

Indemnity Benefits

Indemnity benefits are payments to injured workers to replace a portion of lost wages. Eligibility requirements, amounts, and duration are mandated by Florida statute. Recent trends and tendencies in indemnity benefits include the following:

■ *Total indemnity amounts:* Total cumulative indemnity benefits paid for injuries sustained in 1996, the latest year with mature data, reflect a downward trend for each consecutive injury year since 1990. Benefits paid for 1996 injuries, totaling \$322.1 million as of March 20, 2000, represent a 4% decrease from the cumulative benefits paid for 1995 injuries. This was the smallest rate of decline for any injury year in the past decade with mature data, possibly signaling a slowing or reversal in the trend of decline in total indemnity amounts.

■ *Indemnity payments and disability types:* Injured workers with Temporary Total disabilities, the most prevalent lost-time benefit category, received over one billion dollars in indemnity benefits for injuries sustained between 1990 and 1999, more than any other disability type. The second largest payment amount, totaling over nine-tenths of a billion dollars, was for pre-reform Wage Loss Only disability cases, whose ratio to Temporary Total cases was just 1:11. The third and fourth largest indemnity amounts were paid to recipients of the post-reform Impairment Income benefits and Permanent Total benefits, respectively. Together, disability categories with the four largest shares of indemnity benefits accounted for over 93% of the total indemnity amount paid for injuries in the ten-year period. The remainder was split between Temporary Partial, the pre-reform Permanent Impairment Only and Wage Loss and Permanent Impair-

ment, the post-reform Supplemental Income, and Death cases.

■ *Lost-time cases with no indemnity payments:* From 1990 to 1999, 43,778 cases reported settlements without prior payment of indemnity benefits. An additional 102,305 lost-time cases reported neither indemnity benefits nor a settlement. Of these 102,305 cases, nearly half (48,678) were from injury years with preliminary data, suggesting time lags in reporting or recording information as an explanation. Other lost-time cases showing no indemnity benefits may represent employer continuation of salary in lieu of benefits or incomplete or erroneous reporting or recording of information.

■ *Trends in indemnity benefits per case:* For injury years with mature data, median and average indemnity benefits display contrasting trends. *Median* benefits increased for each consecutive injury year, ranging from \$1,250 for 1990 injuries to \$1,674 for 1996 injuries. The largest single-year increase (14%) occurred for the first post-reform year, 1994. *Average* indemnity benefits, by contrast, declined over each consecutive injury year, beginning at \$7,687 for 1990 injuries and diminishing to \$4,897 for 1996 injuries. The largest single-year decrease (-12.6%) was for 1994. Subsequent post-reform years showed a smaller rate of decrease than the pre-reform years from 1990 through 1993. The overall trend is for fewer high-end cases of indemnity benefits accompanied by a gradually rising indemnity payment among the remaining cases. The initial year of the reform, 1994, brought a heightening of both tendencies, followed by smaller declines in average payments and larger increases in median payments than in pre-re-

form years.

■ *Per-case indemnity benefits and disability types:* Among individual disability types, there were significant variations in the average and median indemnity benefits paid to injured workers. Due to the protracted period of benefit payment, workers with Permanent Total disabilities received the highest average and median benefits for each of the injury years with mature data. Averages ranged from \$83,760 for 1990 injuries to \$36,771 for 1996 injuries, while medians for the same years were \$71,859 and \$33,278, respectively. Differences between injury-year amounts for these cases are primarily attributable to differences in case vintage. Supplemental Income benefits, a post-reform category retaining a wage-loss approach to benefit determination, followed Permanent Total as second in per-case costliness of indemnity benefits, while Death was third. The disability type most representative of lost-time cases, Temporary Total, had average indemnity payments ranging from \$2,083 to \$2,555 for injury years 1990 through 1996, and median payments from \$806 to just under \$1,000 for the same period of time.

