

22 October 2020



Tēnā koe

### Your Official Information Act request, reference: GOV-007064

Thank you for your email to our Media team of 28 September 2020, asking for the following information:

I am assisting a friend with research into sensitive claims payouts. She would like to know the average amount of these payouts, including those for institutional abuse, in the year 2017 and for the most recent figures available.

On 2 October 2020, you clarified your request as below:

Specifically, we are looking for sums recived by victims in 2017, and later, similar to those details reported recently by Justice dept for prisoner compensation.

Your request has been forwarded to us to respond to under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

## About the data we are providing

We are providing data for sensitive claims, which may include claims related to institutional abuse. ACC is unable to identify which claims relate to institutional abuse, as this is not information we hold.

We have extracted data for payments for entitlements that can be paid directly to the injured person under the Accident Compensation Act 2001. These payments include Independence Allowance and Lump Sum payments, which are financial support for a person who has permanent or long-term impairment resulting from their covered injuries, and Weekly Compensation, which is to help cover loss of income due to incapacity to work because of a covered injury.

#### Notes about the data

Please consider the following when interpreting the attached data:

- The data is presented by calendar year;
- A claim can have payments in multiple years, and is included in the claim count for each year;
- A claim may receive more than one type of payment in any given year, and will be included in each claim count;
- Costs are based on payment date, which may be different to the date the service occurred;
- Costs provided are exclusive of GST; and
- The data was extracted on 13 October 2020 and may differ if rerun at a later date.

## How you can reach us

If you have any questions, you can email me at <a href="mailto:GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz">GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz</a>.

Nāku iti noa, nā

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# Number of claims and costs for sensitive claims by entitlement type:

	2017		2018		2019		2020 (to 9 October)	
Entitlement Type	Claims	Costs \$	Claims	Costs \$	Claims	Costs \$	Claims	Costs \$
Independence Allowance	8,320	24,850,014	9,025	30,747,905	9,884	36,056,200	8,825	24,162,188
Lump Sum Payments	306	2,344,366	412	3,363,837	477	3,836,510	355	2,913,463
Weekly Compensation	825	31,964,375	858	35,819,521	893	37,261,544	927	34,775,441