

Trend figures for all rate groups

Key indicators	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	Change 2002 - 2006	Change 2005 - 2006
Injury rate	3.24	3.05	3.06	3.09	3.12	-3.7%	1.0%
Total duration	47.2	46.7	48.1	47.3	45.4	-3.8%	-4.0%
Average weekly wage	\$699	\$711	\$711	\$712	\$726	3.9%	2.0%
Number of claims ¹	58,357	55,855	57,260	59,048	60,585	3.8%	2.6%
Cost history (dollar figures in thousands) ²							
Short term disability	\$239,289	\$216,379	\$212,931	\$209,768	\$230,290	-3.8%	9.8%
Long term disability	\$246,766	\$215,379	\$231,847	\$223,576	\$234,234	-5.1%	4.8%
Survivor benefits	\$44,954	\$34,370	\$31,302	\$33,267	\$26,952	-40.0%	-19.0%
Health care	\$167,535	\$173,892	\$183,410	\$183,831	\$208,075	24.2%	13.2%
Vocational rehabilitation	\$24,956	\$25,525	\$33,666	\$37,415	\$44,262	77.4%	18.3%
Total costs	\$723,500	\$665,545	\$693,156	\$687,857	\$743,813	2.8%	8.1%
Rate data (dollar figures in millions)							
Assessable payroll	\$51,300	\$52,959	\$55,616	\$59,413	\$64,252	25.2%	8.1%
Accumulated payroll ³	\$66,394	\$64,112	\$63,973	\$64,584	\$66,004	-0.6%	2.2%
Benefit cost rate ⁴	1.09	1.04	1.08	1.07	1.13	3.7%	5.6%

¹ Number of wage loss claims recorded up to February 28, 2007

² Paid costs and awards accumulated to February 28, 2007 at CPI + 3½%, plus unfinalled claims liability at February 28, 2007.

³ Assessable payroll reported for the rate group, accumulated to February 28, 2007 at CPI + 3½%.

⁴ Estimate of benefit cost rate for rate group as of February 28, 2007. The benefit cost rate includes short term disability, long term disability, survivor benefits, health care and vocational rehabilitation benefit costs charged directly to the rate group. Indirect charges such as cost relief under section 39 and administration costs are excluded.