■ *Maximum compensation rate:* The maximum weekly benefit amount of \$541 for 2000 is a 41.6% increase over the 1990 amount of \$382. Since the rates are equivalent to the statewide average weekly wage for each year, the increase reflects inflationary, rather than real, growth.

■ *Injury characteristics and indemnity benefits:* Though third in frequency behind injuries to the upper extremities and injuries to the lower extremities, back injuries accounted for the single largest amount of indemnity benefits paid for all lost-time injuries sustained between 1990 and 1999: over \$967 million. This suggests that back injuries result in greater loss of work time than the two categories of more frequent injuries. The miscellaneous category, often used to indicate injuries to multiple parts of the body, was a close second, with over \$957 million paid in indemnity benefits. Combined with \$722.9 million paid for injuries to the lower extremities and \$643 million for upper-extremity injuries, the four most expensive injury areas accounted for more than nine of every ten dollars paid in indemnity benefits for 1990 through 1999 injuries. Less frequent and less expensive were injuries to the head, neck, and trunk.

Table 2.1

Cumulative Indemnity Benefits by Disability Type and Injury Year (1990-1999)

Disability Type	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
Temporary Partial						
Number of Cases	1,351	1,921	2,746	3,853	5,064	6,691
Payments in This Type	\$1,995,619	\$2,108,077	\$3,014,296	\$3,811,446	\$5,450,354	\$7,494,378
Payments in Lower Type	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total Payments	\$1,995,619	\$2,108,077	\$3,014,296	\$3,811,446	\$5,450,354	\$7,494,378
Temporary Total						
Number of Cases	64,891	57,391	54,688	53,367	43,490	39,100
Payments in This Type	\$122,308,582	\$110,586,913	\$111,386,999	\$111,837,676	\$73,624,697	\$67,462,921
Payments in Lower Type	\$11,856,600	\$11,591,151	\$12,685,580	\$14,374,675	\$16,221,990	\$18,376,050
Total Payments	\$134,165,183	\$122,178,064	\$124,072,579	\$126,212,351	\$89,846,687	\$85,838,970
Permanent Impairment Only						
Number of Cases	1,297	1,008	1,031	763	N/A	N/A
Payments in This Type	\$17,920,008	\$9,616,443	\$7,907,128	\$3,234,344		
Payments in Lower Type	\$9,817,808	\$6,073,506	\$5,942,306	\$4,039,499		
Total Payments	\$27,737,815	\$15,689,949	\$13,849,434	\$7,273,843		
Wage Loss Only						
Number of Cases	13,325	11,966	11,327	10,823	N/A	N/A
Payments in This Type	\$126,086,626	\$85,519,507	\$74,186,744	\$66,505,002		
Payments in Lower Type	\$170,053,872	\$138,816,680	\$128,388,976	\$118,677,826		
Total Payments	\$296,140,499	\$224,336,187	\$202,575,721	\$185,182,828		
Wage Loss & Perm. Impairment						
Number of Cases	326	266	265	251	N/A	N/A
Payments in This Type	\$8,015,910	\$5,961,085	\$4,596,880	\$3,128,081		
Payments in Lower Type	\$5,003,915	\$3,539,045	\$3,629,717	\$2,964,713		
Total Payments	\$13,019,825	\$9,500,130	\$8,226,597	\$6,092,795		
Impairment Income						
Number of Cases	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	20,966	20,734
Payments in This Type					\$53,833,079	\$52,010,420
Payments in Lower Type					\$146,674,040	\$134,599,694
Total Payments					\$200,507,119	\$186,610,113
Supplemental Income						
Number of Cases	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	39	35
Payments in This Type					\$447,080	\$240,945
Payments in Lower Type					\$1,210,141	\$1,032,876
Total Payments					\$1,657,221	\$1,273,821
Permanent Total						
Number of Cases	1,810	1,734	1,536	1,371	1,293	1,065
Payments in This Type	\$95,593,643	\$75,056,914	\$60,367,256	\$47,561,095	\$36,403,907	\$24,969,202
Payments in Lower Type	\$56,012,053	\$48,945,451	\$39,161,404	\$33,655,144	\$26,525,768	\$21,456,028
Total Payments	\$151,605,695	\$124,002,365	\$99,528,660	\$81,216,238	\$62,929,675	\$46,425,231
Death						
Number of Cases	408	316	297	399	392	430
Payments in This Type	\$9,904,700	\$9,304,835	\$6,908,077	\$7,777,587	\$7,347,127	\$7,377,459
Payments in Lower Type	\$1,922,480	\$1,141,079	\$1,061,404	\$1,325,027	\$1,033,075	\$821,708
Total Payments	\$11,827,180	\$10,445,914	\$7,969,482	\$9,102,615	\$8,380,202	\$8,199,167
Settled, No Indemnity Recorded						
Number of Cases	4,773	5,051	5,822	6,468	4,745	4,595
Payments in This Type	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Payments in Lower Type	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Payments	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Lost Time, No Indemnity Recorded						
Number of Cases	8,352	7,744	8,036	7,325	6,756	7,077
Payments in This Type	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Payments in Lower Type	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Payments	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Number of Cases	96,533	87,397	85,748	84,620	82,745	79,727
Total Payments	\$636,491,816	\$508,260,684	\$459,236,768	\$418,892,115	\$368,771,257	\$335,841,680

