If you are not happy with this response, you can also contact the Ombudsman via <u>info@ombudsman.parliament.nz</u> or by phoning 0800 802 602. Information about how to make a complaint is available at <u>www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</u>.

Ngā mihi

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GOV-024815 Appendix 1

Response:

- The data has been extracted based on the following criteria:
- The claim lodgement / payment date is between 1 July 2017 and 31 March 2023.
- The claim cover decision is equal to 'Accept'.
- For claims in the pastoral farming industry, the 'at work indicator' is equal to 'Y' / yes or the fund is in the work account, and the classification is
- equal to:
- 01210 Grain growing
- 01220 Grain and sheep or grain and beef cattle farming
- 01230 Sheep and beef cattle farming
- 01240 Sheep farming
- 01250 Beef cattle farming
- 01300 Dairy cattle farming
- 01530 Deer farming
- 02120 Shearing services

- For claims in the rest of the agriculture industry, the 'at work indicator' is equal to 'Y' / yes or the fund is in the work account, and the industry is equal to Agriculture or Services to Agriculture, Hunting and Trapping.

- For all other work related claims the 'at work indicator' is equal to 'Y' / yes or the fund is in the work account.
- For tables 7, 8,9, the number of weekly compensation days is greater than zero.
- For tables 16, 23, the payment group is equal to Weekly Compensation.

- Pastoral Farming and Other Agriculture may include agricultural support services, but should not include forestry or fishing.

- Shearing services is normally included in agricultural support, but in this case has been included in Pastoral Farming as requested.
- If an employer ID isn't known, the claim will be categorised as Other Work Related, regardless of the industry or classification unit.
- Work Indicator categories are mutually exclusive. A claim will only be included in one category, and so categories may be summed.

Caveats:

- A financial year is 1 July to 30 June.
- Accredited employer claims have been excluded.

- 'New claims' have been counted by the date that they were lodged with ACC. This can be immediately after the injury occurred or at any later stage.

- 'Active claims' are claims that generated a payment in the relevant financial years. These claims were not necessarily lodged, or had the accident occur, in the same financial 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 ACC and the Ministry of Health, and is funded by bulk payments from ACC to the Crown.

- The financial year / month in which the service was paid may differ to the financial year / month in which the service was provided.

- A claim can cover multiple financial years. In tables 10 to 16, a claim which lasts longer than one financial year is counted as 'active' once for each financial year covered. For example, a claim which lasted from 2017 to 2019 would be counted a total of three times, once for each financial year.

- Diagnosis and site are based on the client's primary injury. Claims may have multiple injuries; however, these secondary injuries will not show within this data extract.

- Age is based on the client's age at claim lodgement and may differ to their age at the time of an accident or payment.

- The data was extracted on 09 May 2023 and may differ if extracted again at a later date.

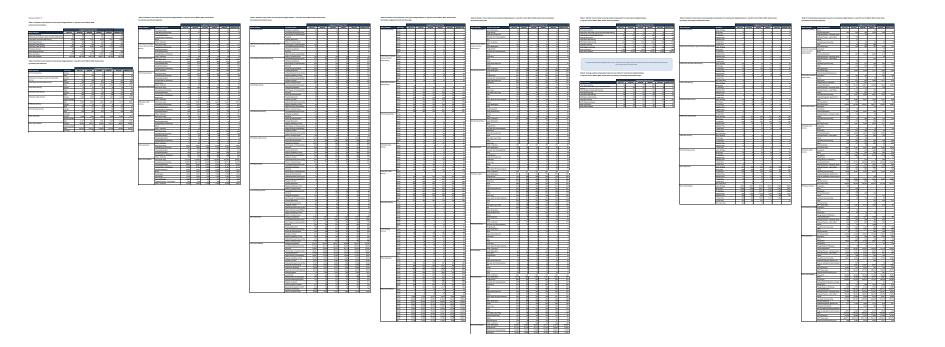


Table 11: Number of active claims for work injuries with payments m and 11 March 2023, broken down by industry.

