

Trends in serious claims by jurisdiction: 2000–01 to 2016–17p

Table 15i – **Commonwealth** – Number and rates of serious claims, number of hours worked and number of employees, 2000–01 to 2016–17p

Year of lodgement	Number of serious ¹ claims	Frequency rate (serious claims per million hours worked)	Incidence rate (serious claims per 1,000 employees)	Total hours worked (million)	Number of employees ('000)
2000-01	2,620	5.4	10.0	486.3	263.1
2001-02	2,540	5.2	9.7	491.4	263.0
2002-03	2,620	5.2	10.1	499.5	259.3
2003-04	2,780	6.0	10.9	464.4	255.8
2004-05	2,795	6.0	10.5	468.9	266.5
2005-06	2,695	5.3	9.5	505.0	284.8
2006-07	2,695	4.7	8.4	573.0	319.9
2007-08	2,380	3.7	6.6	651.4	362.5
2008-09	2,875	4.4	7.9	653.7	363.6
2009-10	2,815	4.3	7.7	653.8	365.2
2010-11	3,030	4.4	8.0	681.0	379.4
2011-12	3,090	4.6	8.3	676.3	373.0
2012-13	2,750	3.9	7.0	705.8	395.2
2013-14	2,500	3.7	6.5	674.9	382.8
2014-15	2,110	3.1	5.5	678.6	383.1
2015-16	1,770	2.6	4.5	690.7	394.1
% change 2000–01 to 2015–16	-32%	-52%	-55%	42%	50%
2016-17p	1,605	2.3	3.9	712.5	407.1

Explanatory notes:

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Table 15h – **Australian Capital Territory** – Number and rates of serious claims, number of hours worked and number of employees, 2000–01 to 2016–17p

Year of lodgement	Number of serious ¹ claims	Frequency rate (serious claims per million hours worked)	Incidence rate (serious claims per 1,000 employees)	Total hours worked (million)	Number of employees ('000)
2000-01	1,555	6.9	11.3	224.1	137.8
2001-02	1,530	6.8	11.1	226.2	137.6
2002-03	1,740	7.5	12.3	233.3	141.8
2003-04	1,795	8.4	13.5	212.6	133.1
2004-05	1,840	8.2	13.4	223.7	137.0
2005-06	1,805	8.4	13.4	215.3	134.8
2006-07	1,760	7.6	12.5	231.7	140.9
2007-08	1,685	7.7	12.1	219.2	139.2
2008-09	1,565	7.4	11.8	210.7	132.8
2009-10	1,670	8.0	12.5	210.0	133.7
2010-11	1,730	8.1	12.7	213.5	136.5
2011-12	1,615	7.3	11.7	220.9	137.4
2012-13	1,595	6.8	11.0	234.4	144.6
2013-14	1,580	6.6	10.5	239.8	150.4
2014-15	1,635	6.7	10.5	245.4	155.3
2015-16	1,670	6.6	10.5	251.8	159.2
% change 2000–01 to 2015–16	7%	-5%	-7%	12%	16%
2016-17p	1,730	6.5	10.3	266.5	168.3

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Table 15a – **New South Wales** – Number and rates of serious claims, number of hours worked and number of employees, 2000–01 to 2016–17p

