

Table 8 Occupational disease data by type of disease and age group; 1984-2008

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Reaction to hiv treatment	97	391	402	218	62	2	1,173
Needlestick injury - see note	71	135	144	78	33	1	462
Allergic reaction	70	166	123	84	34	2	478
Cancer: asbestos	0	0	12	64	196	322	594
Cancer: other	0	2	12	35	47	34	130
Chemical burns	2,614	3,410	2,478	1,452	561	31	10,545
Conjunctivitis	65	141	140	102	36	1	484
Dermatitis	1,216	1,355	1,080	828	397	18	4,894
Hearing loss	147	412	834	2,322	5,037	5,240	13,992
Infected blister	63	58	41	26	11	2	202
Hepatitis	13	33	22	21	3	0	94
Norwalk	69	248	410	525	245	4	1,501
Sars - including quarantine	0	0	2	0	0	0	2
Other infectious disease	289	494	424	266	85	2	1,561
Bursitis: repetitive motion	775	2,319	3,979	2,840	782	18	10,713
Tendinitis: repetitive motion	6,302	9,897	7,828	4,870	1,742	46	30,686
Carpal tunnel syndrome	864	2,517	2,962	1,943	623	21	8,930
Asbestosis	0	0	7	62	178	203	450
Silicosis	0	1	5	20	60	48	135
Other pneumoconiosis	0	2	0	3	3	4	12
Scleroderma	0	0	3	3	3	0	9
Poisoning	600	887	767	504	184	8	2,949
Arc flash and related	1,079	2,185	1,612	726	157	5	5,763
Other radiation effect	19	34	23	15	3	0	94
Raynaud's phenomenon	2	25	67	74	64	3	235
Cedar dust asthma	36	125	123	100	58	1	443
Other asthma	73	177	288	238	103	7	887
Bronchitis and related	1	15	14	9	12	6	58
Other respiratory irritation	536	1,202	1,301	893	352	23	4,307
Stress	761	1,433	1,876	1,307	421	20	5,819
Cold	234	198	143	122	52	4	754
Heat	78	115	82	52	25	0	352

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Cardiovascular	1	10	56	115	92	8	282
Voice disturbance	19	25	32	30	9	0	116
Other occupational disease	174	375	326	225	90	6	1,196
Total	16,277	28,401	27,640	20,178	11,741	6,065	110,302

- (1) The 'number of claims' is the count of claims accepted for short term disability (STD) benefits, long term disability (LTD) benefits or survivor benefits in the period. Claims with only health care benefits are not included in the count.
- (2) The count statistics have been adjusted for the effect of uncoded claims. The adjusted statistics are rounded and shown as whole numbers. These whole numbers will not necessarily add up to the row and column totals shown because the totals are rounded independently.
- (3) Age for the purpose of this report is the age when the disease claim was reported to WorkSafeBC.