Table 2.1

Cumulative Indemnity Benefits by Disability Type and Injury Year (1990-1999)

Disability Type	1996	1997*	1998*	1999*	1990-1999
Temporary Partial					
Number of Cases	8,315	10,271	9,951	7,945	58,108
Payments in This Type	\$9,914,084	\$13,521,950	\$13,840,427	\$9,142,951	\$70,293,581
Payments in Lower Type	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total Payments	\$9,914,084	\$13,521,950	\$13,840,427	\$9,142,951	\$70,293,581
Temporary Total					
Number of Cases	36,095	34,903	34,106	26,579	444,610
Payments in This Type	\$69,691,126	\$78,168,651	\$80,856,007	\$46,972,700	\$872,896,271
Payments in Lower Type	\$20,743,041	\$25,356,964	\$24,425,820	\$11,179,870	\$166,811,741
Total Payments	\$90,434,167	\$103,525,615	\$105,281,827	\$58,152,570	\$1,039,708,013
Permanent Impairment Only					
Number of Cases	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	4,099
Payments in This Type					\$38,677,922
Payments in Lower Type					\$25,873,118
Total Payments					\$64,551,041
Wage Loss Only					
Number of Cases	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	47,441
Payments in This Type					\$352,297,879
Payments in Lower Type					\$555,937,354
Total Payments					\$908,235,233
Wage Loss & Perm. Impairment					
Number of Cases	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,108
Payments in This Type					\$21,701,957
Payments in Lower Type					\$15,137,389
Total Payments					\$36,839,346
Impairment Income					
Number of Cases	21,021	20,054	14,318	4,574	101,667
Payments in This Type	\$50,747,592	\$44,404,512	\$26,803,601	\$6,707,386	\$234,506,590
Payments in Lower Type	\$129,677,126	\$102,725,962	\$53,903,565	\$10,500,947	\$578,081,334
Total Payments	\$180,424,718	\$147,130,475	\$80,707,167	\$17,208,334	\$812,587,925
Supplemental Income					
Number of Cases	16	7	0	1	98
Payments in This Type	\$62,010	\$14,469	\$0	\$1,522	\$766,026
Payments in Lower Type	\$303,713	\$150,934	\$0	\$6,719	\$2,704,383
Total Payments	\$365,723	\$165,403	\$0	\$8,241	\$3,470,409
Permanent Total					
Number of Cases	956	608	161	29	10,563
Payments in This Type	\$16,925,158	\$6,689,489	\$1,203,426	\$103,065	\$364,873,155
Payments in Lower Type	\$18,227,576	\$9,596,483	\$1,606,550	\$138,039	\$255,324,497
Total Payments	\$35,152,734	\$16,285,972	\$2,809,976	\$241,105	\$620,197,651
Death					
Number of Cases	364	334	250	169	3,359
Payments in This Type	\$5,202,742	\$4,732,363	\$2,582,296	\$800,918	\$61,938,104
Payments in Lower Type	\$612,264	\$368,708	\$237,929	\$58,934	\$8,582,608
Total Payments	\$5,815,005	\$5,101,071	\$2,820,225	\$859,852	\$70,520,712
Settled, No Indemnity Recorded					
Number of Cases	4,464	4,402	2,932	526	43,778
Payments in This Type	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Payments in Lower Type	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Payments	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Lost Time, No Indemnity Recorded					
Number of Cases	8,337	9,319	12,851	26,508	102,305
Payments in This Type	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Payments in Lower Type	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Payments	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Number of Cases	79,568	79,898	74,569	66,331	817,136
Total Payments	\$322,106,432	\$285,730,485	\$205,459,623	\$85,613,052	\$3,626,403,911