Year of lodgement	Number of serious ¹ claims	Frequency rate (serious claims per million hours worked)	Incidence rate (serious claims per 1,000 employees)	Total hours worked (million)	Number of employees ('000)
2000-01	49,170	10.4	18.4	4,715.4	2,671.1
2001-02	48,255	10.2	17.9	4,747.4	2,692.0
2002-03	47,885	9.9	17.4	4,851.9	2,757.6
2003-04	47,020	9.6	16.7	4,881.4	2,809.7
2004-05	46,085	9.4	16.3	4,922.6	2,821.3
2005-06	42,225	8.5	14.6	4,942.7	2,886.0
2006-07	41,650	8.2	14.0	5,067.6	2,975.1
2007-08	40,960	8.0	13.6	5,144.9	3,004.4
2008-09	41,565	8.2	13.8	5,062.2	3,005.5
2009-10	41,985	8.2	13.9	5,098.8	3,022.3
2010-11	44,215	8.5	14.4	5,190.8	3,078.2
2011-12	43,380	8.2	13.8	5,292.5	3,136.8
2012-13	37,460	6.9	11.7	5,406.0	3,209.5
2013-14	35,160	6.4	10.8	5,459.3	3,257.7
2014-15	34,590	6.2	10.4	5,547.7	3,313.9
2015-16	33,450	5.8	9.7	5,785.9	3,454.6
% change 2000–01 to 2015–16	-32%	-45%	-47%	23%	29%
2016-17p	33,000	5.7	9.5	5,816.6	3,482.4

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Table 15g – **Northern Territory** – Number and rates of serious claims, number of hours worked and number of employees, 2000–01 to 2016–17p

Year of lodgement	Number of serious ¹ claims	Frequency rate (serious claims per million hours worked)	Incidence rate (serious claims per 1,000 employees)	Total hours worked (million)	Number of employees ('000)
2000-01	1,410	8.8	15.8	159.9	89.3
2001-02	1,145	6.8	12.0	167.9	95.1
2002-03	1,280	7.3	13.2	174.5	96.5
2003-04	1,205	7.4	13.0	163.4	92.9
2004-05	1,255	7.6	13.7	165.3	91.9
2005-06	1,335	8.0	14.2	166.4	94.1
2006-07	1,380	7.6	13.8	180.9	100.3
2007-08	1,510	7.9	14.1	191.4	107.1
2008-09	1,355	6.8	12.3	200.0	110.7
2009-10	1,470	7.4	13.0	199.6	113.4
2010-11	1,525	7.4	13.3	206.8	114.4
2011-12	1,420	6.7	12.2	212.8	116.0
2012-13	1,405	6.4	11.5	219.4	121.6
2013-14	1,355	5.7	10.4	235.9	130.0
2014-15	1,260	5.1	9.3	247.9	135.2
2015-16	1,140	4.5	8.3	252.5	136.6
% change 2000–01 to 2015–16	-19%	-49%	-47%	58%	53%
2016-17p	985	4.0	7.0	248.0	140.4

Explanatory notes:

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Table 15c – Queensland – Number and rates of serious claims, number of hours worked and number of employees, 2000–01 to 2016–17p

Year of lodgement	Number of serious ¹ claims	Frequency rate (serious claims per million hours worked)	Incidence rate (serious claims per 1,000 employees)	Total hours worked (million)	Number of employees ('000)
2000-01	24,375	10.6	17.9	2,294.9	1,365.5
2001-02	24,880	10.7	17.8	2,325.8	1,396.4
2002-03	26,150	10.8	18.1	2,414.1	1,446.1
2003-04	26,340	10.5	17.3	2,511.7	1,520.5
2004-05	27,340	10.2	17.2	2,688.9	1,593.8
2005-06	28,365	10.2	17.0	2,770.5	1,666.0
2006-07	30,055	10.3	17.2	2,915.7	1,749.3
2007-08	30,270	10.3	17.3	2,925.2	1,752.5
2008-09	30,250	10.0	16.4	3,035.8	1,839.9
2009-10	28,505	9.4	15.5	3,029.5	1,840.0
2010-11	28,100	9.0	14.8	3,111.6	1,899.5
2011-12	28,385	8.7	14.6	3,270.4	1,940.1
2012-13	27,280	8.4	14.2	3,258.3	1,924.0
2013-14	25,770	7.1	12.2	3,641.2	2,118.0
2014-15	25,430	7.0	11.9	3,656.7	2,145.2
2015-16	25,400	6.9	11.7	3,658.0	2,170.7
% change 2000–01 to 2015–16	4%	-35%	-35%	59%	59%
2016-17p	25,795	7.1	11.8	3,629.3	2,182.5

