

## Trend figures for all rate groups

Key indicators	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Change 2004 - 2008	Change 2007 - 2008
Injury rate	3.06	3.09	3.12	3.06	2.96	-3.3%	-3.3%
Total duration	48.1	47.3	45.4	46.3	48.1	0.0%	3.9%
Average weekly wage	\$711	\$712	\$726	\$749	\$777	9.3%	3.7%
Number of claims <sup>1</sup>	57,736	59,813	62,762	63,202	61,215	6.0%	-3.1%
<b>Cost history</b> (dollar figures in thousands) <sup>2</sup>							
Short term disability	\$229,503	\$225,914	\$233,233	\$243,461	\$268,855	17.1%	10.4%
Long term disability	\$210,165	\$215,099	\$227,176	\$239,888	\$259,089	23.3%	8.0%
Survivor benefits	\$36,381	\$38,540	\$33,151	\$25,236	\$34,519	-5.1%	36.8%
Health care	\$205,554	\$204,252	\$214,858	\$222,597	\$260,214	26.6%	16.9%
Vocational rehabilitation	\$24,094	\$26,041	\$32,390	\$40,741	\$48,070	99.5%	18.0%
<b>Total costs</b>	<b>\$705,697</b>	<b>\$709,846</b>	<b>\$740,808</b>	<b>\$771,923</b>	<b>\$870,747</b>	<b>23.4%</b>	<b>12.8%</b>
<b>Rate data</b> (dollar figures in millions)							
Assessable payroll	\$55,781	\$59,856	\$64,861	\$68,690	\$72,032	29.1%	4.9%
Accumulated payroll <sup>3</sup>	\$70,183	\$71,517	\$73,590	\$74,284	\$73,809	5.2%	-0.6%
Benefit cost rate <sup>4</sup>	1.01	0.99	1.01	1.04	1.18	16.8%	13.5%

<sup>1</sup> Number of wage loss claims recorded up to February 28, 2009

<sup>2</sup> Paid costs and awards accumulated to February 28, 2009 at CPI + 3%, plus unfinalled claims liability at February 28, 2009.

<sup>3</sup> Assessable payroll reported for the rate group, accumulated to February 28, 2009 at CPI + 3%.

<sup>4</sup> Estimate of benefit cost rate for rate group as of February 28, 2009. 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 reallocation of cost relief under section 39 and administration costs are excluded.