Presentation by the Workers' Compensation Board

February 1, 2021

Good afternoon Senator Rafferty, Representative Sylvester, members of the Labor and

Housing Committee. My name is John Rohde. I am the Executive Director of the Workers'

Compensation Board. I am here today to provide an overview of the Maine Workers'

Compensation Board.

I. WORKERS' COMPENSATION

- the basic operating principle is that an employee is automatically entitled to certain benefits whenever the employee suffers a "personal injury by accident arising out of and in the course of employment" or an occupational disease;
- negligence and fault are largely immaterial . . .;
- coverage is limited to persons having the status of employee, as distinguished from independent contractor;
- benefits to the employee include [lost] wage benefits [based on] the employee's average weekly wage, and hospital, medical and rehabilitation expenses . . .;
- the employee and his or her dependents, in exchange for these . . . benefits, give up their common-law right to sue the employer for damages for any injury covered by the act;
- the right to sue third persons whose negligence caused the injury remains, however, with the proceeds usually being applied first to reimbursement of the employer for the compensation outlay, the balance (or most of it) going to the employee;
- administration is typically in the hands of administrative commissions; and, as far as possible, rules of procedure, evidence, and conflict of laws are relaxed to facilitate the achievement of the beneficent purposes of the legislation; and
- the employer is required to secure its liability through private insurance . . . or "self-insurance . . . "

Adapted from Larson's Workers' Compensation Law, § 1.01.

II. AGENCY STRUCTURE

- A. Board of Directors 7 members (39-A M.R.S.A. § 151.)
 - 1. Executive Director/Chair
 - 2. 3 Directors represent labor; 3 represent management
 - 3. Appointed by Governor
 - a. Executive Director serves at pleasure of Governor

b. Labor and management Directors serve 4-year terms – remain on Board until replaced

4. The Board has general supervision over administration of the Act and responsibility for the efficient and effective management of the board and its employees. (39-A M.R.S.A. § 152(1).)

- 5. Regular meetings
- B. Staff
 - 1. 107 positions
 - 2. 5 Regional offices and a central office
 - a. Central office located in Augusta
 - b. Regional offices
 - i. Caribou
 - ii. Bangor
 - iii. Lewiston
 - iv. Augusta
 - v. Portland

III. COVERAGE

A. With few exceptions, all employers must secure coverage for their employees. (39-A M.R.S.A. § 401)

B. Sole proprietors, partners and members of LLCs are exempt (39-A M.R.S.A. § 102(11)(B).)

C. Owners of 20% of a corporation's voting stock can waive coverage (39-A M.R.S.A. 102(11)(A)(4).)

D. Certain family members related to sole proprietors, partners, members and stock owners can waive coverage – must be in writing and filed with the Board (39-A M.R.S.A. 102(11)(A)(4) & (5).)

E. The Board enforces the coverage requirement and imposes civil penalties where there are violations (39-A M.R.S.A. § 324(3).)

IV. CLAIMS

A. Notice (39-A M.R.S.A. § 301)

1. Notice of an injury must be given to the employer

a. For injuries prior to January 1, 2013, notice must be given within 90 days.

b. For injuries on and after January 1, 2013, notice must be given within 30 days.

c. For injuries on and after January 1, 2020, notice must be given within 60 days.

B. First Reports of Injury ("FROI") (39-A M.R.S.A. § 303)

1. FROIs must be completed within 7 days of notice.

a. If the employee requires treatment but does not miss time from work, the employer must send the FROI to the employee and its insurer. It does not need to be filed with the Board

b. If the employee loses a day or more of work, the FROI must be filed with the Board within 7 days

C. Benefit Payment

1. If an injury is related to work benefits legally due must be paid.

2. Incapacity benefits are due if the employee loses time from work because of the injury.

3. There is a 7 day waiting period before incapacity benefits payments must begin. Compensation for the first 7 days of incapacity must be paid if the employee loses more than 14 days of work. (39-A M.R.S.A. § 204.)

4. An employee's compensation rate is based on the employee's average weekly wage. (39-A M.R.S.A. § 102(4).)

- 5. Compensation for time lost from work
 - a. Incapacity benefits can be for:
 - i. total incapacity (39-A M.R.S.A. § 212) or
 - ii. partial incapacity (39-A M.R.S.A. § 213)

b. For injuries prior to January 1, 2013, the compensation rate is 80% of the injured employee's after-tax average weekly wage

c. For injuries on and after January 1, 2013, the compensation rate is 2/3 of the injured employee's after-tax average weekly wage

d. Incapacity benefits are subject to a maximum weekly rate:

i. For injuries prior to January 1, 2013, the maximum compensation rate is 90% of the state average weekly wage;

ii. For injuries on and after January 1, 2013, the maximum compensation rate is 100% of the state average weekly wage;

iii. For injuries on and after January 1, 2020, the maximum compensation rate is 125% of the state average weekly wage.