*Preliminary reporting

Source: Division of Workers' Compensation Claims and Judges' Orders Files as of March 20, 2000

Table 2.2

**Average and Median Indemnity Benefits by Disability Type
and Injury Year (1990-1999)**

Disability Type	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
Temporary Partial						
Median Payments in This Type	\$427	\$412	\$384	\$374	\$444	\$479
Median Payments in Lower Types	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Median Total Payments	\$427	\$412	\$384	\$374	\$444	\$479
Average Total Payments	\$1,480	\$1,101	\$1,114	\$1,004	\$1,089	\$1,142
Temporary Total						
Median Payments in This Type	\$770	\$780	\$818	\$853	\$720	\$728
Median Payments in Lower Types	\$639	\$583	\$557	\$589	\$694	\$722
Median Total Payments	\$806	\$821	\$895	\$958	\$851	\$906
Average Total Payments	\$2,083	\$2,156	\$2,292	\$2,392	\$2,092	\$2,243
Permanent Impairment Only						
Median Payments in This Type	\$4,000	\$3,000	\$2,178	\$1,574	N/A	N/A
Median Payments in Lower Types	\$4,349	\$3,518	\$3,732	\$3,070		
Median Total Payments	\$9,368	\$7,405	\$6,880	\$4,977		
Average Total Payments	\$21,386	\$15,581	\$13,433	\$9,571		
Wage Loss Only						
Median Payments in This Type	\$4,856	\$3,739	\$3,445	\$3,255	N/A	N/A
Median Payments in Lower Types	\$9,359	\$8,363	\$8,096	\$7,650		
Median Total Payments	\$16,079	\$13,439	\$12,766	\$12,173		
Average Total Payments	\$22,226	\$18,767	\$17,914	\$17,159		
Wage Loss & Perm. Impairment						
Median Payments in This Type	\$12,621	\$12,407	\$10,927	\$7,675	N/A	N/A
Median Payments in Lower Types	\$10,266	\$9,071	\$9,323	\$7,699		
Median Total Payments	\$26,496	\$23,476	\$22,230	\$17,963		
Average Total Payments	\$39,938	\$35,715	\$31,044	\$24,274		
Impairment Income						
Median Payments in This Type	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$1,750	\$1,760
Median Payments in Lower Types					\$4,784	\$4,406
Median Total Payments					\$6,053	\$5,570
Average Total Payments					\$9,564	\$9,003
Supplemental Income						
Median Payments in This Type	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$5,668	\$4,623
Median Payments in Lower Types					\$27,421	\$30,104
Median Total Payments					\$34,368	\$34,048
Average Total Payments					\$42,493	\$36,395
Permanent Total						
Median Payments in This Type	\$38,573	\$33,845	\$29,249	\$25,959	\$21,960	\$18,531
Median Payments in Lower Types	\$25,198	\$22,379	\$20,433	\$19,348	\$17,756	\$17,434
Median Total Payments	\$71,859	\$62,827	\$54,747	\$51,457	\$42,335	\$39,676
Average Total Payments	\$83,760	\$71,512	\$64,797	\$59,239	\$48,670	\$43,633
Death						
Median Payments in This Type	\$18,845	\$31,080	\$12,808	\$14,786	\$16,103	\$11,231
Median Payments in Lower Types	\$3,168	\$2,352	\$1,600	\$1,651	\$1,851	\$1,860
Median Total Payments	\$26,250	\$30,950	\$14,313	\$19,805	\$17,096	\$13,172
Average Total Payments	\$40,092	\$44,262	\$34,500	\$35,979	\$34,629	\$28,569
Total						
Median Total Payments	\$1,250	\$1,285	\$1,338	\$1,343	\$1,531	\$1,592
Average Total Payments	\$7,687	\$6,889	\$6,448	\$5,986	\$5,231	\$5,017

