

Table 3.4

### **Medical 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
<b>Multiple Body Parts</b>											
Cases with Medical Benefits	15,485	14,585	14,709	13,772	13,386	12,230	11,544	11,077	9,323	5,410	121,521
Total Payments	\$234,770,010	\$220,038,701	\$198,181,624	\$193,152,504	\$170,886,851	\$148,479,071	\$141,012,025	\$117,468,934	\$83,938,684	\$34,579,579	\$1,542,507,984
Median Payment	\$3,932	\$4,106	\$4,315	\$4,160	\$3,912	\$3,781	\$3,774	\$3,467	\$3,119	\$1,923	\$3,691
Average Payment	\$15,161	\$15,087	\$13,473	\$14,025	\$12,766	\$12,141	\$12,215	\$10,605	\$9,003	\$6,392	\$12,693
<b>Back Injury</b>											
Cases with Medical Benefits	20,559	19,675	18,730	17,014	16,512	15,325	14,422	13,629	11,504	6,938	154,308
Total Payments	\$213,897,004	\$194,961,624	\$174,982,289	\$142,572,652	\$123,243,126	\$110,700,219	\$106,924,082	\$79,762,070	\$52,774,247	\$17,600,889	\$1,217,418,201
Median Payment	\$1,999	\$2,290	\$2,420	\$2,340	\$2,190	\$2,094	\$2,227	\$2,104	\$1,893	\$1,250	\$2,095
Average Payment	\$10,404	\$9,909	\$9,342	\$8,380	\$7,464	\$7,224	\$7,414	\$5,852	\$4,587	\$2,537	\$7,890
<b>Lower Extremities</b>											
Cases with Medical Benefits	18,833	17,190	16,367	16,086	16,109	15,387	15,614	15,706	14,320	8,921	154,533
Total Payments	\$161,572,885	\$150,798,255	\$141,278,574	\$133,782,408	\$130,201,156	\$121,370,215	\$118,248,117	\$110,277,697	\$84,185,080	\$35,489,101	\$1,187,203,488
Median Payment	\$1,280	\$1,632	\$1,867	\$2,110	\$2,350	\$2,327	\$2,401	\$2,365	\$2,055	\$1,296	\$1,937
Average Payment	\$8,579	\$8,772	\$8,632	\$8,317	\$8,083	\$7,888	\$7,573	\$7,021	\$5,879	\$3,978	\$7,683
<b>Upper Extremities</b>											
Cases with Medical Benefits	17,693	15,979	15,347	16,395	17,132	17,053	17,266	17,307	15,279	9,417	158,868
Total Payments	\$103,443,666	\$104,733,954	\$98,903,333	\$113,140,771	\$111,759,737	\$108,119,874	\$111,394,806	\$103,271,147	\$78,947,023	\$146,210,517	\$1,079,924,827
Median Payment	\$1,257	\$1,604	\$1,985	\$2,271	\$2,448	\$2,466	\$2,638	\$2,491	\$2,342	\$1,356	\$2,081
Average Payment	\$5,847	\$6,554	\$6,444	\$6,901	\$6,523	\$6,340	\$6,452	\$5,967	\$5,167	\$15,526	\$6,798
<b>Trunk</b>											
Cases with Medical Benefits	4,106	3,624	3,722	4,799	4,497	4,438	4,464	4,545	4,219	2,714	41,128
Total Payments	\$27,165,263	\$24,325,887	\$24,639,028	\$32,922,278	\$28,276,884	\$27,550,842	\$29,061,407	\$26,303,611	\$21,135,121	\$9,983,712	\$251,364,035
Median Payment	\$2,897	\$3,046	\$3,197	\$3,139	\$3,358	\$3,422	\$3,375	\$3,159	\$2,818	\$2,135	\$3,091
Average Payment	\$6,616	\$6,712	\$6,620	\$6,860	\$6,288	\$6,208	\$6,510	\$5,787	\$5,010	\$3,679	\$6,112
<b>Head</b>											
Cases with Medical Benefits	2,523	2,132	2,134	2,074	2,139	2,240	2,114	2,154	1,895	1,147	20,552
Total Payments	\$35,318,299	\$26,319,138	\$28,948,198	\$22,232,444	\$21,921,371	\$24,473,925	\$20,047,858	\$19,682,727	\$13,271,778	\$6,313,843	\$218,529,581
Median Payment	\$1,959	\$2,147	\$2,225	\$2,025	\$2,362	\$2,417	\$2,723	\$2,538	\$2,276	\$1,455	\$2,230
Average Payment	\$13,999	\$12,345	\$13,565	\$10,720	\$10,248	\$10,926	\$9,483	\$9,138	\$7,004	\$5,505	\$10,633
<b>Neck</b>											
Cases with Medical Benefits	645	266	347	1,056	1,110	976	960	892	802	460	7,514
Total Payments	\$8,909,809	\$5,386,619	\$5,219,700	\$14,358,244	\$11,336,393	\$9,054,611	\$9,600,323	\$6,923,617	\$5,729,109	\$1,693,047	\$78,211,472
Median Payment	\$3,915	\$5,914	\$5,695	\$3,214	\$3,087	\$3,044	\$3,244	\$2,630	\$2,715	\$1,538	\$3,043
Average Payment	\$13,814	\$20,250	\$15,042	\$13,597	\$10,213	\$9,277	\$10,000	\$7,762	\$7,144	\$3,681	\$10,409
<b>Missing Data</b>											
Cases with Medical Benefits	2,229	686	751	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,666
Total Payments	\$25,688,540	\$6,871,753	\$8,383,713	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$40,944,006
Median Payment	\$3,893	\$3,357	\$2,655	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,545
Average Payment	\$11,525	\$10,017	\$11,163	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$11,169
<b>Total</b>											
Cases with Medical Benefits	82,073	74,137	72,107	71,196	70,885	67,649	66,384	65,310	57,342	35,007	662,090
Total Payments	\$810,765,475	\$733,435,930	\$680,536,460	\$652,161,301	\$597,625,518	\$549,748,757	\$536,288,619	\$463,689,805	\$339,981,041	\$251,870,688	\$5,616,103,594
Median Payment	\$2,089	\$2,389	\$2,636	\$2,696	\$2,713	\$2,668	\$2,772	\$2,589	\$2,336	\$1,440	\$2,440
Average Payment	\$9,879	\$9,893	\$9,438	\$9,160	\$8,431	\$8,126	\$8,079	\$7,100	\$5,929	\$7,195	\$8,482

\*Preliminary reporting

NOTE: Case counts are not comparable to Table 3.1 because records with missing medical benefits or medical benefits = 0 are excluded from the calculation of averages and medians.

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