Explanatory notes:

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Table 15d – **South Australia** – Number and rates of serious claims, number of hours worked and number of employees, 2000–01 to 2016–17p

Year of lodgement	Number of serious ¹ claims	Frequency rate (serious claims per million hours worked)	Incidence rate (serious claims per 1,000 employees)	Total hours worked (million)	Number of employees ('000)
2000-01	12,580	12.6	21.2	1,001.7	593.2
2001-02	11,930	11.8	19.7	1,012.0	606.4
2002-03	12,045	11.4	19.1	1,060.3	630.6
2003-04	12,400	11.8	19.5	1,053.5	636.8
2004-05	12,840	11.8	19.7	1,085.4	652.5
2005-06	11,900	10.7	17.7	1,114.2	673.6
2006-07	10,940	9.7	15.9	1,129.8	686.1
2007-08	9,525	8.3	13.7	1,145.4	697.5
2008-09	8,915	7.9	12.7	1,125.4	700.8
2009-10	8,820	7.9	12.6	1,120.0	700.8
2010-11	8,770	7.6	12.2	1,159.9	719.3
2011-12	8,370	7.2	11.6	1,168.3	721.0
2012-13	8,760	7.4	11.9	1,184.9	736.5
2013-14	8,245	7.1	11.4	1,159.2	721.8
2014-15	7,225	6.1	9.9	1,181.7	729.4
2015-16	6,575	5.7	9.0	1,159.8	733.3
% change 2000–01 to 2015–16	-48%	-55%	-58%	16%	24%
2016-17p	6,365	5.3	8.5	1,189.7	752.0

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Table 15f – **Tasmania** – Number and rates of serious claims, number of hours worked and number of employees, 2000–01 to 2016–17p

Year of lodgement	Number of serious ¹ claims	Frequency rate (serious claims per million hours worked)	Incidence rate (serious claims per 1,000 employees)	Total hours worked (million)	Number of employees ('000)
2000-01	2,920	10.5	17.0	278.2	172.0
2001-02	2,940	10.5	16.9	280.1	174.0
2002-03	3,105	10.7	17.6	289.2	176.6
2003-04	3,170	10.7	17.3	297.1	183.3
2004-05	3,430	11.0	17.8	311.4	192.7
2005-06	3,505	11.3	17.8	309.7	196.3
2006-07	3,480	11.0	17.5	317.7	199.3
2007-08	3,410	10.3	16.4	330.9	207.5
2008-09	3,560	10.6	16.7	334.3	212.9
2009-10	3,245	10.2	15.7	319.9	206.3
2010-11	3,340	10.4	15.9	321.4	210.4
2011-12	3,195	9.9	15.1	321.5	211.3
2012-13	2,865	9.0	13.7	317.2	209.2
2013-14	2,785	8.7	13.5	320.5	206.5
2014-15	2,615	7.8	11.9	336.0	219.1
2015-16	2,640	7.9	12.0	334.4	219.9
% change 2000–01 to 2015–16	-10%	-25%	-29%	20%	28%
2016-17p	2,640	7.9	12.1	334.3	219.0

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Table 15b – **Victoria** – Number and rates of serious claims, number of hours worked and number of employees, 2000–01 to 2016–17p