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Table 12: Number of active claims for wo

	Payment Financial Year								
Work Indicator	Client Sea	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23 YTS		
1210 Grain growing	Female		22	1	22	11	2		
	Male	182	164	177	159	158	12		
1220 Grain and sheep or grain and beef cattle farming	Female	108	100	69	109		2		
	titale	1,226	1,220	12	1,159	1,074	97		
1230 Sheep and beef cattle farming	Female	897	965	814	856	722	58		
	Male	6,580	4,228	5,890	5,887	5,138	4,43		
1340 Sheep farming	Female	130	119	113	127	133	12		
	Male	1.025	977	926	546	62	70		
1250 Reef cattle farming	Female	230	230	207	223	178	19		
	Male	1,228	1,122	1,055	1,921	1,023	61		
1300 Dairy cattle fanning	Female	2348	2,266	226	2.341	2.118	1.75		
	Another Gender						0		
	Male	1,090	7,616	7,307	7,396	6,625	5,40		
1530 Deer faming	Female	29	23	27	22	18	1		
	Male	242	229	208	234	208	15		
2120 Shearing services	Female	201	192	203	209	174	10		
	Male	009	992	100	919	929	67		
	Utiknown						0		
Other Agriculture	Female	2.558	2.651	2.618	3.203	2.901	2.29		
	Another Gender		-16			-			
	Male	10,365	10,134	10,125	11,652	90,755	8,40		
Other Work Related	Female	67,704	71,094	66,352	72,004	66,151	56,95		
	Another Gender		-16	5		4			
	Male	188,055	192,183	179,337	191,276	178,416	152,131		