D. Medical services

1. An employee is entitled to reasonable and necessary medial services (39-A M.R.S.A. § 206.)

2. Maximum fees are based on a medical fee schedule adopted by the Board (39-A M.R.S.A. § 209-A.)

3. If the employer/insurer denies responsibility it must file a Notice of Controversy (NOC)

V. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

A. Troubleshooting (aka – Case Resolution Specialists) (39-A M.R.S.A. § 153(2); 2021 Annual Report pp. A8-A9.)

1. Troubleshooting is the first step. Troubleshooters call the parties and attempt to resolve outstanding issues.

2. In 2020, 14,160 filings were assigned to the Board's troubleshooters. On average, the troubleshooting phase was completed in 25 days.

B. Mediation (39-A M.R.S.A. § 313; 2021 Annual Report pp. A8 and A10.)

1. Mediation is scheduled if a case is not resolved during troubleshooting. Since March 2020, all mediations have been conducted over the phone. If the case is resolved during Mediation, a written, binding agreement is signed.

2. In 2020, 1,829 cases were assigned to the Board's mediators. On average, the mediation phase was completed in 72 days.

C. Formal Hearing (39-A M.R.S.A. § 315; 2021 Annual Report pp. A-8 and A-11.)

1. Formal Hearings are scheduled if mediation is unsuccessful and petitions are filed. Formal hearings are like trials (without a jury) and are presided over by Administrative Law Judges (ALJs). After conducting hearings, ALJs issue a written decision.

2. In 2020, 1,428 cases were assigned to the Board's ALJs. On average, the formal hearing phase was completed within 8.5 months.

D. Appellate Division (39-A M.R.S.A. § 321-A; 2021 Annual Report pp. A-39-40.)

1. If a party disagrees with an ALJ's decision, it can file an appeal with the Board's Appellate Division. Generally, a panel of three ALJs will review written submissions and, in some cases, hear oral argument. The panel ultimately issues a written decision.

2. In 2020, 32 notices of appeal were filed with the Appellate Division and 28 decisions were issued.

3. If a party disagrees with the Appellate Division's decision, an appeal can be filed with Maine's Law Court. The Law Court has discretion as to whether or not to accept an appeal.

4. In 2020, the Law Court issued two decisions that were appealed from the Appellate Division: *Lorraine Somers v. S.D. Warren*, 2020 ME 137; and, *Darla Potter v. Cooke Aquaculture*, 2020 ME 144. A third case, *Charest v. Hydraulic Hose and Assemblies*, Me. W.C.B. No. 20-10 (App. Div. 2020), is still pending before the Court.

VI. WORKER ADVOCATE PROGRAM

A. Worker Advocates (39-A M.R.S.A. § 153-A; 2021 Annual Report pp. A-21-25.)

1. Worker advocates "provide assistance to qualified employees who proceed to mediation and formal hearing."

2. A qualified employee is one "who, with respect to an injury occurring on or after January 1, 1993, has participated in the troubleshooter program and has not informally resolved the dispute and has demonstrated to the board that legal counsel has not been retained."

3. In 2020, advocates had 242 cases pending before the Board's mediators. This equates to 63% of the cases pending before mediators. Advocates had 272 cases pending before the Board' ALJs. This equates to 43% of the cases pending before ALJs.

VII. MONITORING, AUDIT & ENFORCEMENT

A. Monitoring. (39-A M.R.S.A. § 152(10))

1. To ensure obligations are being met in a timely and accurate manner, the Board monitors compliance with the Act's requirements.

2. Claims Management. (2021 Annual Report pp. A-30-31).

Claims managers process all submissions for an individual claim from start to finish. This ensures payments to injured workers are accurate and that proper forms are completed. Insurance carriers, claims administrators, and self-insured employers benefit from having a single contact in the unit.

3. Monitoring. (2021 Annual Report pp. A-13-14.)

The Board's Monitoring department measures compliance with benchmarks established by the Board.