Year of lodgement	Number of serious ¹ claims	Frequency rate (serious claims per million hours worked)	Incidence rate (serious claims per 1,000 employees)	Total hours worked (million)	Number of employees ('000)
2000-01	27,675	7.9	13.4	3,495.5	2,071.0
2001-02	26,710	7.8	12.9	3,441.0	2,068.4
2002-03	26,270	7.4	12.3	3,571.4	2,129.9
2003-04	26,630	7.5	12.3	3,559.2	2,160.2
2004-05	26,570	7.1	11.8	3,751.2	2,245.1
2005-06	26,365	7.0	11.5	3,790.8	2,283.9
2006-07	24,965	6.5	10.7	3,844.9	2,332.5
2007-08	26,820	6.8	11.2	3,917.8	2,394.6
2008-09	23,370	5.9	9.5	3,958.0	2,451.7
2009-10	23,770	5.8	9.5	4,072.4	2,491.6
2010-11	24,090	5.8	9.3	4,173.6	2,577.2
2011-12	24,445	5.8	9.4	4,219.3	2,588.0
2012-13	23,455	5.6	9.0	4,195.7	2,595.3
2013-14	23,015	5.5	8.9	4,176.7	2,593.4
2014-15	22,895	5.3	8.5	4,282.0	2,709.1
2015-16	22,440	5.1	8.1	4,405.1	2,772.6
% change 2000–01 to 2015–16	-19%	-36%	-39%	26%	34%
2016-17p	22,935	5.0	8.0	4,621.2	2,879.7

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Table 15e – **Western Australia** – Number and rates of serious claims, number of hours worked and number of employees, 2000–01 to 2016–17p

Year of lodgement	Number of serious ¹ claims	Frequency rate (serious claims per million hours worked)	Incidence rate (serious claims per 1,000 employees)	Total hours worked (million)	Number of employees ('000)
2000-01	10,590	7.6	12.9	1,395.4	820.2
2001-02	10,065	7.2	12.2	1,390.6	824.0
2002-03	11,170	7.8	13.3	1,438.6	840.8
2003-04	11,765	8.1	13.7	1,453.6	857.9
2004-05	12,470	8.1	14.0	1,533.4	891.7
2005-06	12,045	7.5	12.8	1,614.0	942.1
2006-07	12,375	7.3	12.6	1,694.1	985.6
2007-08	12,785	7.2	12.5	1,768.3	1,019.6
2008-09	12,475	6.8	11.7	1,844.6	1,065.9
2009-10	11,885	6.5	11.1	1,823.8	1,070.4
2010-11	12,700	6.7	11.6	1,891.4	1,097.8
2011-12	13,315	6.6	11.5	2,030.7	1,153.8
2012-13	13,400	6.3	11.0	2,124.8	1,222.5
2013-14	12,690	5.9	10.3	2,155.9	1,233.8
2014-15	12,190	5.7	9.8	2,137.3	1,237.9
2015-16	12,230	5.9	10.0	2,060.3	1,226.2
% change 2000–01 to 2015–16	16%	-22%	-23%	48%	50%
2016-17p	11,140	5.5	9.2	2,016.6	1,211.8

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Table 15j – **Seacare** – Number and rates of serious claims, number of hours worked and number of employees, 2000–01 to 2016–17p

Year of lodgement	Number of serious ¹ claims	Frequency rate (serious claims per million hours worked)	Incidence rate (serious claims per 1,000 employees)	Total hours worked (million)	Number of employees ('000)
2000-01	140	23.2	48.0	6.0	2.9
2001-02	115	17.9	37.1	6.5	3.2
2002-03	120	16.5	35.8	7.3	3.4
2003-04	150	10.7	38.1	14.1	3.9
2004-05	95	6.3	22.1	15.0	4.3
2005-06	130	8.1	26.3	15.9	4.9
2006-07	105	6.3	18.4	16.6	5.7
2007-08	135	7.3	21.3	18.7	6.4
2008-09	185	8.7	29.3	21.0	6.3
2009-10	200	9.9	31.0	20.2	6.4
2010-11	205	9.8	28.5	20.8	7.1
2011-12	200	8.9	25.4	22.7	7.9
2012-13	165	7.2	19.4	23.0	8.5
2013-14	140	6.7	18.9	21.3	7.5
2014-15	125	6.4	17.9	19.3	6.9
2015-16	70	3.9	11.7	17.9	6.0
% change 2000–01 to 2015–16	-50%	-83%	-76%	199%	107%
2016-17p	65	5.6	14.6	11.9	4.6

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