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Average and Median Indemnity Benefits by Disability Type and Injury Year (1990-1999)

Disability Type	1996	1997*	1998*	1999*	1990-1999
Temporary Partial					
Median Payments in This Type	\$502	\$526	\$583	\$513	\$490
Median Payments in Lower Types	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Median Total Payments	\$502	\$526	\$583	\$513	\$490
Average Total Payments	\$1,215	\$1,329	\$1,409	\$1,179	\$1,228
Temporary Total					
Median Payments in This Type	\$780	\$862	\$988	\$861	\$802
Median Payments in Lower Types	\$800	\$958	\$1,048	\$864	\$736
Median Total Payments	\$998	\$1,137	\$1,324	\$1,114	\$936
Average Total Payments	\$2,555	\$3,017	\$3,159	\$2,254	\$2,374
Permanent Impairment Only					
Median Payments in This Type	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$2,500
Median Payments in Lower Types					\$3,681
Median Total Payments					\$7,111
Average Total Payments					\$15,763
Wage Loss Only					
Median Payments in This Type	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$3,816
Median Payments in Lower Types					\$8,391
Median Total Payments					\$13,647
Average Total Payments					\$19,170
Wage Loss & Perm. Impairment					
Median Payments in This Type	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$10,849
Median Payments in Lower Types					\$9,160
Median Total Payments					\$22,846
Average Total Payments					\$33,249
Impairment Income					
Median Payments in This Type	\$1,716	\$1,576	\$1,417	\$1,114	\$1,600
Median Payments in Lower Types	\$4,273	\$3,887	\$3,359	\$2,384	\$4,050
Median Total Payments	\$5,339	\$4,752	\$3,975	\$2,730	\$5,000
Average Total Payments	\$8,584	\$7,337	\$5,637	\$3,762	\$7,993
Supplemental Income					
Median Payments in This Type	\$2,449	\$1,616	\$0	\$1,522	\$4,389
Median Payments in Lower Types	\$13,363	\$21,253	\$0	\$6,719	\$25,975
Median Total Payments	\$17,502	\$22,100	\$0	\$8,241	\$31,910
Average Total Payments	\$22,858	\$23,629	\$0	\$8,241	\$35,412
Permanent Total					
Median Payments in This Type	\$14,588	\$8,960	\$6,961	\$2,631	\$23,340
Median Payments in Lower Types	\$16,675	\$13,199	\$9,428	\$5,114	\$19,517
Median Total Payments	\$33,278	\$24,551	\$14,403	\$6,350	\$47,637
Average Total Payments	\$36,771	\$26,830	\$17,562	\$8,314	\$58,731
Death					
Median Payments in This Type	\$13,728	\$17,608	\$16,632	\$11,363	\$15,663
Median Payments in Lower Types	\$1,703	\$1,813	\$1,377	\$1,332	\$1,800
Median Total Payments	\$12,852	\$14,964	\$14,615	\$9,101	\$16,234
Average Total Payments	\$26,076	\$25,128	\$16,590	\$12,462	\$31,924
Total					
Median Total Payments	\$1,674	\$1,673	\$1,610	\$1,089	\$1,440
Average Total Payments	\$4,897	\$4,372	\$3,554	\$2,240	\$5,475