- a. Current benchmarks:
 - i. For lost time FROIs: 85% must be filed within seven days.

ii. For initial indemnity payments: 87% must be made within 14 days.

iii. For the initial Memorandum of Payment: 85% must be filed within 17 days.

iv. For initial indemnity NOCs: 90% must be filed within 14 days.

v. For wage statements: 75% must be filed within 30 days.

b. Compliance reports.

The Monitoring publishes Quarterly and Annual reports summarizing the compliance of claims administrators.

Annual Compliance Summary

Table 1 Quarterly Compliance Reports

| | Benchmark | First Quarter | Second Quarter | Third Quarter | Fourth Quarter |
|--|-----------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Lost Time First Report Filings Received within 7 Days | 85% | 83% | 83% | 82% | 81% |
| Initial Indemnity Payments Made within 14 Days | 87% | 87% | 86% | 86% | 86% |
| Initial Memorandum of Payment Filings Received within 17 Days | 85% | 85% | 85% | 82% | 84% |
| Initial Indemnity Notice of Controversy Filings Received within 14 Days | 90% | 93% | 93% | 94% | 95% |
| Wage Information (WBC-2) Received with 30 days of an employer's notice of knowledge of a claim for compensation | 75% | N/A | N/A | 71% | 70% |
| Wage Information (WCB-2B) Received with 30 days of an employer's notice of knowledge of a claim for compensation | 75% | N/A | N/A | 71% | 71% |

Table 2Annual Compliance

| | 1997[1] | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
|--|---------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Lost Time First Report Filings Received within 7 Days | 37% | 86% | 87% | 85% | 85% | 84% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 82% |
| Initial Indemnity Payments Made within 14 Days | 59% | 89% | 89% | 90% | 91% | 90% | 87% | 89% | 90% | 88% | 86% |
| Initial Memorandum of Payment Filings Received within 17 Days | 57% | 86% | 89% | 89% | 90% | 89% | 86% | 88% | 89% | 87% | 84% |
| Initial Indemnity Notice of Controversy Filings Received within 14 Days | | 94% | 95% | 95% | 95% | 94% | 94% | 93% | 93% | 94% | 94% |

Table 3Percentage Over Time

| | 1997[1] | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
|--|---------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Lost Time First Report Filings Received within 7 Days | 0% | 135% | 138% | 132% | 133% | 128% | 126% | 126% | 127% | 125% | 122% |
| Initial Indemnity Payments Made within 14 Days | 0% | 50% | 50% | 51% | 52% | 51% | 47% | 50% | 51% | 48% | 45% |
| Initial Memorandum of Payment Filings Received within 17 Days | 0% | 52% | 56% | 56% | 58% | 56% | 52% | 56% | 57% | 52% | 48% |
| Initial Indemnity Notice of Controversy Filings Received within 14 Days | | 3% | 4% | 4% | 4% | 2% | 3% | 1% | 1% | 3% | 3% |

[1] Based on sample data.

LOST TIME FIRST REPORT OF INJURY FILINGS



| Table 4: Received | Within | |
|-------------------|--------|------|
| 0-7 Days | 11,364 | 82% |
| 8-14 Days | 1,359 | 10% |
| 15-29 Days | 675 | 5% |
| 30+ Days | 533 | 4% |
| ? Days | 0 | 0% |
| Total | 13,931 | 100% |

*The percentages may not always add to 100% due to rounding

| Table 5: Above vs B | elow Bend | hmark |
|---------------------|-----------|-------|
| At/Above | 21 | 29% |
| Below | 53 | 71% |
| Total | 74 | 100% |







Summary

The Board received 13,931 lost time first reports. This represents 361 fewer reports than in 2018.

The 2019 compliance rate of 82% for lost time first report filings is slightly less as the 2018 compliance rate. As can be seen on Chart 2, 29% of insurers were at or above the benchmark in 2019, a slight increase over 2018, which had 21% at or above the benchmark.

Incorrect or unknown employer UIAN numbers continue to be an issue. Accurate UIAN data ensures that claims received at the Board are linked to the appropriate insurance policy and claim administrator in a timely manner, thus reducing workloads for all parties. Attention will continue to be placed on improving this area.

