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To: Co-Chair Lewallen, and Co-Chair Strickland

From: Matt West, WCD Administrator

RE: Data for annual income for workers with accepted disabling claims state average

weekly wage (SAWW), and data on length of claims

Thank you for the questions.

Below you will find the data related to State Average Weekly Wage (SAWW) and average annual income for workers with accepted disabling claims that was presented earlier this year to MLAC.

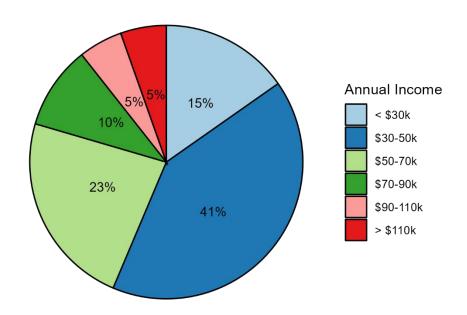
WCD data on worker weekly wages - Counts of accepted disabling workers' compensation claimants in 2024 by income bracket

Annual Income	Count	Percentage of Total	Median Annual Income	Median Weekly Wages
< \$30k	2788	15.28	\$22,617	\$434.94
\$30-50k	7499	41.09	\$40,561	\$780.01
\$50-70k	4228	23.16	\$58,017	\$1,115.71
\$70-90k	1797	9.85	\$78,047	\$1,500.91
\$90-110k	951	5.21	\$98,325	\$1,890.87
> \$110k	989	5.42	\$130,356	\$2,506.85





Percentage of Accepted Disabling Workers' Comp Claims by Annual Income







Duration of Temporary Disability Data

The MLAC subcommittee for temporary disability (TD) rates requested information illustrating the duration of workers with disabling claims being off work. The Workers' Compensation Division (WCD) does not have data that directly reflects that.

However, when insurers close a disabling claim, they report to WCD the amount and duration of TD paid to the worker. The reporting is split between temporary total disability (TTD) and temporary partial disability (TPD). The latter can be either a worker off work completely, or working reduced hours or at a reduced wage. Those differences are not reported to WCD, so the data does not reflect how long workers are off work completely.

The following table contains the available data.

- Accepted disabling claims are included; denied claims are not.
- The large difference between the average numbers and median numbers is caused by a relatively small number of claims with lengthy TD pushing up the averages. The median numbers are closer to what is typical for most claims.
- The number of weeks reported was multiplied by seven to produce the number of days.

	Total	TTD	Average TTD	Median TTD	TPD	Average TPD	Median TPD
Year	Claims	Claims	Days	Days	Claims	Days	Days
2014	19413	12817	54.3	14	10038	59.9	22
2015	19291	12650	52.1	13	10056	57.5	21
2016	20178	13227	50.1	13	10685	55.2	20
2017	20704	13372	49.0	14	10473	57.8	21
2018	20717	13219	50.5	12	11106	57.7	22
2019	24245	13797	52.6	13	10576	62.4	25
2020	22124	13969	47.5	13	11688	60.0	23
2021	21640	16120	44.6	11	11594	56.4	24
2022	24795	16667	41.8	9	11242	54.8	24
2023	22843	14489	43.3	11	10966	56.5	24
2024	21691	12945	31.6	10	9206	45.3	25

Please let us know if you have any additional questions.