*Preliminary reporting

Source: Division of Workers' Compensation Claims and Judges' Order Files as of March 20, 2000

Table 2.3

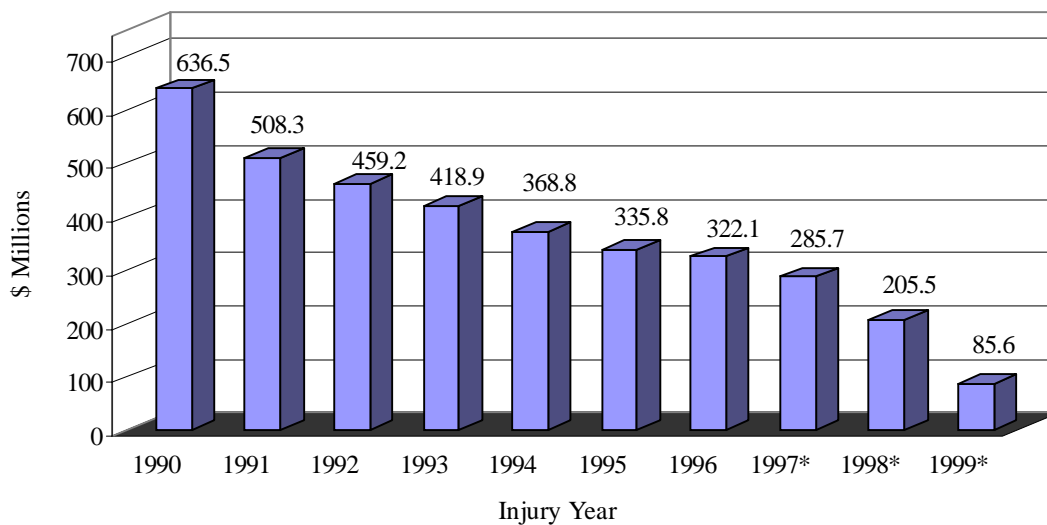
Maximum Compensation Rate (1990-2000)

Year	Maximum Weekly Benefits	Percent Increase
1990	\$382	5.5%
1991	\$392	2.6%
1992	\$409	4.3%
1993	\$425	3.9%
1994	\$444	4.5%
1995	\$453	2.0%
1996	\$465	2.6%
1997	\$479	3.0%
1998	\$494	3.1%
1999	\$522	5.7%
2000	\$541	3.6%

Source: Division of Workers' Compensation

Figure 2.1

Cumulative Indemnity Benefits by Injury Year (1990-1999)



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Table 2.4

Indemnity Benefits by Injured Body Part and Injury Year (1990-1999)