INSURANCE GROUP COMPLIANCE

Lost Time FROI and Initial Indemnity Payments

Annual

1/1/2019 - 12/31/2019

| Insurance Company | Total Lost Time FROIs Filed | Lost Time FROIs Filed Timely | Compliance Percentage | Total Initial Indemnity Payments Made | Initial Indemnity Payments Made Timely | Complian Percenta | |
|--|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|---|--|----------------------|---------|
| ACADIA INSURANCE | FROIs Filed | Timely FROIs | Compliance | Payments Made | Timely Payments | Complian | ce |
| CA010 ACADIA INSURANCE | 236 | 167 | 71% | 71 | 56 | 79% | |
| Total | 236 | 167 | 71% 🔻 | 71 | 56 | 79% | • |
| ACADIA INSURANCE Group Total | 236 | 167 | 71% 🔻 | 71 | 56 | 79% | • |
| ACCIDENT FUND INSURANCE ACCIDENT FUND INSURANCE | FROIs Filed | Timely FROIs | Compliance | Payments Made | Timely Payments | Complian * | ce |
| Total | * | * | * | * | * | * | |
| ACCIDENT FUND INSURANCE TPA Administered Claims | | | 4000/ | No. The sec | | | |
| CA070 CANNON COCHRAN MANAGEMENT SERVICES | 1 | 1 | 100% | No Filings | No Filings | No Filings | |
| CA190 GALLAGHER BASSETT SERVICES | 4 | 0 | 0% | 4 | 2 | 50% | |
| TPA Total | | 1 | 20% 🔻 | 4 | 2 | 50% | |
| ACCIDENT FUND INSURANCE Group Total | 5 | 1 | 20% 🔻 | 4 | 2 | 50% | • |
| AIG INSURANCE | FROIs Filed | Timely FROIs | Compliance | Payments Made | Timely Payments | Complian | ce |
| CA015 AIG CLAIMS, INC | 99 | 82 | 83% | 26 | 23 | 88% | |
| AIG INSURANCE TPA Administered Claims | 99 | 82 | 83% 🔻 | 26 | 23 | 88% | |
| CA040 BROADSPIRE SERVICES | 33 | 28 | 85% | 8 | 7 | 88% | |
| CA160 ESIS | 69 | 51 | 74% | 36 | 24 | 67% | |
| CA190 GALLAGHER BASSETT SERVICES | 96 | 79 | 82% | 24 | 20 | 83% | |
| CA204 HELMSMAN MANAGEMENT SERVICES | 4 | 1 | 25% | 2 | 2 | 100% | |
| CA300 SEDGWICK CLAIMS MANAGEMENT SERVICES | 99 | 87 | 88% | 18 | 15 | 83% | |
| TPA Total | 301 | 246 | 82% 🔻 | 88 | 68 | 77% | • |
| AIG INSURANCE Group Total | 400 | 328 | 82% 🔻 | 114 | 91 | 80% | • |
| AIM MUTUAL GROUP | FROIs Filed | Timely FROIs | Compliance | Payments Made | Timely Payments | Complian | се |
| CA472 AIM MUTUAL INSURANCE | 5 | 2 | 40% | 1 | 1 | 100% | |
| Total | 5 | 2 | 40% 🔻 | 1 | 1 | 100% | |
| AIM MUTUAL GROUP Group Total | 5 | 2 | 40% 🔻 | 1 | 1 | 100% | |
| ALTERNATIVE SERVICE CONCEPTS LLC | FROIs Filed | Timely FROIs | Compliance | Payments Made | Timely Payments | Complian | се |
| CA012 ALTERNATIVE SERVICE CONCEPTS LLC | 3 | 2 | 67% | 3 | 3 | 100% | |
| Total | 3 | 2 | 67% 🔻 | 3 | 3 | 100% | |
| ALTERNATIVE SERVICE CONCEPTS LLC Group Total | 3 | 2 | 67% 🔻 | 3 | 3 | 100% | |

Executive Summary

On January 12, 2020, the Maine Workers' Compensation Board of Directors approved the 2020 Third Quarter (July 1, 2020 – September 30, 2020) Compliance Report. This report represents the efforts of the Office of Monitoring, Audit and Enforcement and insurers, self-insurers, and third-party administrators (collectively "insurers").

I. COMPLIANCE OVERVIEW

The Reconciliation Report was sent to 101 insurers on October 26, 2020; 84 responded, 10 were not required to respond and 7 did not respond.