llork Indicator	Primary Diagnosis	2017/16	2018/19	Payment F 2018/20	2020/21	2821/22	2022/23 YT
210 Grain growing		78	100	90	78	26	
	industrial Deathess	63	52	52 22	45	42	
	Fracture/dislocation	12	9	6	90	9	
	Foreign Body In Orlficeleye Other / Unknown	5	4	-4	4	12	-
220 Grain and sheep or rain and beef cattle	Industrial Deathess	\$22	927	\$20	871	807	7
grain and beef cattle farming	dot Tassa injury	227	210	215	245	212	5
	Fracture/dislocation	23	24	18	25	26	
	Trauma Induced Hearing Loss Other / Unknown	13	14 70	16	12	11	
230 Sheep and beef	industrial Deathess	2.633	2,785	2.629	2.570	2.354	2.1
cattle farming	Soft Taxase Injury	2,754	2,642	2,398	2,488	2,063	1,6
	Laceration puncture uting	829	715	664	658 211	554	4 2
	Qental Injury	121	163	112	157	138	15
	Trauma Induced Hearing Loss Foreign Body In Otificeleve	86 104	72	76	40 14	27	
		24	24	21	21	22	
	Pain Syndromes Gradual Revouse - Local Inflam	22	22	27	15	12	
	Gradual Process - Local Inflam. Other / Unknown	28	27	25	20	271	2
240 Sheep farming	industrial Deathess	491	470	427	420	264	2
	Soft Taxas Injury	291	340 107	349 109	297	21	2
	Laceration puncture sting Practure/dislocation	99 26	6	109	100	29	
	Qental Injury	15	21	19		23	
	Sprain Or Strain Foreign Body In Otificeleve	17	19	18 9	17	15	
	Trauma Induced Hearing Loss	2	9	6	7	7	
	Cental Injuries Leceration - Not infected	6	4	4	7	4	
	Other / Unknown	75	62	52	57	61	
1250 Beef cattle farming	Soft Taxaue Injury Industrial Deadheas	634	620	20 10	604		4
	Industrial Deathess Laceration puncture sting	409	225	348	348	310	2
	-ractum/dislocation	94	70	66	42	2	
	Foneign Body in Orlficeleye Gental Injury	28	27	22	20		
	Tourna induced Hearing Loss	12	11	12	15	13	
	Concussion	ŝ	54	12	12	12	
	Sprain Or Strain Auna	51	9	9	<u></u>		
	Other / Unknown	56	74	ŵ	21	22	-
000 Dairy cattle farming	Soft Tissue injury industrial Deafness	5,054	4,809	4,755 2,171	4,970		2,5
	aceration puncture sting	1,100	929	682	642	728	8
	Fracture/dislocation	782	762	700	719	671	9
	Cental Injury Foreign Body In Otificeleve	100	157	154	129	548	
	Buns	112	94		123	78	
	Concussion Trauma Induced Hearing Loss	77	76	64	76		
	Gradual Process - Local Inflam.	49	48	26	6	29	
	Öther / Unknown	534 112	521 115	531 99	599	462	2
530 Deer farming	Soft Taxaue Injury Industrial Deadheas	112	115	99	120	101	-
	Laceration puncture sting	22	27	22	27	30	
	Fracture/dislocation Gental Injury	21	16	10	50		
	Other / Unknown Soft Tissue Inkry	21		20	25	29	
120 Shearing services	Soft Tissue Injury Industrial Dashase	\$21 227	499	515 222	550 242	476	- 2
	Industrial Deathess Laceration puncture sting	227	125	222	157	220	1
	Crachus/datocation	20	22	29	50	50	
	Dental Injury Other / Unknown	18	17	10	21	21	
her Agriculture	fort Taxaa Itiary	6.305	6.944	6.004	7.850	7.134	
	ndustrial Deafness	2,994	2,958	2,926	2,072		2,7
	Fracture/dislocation	1,656	1,616	1,517	1,641		1,0
	Foreign Body In Odfice/eye	250	234	257	254	243	5
	Cental Injury Trauma Induced Hearing Loss	12	123	129	171	122	5
	Concussion	59	62	71	26	72	
	Gradual Process - Local Inflam.	75	60 66	63	82 64		
	Other / Unknown	742	758	765	890	807	6
Other Work Related	Soft Tissue Injury Industrial Deafness	136,535	143,667	134,673	117,714	136,891	115,2
	Industrial Deathess Laceration puncture sting	28,412	28,045	28,957	37,594	26,262	22.8
	Fracture/dislocation	10.317	10,706	9.871	10.212	9,829	8.0-
	Foreign Body in Otificeleye Dental Injury	5,975	5,097	5,079	5,234 2,901	4,648	2.5
	auns.	2,875	3,009	2,622	2,901		1,9
	Sprain Or Strain	2,327	2,453	2.059	1 655	1 0 0 0	16
	Concussion Trauma Induced Hearing Loss	1,500	1,692	1,602	1,647		1,71
	Gradual Process - Local Inflam.	1,441	1,372	1,229	1,200	1,287	1,0
	Pain Syndromes	1,368	1,290	1,165	1,174	5,590	
	Fracture Dentai injuries	1,093	1,101	943 778	924	711	7
	Amputation	572	541	560	\$71		5
	Gradual Process - Compress Synd. Occo.dis (ablead bru dem heo reo	454	503	502	548 350	34	8 2
	Contusion(intact Skinjinc Crushing	222	229	289	221	235	2
	Herria Laceration - Not Infected	345	212	278	257	206	5
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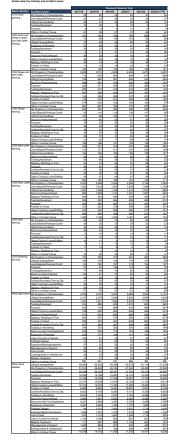
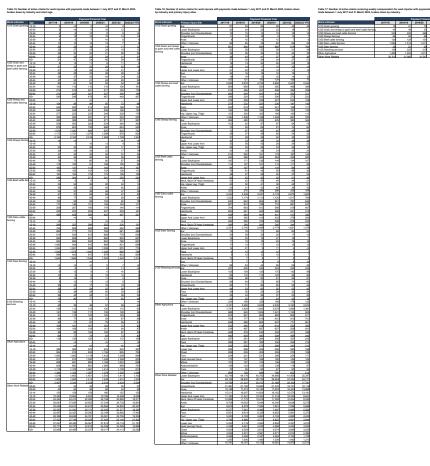


Table 14: Number of active claims for work injuries with payments made between 1 July 2017 and 21 March 2023, broken down by industry and accident cause.



Work Indicator	Payment Financial Year								
	2017/18	2018/19	2018/20	2028/21	2021/22	2822/23 YT			
1210 Grain growing	19	21	10	18	11	1			
1220 Grain and sheep or grain and beef cattle farming	44	49	51	2	5				
1230 Sheep and beef cattle farming	529	482	499	\$15	645	34			
1240 Sheep farming	66	63	66	20	5				
1250 Reef cattle farming	128	128	131	103	100	5			
1300 Dairy cattle farming	1.5M	1.5%	1,511	1,574	5.41	1.1			
1530 Deer farming	26	22	24	25	15	·			
2120 Shearing services	190	225	215	225	254	5			
Other Agriculture	1,480	1,455	1,611	1,651	1,795	1,4			