Injured Body Part	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997*	1998*	1999*	1990-1999
Back Injury											
Cases with Indemnity Benefits	20,844	19,573	18,522	16,725	16,457	15,169	14,302	13,617	11,601	7,629	154,439
Total Payments	\$184,467,003	\$155,224,617	\$133,499,162	\$112,322,191	\$91,907,479	\$81,640,717	\$78,639,336	\$66,063,245	\$45,898,519	\$17,833,433	\$967,495,702
Median Payment	\$1,238	\$1,339	\$1,384	\$1,388	\$1,551	\$1,555	\$1,808	\$1,790	\$1,719	\$1,044	\$1,470
Multiple Body Parts											
Cases with Indemnity Benefits	15,416	14,278	14,257	13,073	13,049	11,952	11,327	11,000	9,361	5,890	119,603
Total Payments	\$175,415,950	\$143,519,732	\$135,350,178	\$117,652,671	\$97,761,351	\$84,713,788	\$76,761,655	\$65,879,216	\$43,174,370	\$16,891,519	\$957,120,428
Median Payment	\$2,041	\$2,012	\$2,099	\$2,134	\$2,304	\$2,341	\$2,348	\$2,300	\$2,212	\$1,493	\$2,146
Lower Extremities											
Cases with Indemnity Benefits	19,255	17,286	16,381	16,055	16,158	15,359	15,549	15,820	14,499	9,755	156,117
Total Payments	\$119,580,430	\$96,755,428	\$85,034,436	\$78,181,327	\$74,824,231	\$69,195,329	\$66,961,336	\$62,569,465	\$48,296,281	\$21,502,219	\$722,900,481
Median Payment	\$1,114	\$1,176	\$1,204	\$1,275	\$1,486	\$1,598	\$1,670	\$1,680	\$1,622	\$1,123	\$1,381
Upper Extremities											
Cases with Indemnity Benefits	18,074	16,110	15,325	16,324	17,137	16,966	17,167	17,409	15,455	10,195	160,162
Total Payments	\$87,586,124	\$74,655,851	\$66,119,359	\$73,936,859	\$70,577,858	\$69,464,881	\$69,304,373	\$63,634,659	\$47,310,887	\$20,396,864	\$642,987,715
Median Payment	\$973	\$1,016	\$1,091	\$1,136	\$1,332	\$1,417	\$1,507	\$1,476	\$1,448	\$996	\$1,243
Trunk											
Cases with Indemnity Benefits	4,192	3,662	3,697	4,788	4,542	4,426	4,475	4,570	4,245	2,988	41,585
Total Payments	\$19,457,140	\$15,188,714	\$15,740,716	\$17,213,341	\$16,442,025	\$14,519,726	\$14,818,880	\$14,388,965	\$11,569,097	\$5,469,678	\$144,808,281
Median Payment	\$1,300	\$1,213	\$1,251	\$1,165	\$1,196	\$1,241	\$1,204	\$1,307	\$1,289	\$1,062	\$1,228
Head											
Cases with Indemnity Benefits	2,514	2,087	2,093	1,992	2,059	2,125	2,028	2,054	1,857	1,232	20,041
Total Payments	\$19,461,171	\$14,138,029	\$14,267,682	\$11,255,096	\$10,183,659	\$10,701,234	\$9,630,255	\$8,694,224	\$5,687,574	\$2,300,713	\$106,319,637
Median Payment	\$764	\$752	\$800	\$783	\$907	\$1,024	\$1,063	\$1,126	\$960	\$678	\$876
Neck											
Cases with Indemnity Benefits	649	253	329	1,025	1,093	950	929	884	784	534	7,430
Total Payments	\$7,091,651	\$3,380,877	\$3,459,374	\$8,330,632	\$7,074,655	\$5,606,004	\$5,990,597	\$4,500,711	\$3,522,894	\$1,218,627	\$50,176,022
Median Payment	\$2,163	\$2,808	\$3,203	\$1,552	\$2,187	\$2,001	\$2,688	\$2,110	\$2,325	\$1,008	\$2,033
Missing Data											
Cases with Indemnity Benefits	1,852	533	617	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,002
Total Payments	\$23,432,347	\$5,397,435	\$5,765,862	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$34,595,645
Median Payment	\$3,872	\$2,835	\$2,199	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,190
Total											
Cases with Indemnity Benefits	82,796	73,782	71,221	69,982	70,495	66,947	65,778	65,354	57,802	38,223	662,379
Total Payments	\$636,491,816	\$508,260,684	\$459,236,768	\$418,892,115	\$368,771,257	\$335,841,680	\$322,106,432	\$285,730,485	\$205,459,623	\$85,613,052	\$3,626,403,911
Median Payment	\$1,250	\$1,285	\$1,338	\$1,343	\$1,531	\$1,592	\$1,674	\$1,673	\$1,610	\$1,089	\$1,440

*Preliminary reporting

NOTE: Case counts are not comparable to Table 2.1 because records with missing indemnity benefits or indemnity benefits = 0 are excluded from the calculation of averages and medians.

Source: Division of Workers' Compensation Claims File as of March 20, 2000