The 3Q20 report represents results based upon data received by November 30, 2020. The results are:

| | Number of Days | Benchmark | 4Q18 | 1Q19 | 2Q19 | 3Q19 | 4Q19 | 1Q20 | 2Q20 | 3Q20 |
|--------|-------------------|-----------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| FROIs | 7 | 85% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 82% | 81% | 83% | 85% | 83% |
| PAYs | 14 | 87% | 87% | 87% | 86% | 86% | 86% | 85% | 90% | 88% |
| MOPs | 17 | 85% | 85% | 85% | 85% | 82% | 84% | 84% | 84% | 85% |
| NOCs | 14 | 90% | 94% | 93% | 93% | 94% | 95% | 95% | 95% | 94% |
| WAGE | 30 | 75% | - | - | - | 71% | 70% | 73% | 72% | 73% |
| FRINGE | 30 | 75% | - | - | - | 71% | 71% | 72% | 72% | 71% |

Compliance Benchmark Tracking



Third Quarter Compliance Report 7/1/2020 - 9/30/2020

INITIAL INDEMNITY PAYMENTS



| Table 2: Made | Within | |
|---------------|--------|------|
| 0-14 Days | 807 | 88% |
| 15-21 Days | 62 | 7% |
| 22-44 Days | 35 | 4% |
| 45+ Days | 12 | 1% |
| ? Days | 0 | 0% |
| Total | 916 | 100% |

*The percentages may not always add to 100% due to rounding

Initial indemnity payments are monitored to ensure that payments are initiated within the time limits established in Section 205. As a result of these efforts, \$17,700 was issued to claimants in penalties and there is another \$7,600 in penalties awaiting resolution.





INSURANCE GROUP COMPLIANCE

Lost Time FROI and Initial Indemnity Payments Third Quarter

7/1/2020 - 9/30/2020

| Insurance Company | Total Lost Time FROIs Filed | Lost Time FROIs Filed Timely | Compliance Percentage | Total Initial Indemnity Payments Made | Initial Indemnity Payments Made Timely | Complianc Percentag | |
|---|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|---|--|-------------------------|----|
| ACADIA INSURANCE | FROIs Filed | Timely FROIs | Compliance | Payments Made | Timely Payments | Complianc | ;e |
| CA010 ACADIA INSURANCE | 59 | 43 | 73% | 18 | 18 | 100% | |
| Total | 59 | 43 | 73% 🔻 | 18 | 18 | 100% | |
| ACADIA INSURANCE Group Total | 59 | 43 | 73% 🔻 | 18 | 18 | 100% | |
| ACCIDENT FUND INSURANCE | FROIs Filed | Timely FROIs | Compliance | Payments Made | Timely Payments | Complianc * | e |
| Total | * | * | * | * | * | * | _ |
| ACCIDENT FUND INSURANCE TPA Administered Claims CA190 GALLAGHER BASSETT SERVICES | 1 | 1 | 100% | 1 | 1 | 100% | |
| TPA Total | 1 | 1 | 100% | 1 | 1 | 100% | |
| ACCIDENT FUND INSURANCE Group Total | 1 | 1 | 100% | 1 | 1 | 100% | |
| ACUITY MUTUAL INSURANCE | FROIs Filed | Timely FROIs | Compliance | Payments Made | Timely Payments | Complianc | |
| CA418 ACUITY MUTUAL INSURANCE | 2 | | 0% | No Filings | No Filings | No Filings | C |
| Total | 2 | 0 | 0% 🔻 | No Filings | No Filings | No Filings | |
| ACUITY MUTUAL INSURANCE Group Total | 2 | 0 | 0% 🔻 | No Filings | No Filings | No Filings | |
| AIG INSURANCE | FROIs Filed | Timely FROIs | Compliance | Payments Made | Timely Payments | Complianc | ;e |
| CA015 AIG CLAIMS, INC | 5 | 5 | 100% | 1 | 1 | 100% | |
| Total | 5 | 5 | 100% 🔺 | 1 | 1 | 100% | |
| AIG INSURANCE TPA Administered Claims CA040 BROADSPIRE SERVICES | * | * | * | * | * | * | |
| CA110 CONSTITUTION STATE SERVICES | 1 | 0 | 0% | No Filings | No Filings | No Filings | |
| CA116 CORVEL ENTERPRISE COMP | 4 | 0 | 0% | No Filings | No Filings | No Filings | |
| CA160 ESIS | 17 | 12 | 71% | 10 | 7 | 70% | |
| CA190 GALLAGHER BASSETT SERVICES | 33 | 32 | 97% | 6 | 5 | 83% | |
| CA204 HELMSMAN MANAGEMENT SERVICES | 2 | 1 | 50% | 1 | 0 | 0% | |
| CA300 SEDGWICK CLAIMS MANAGEMENT SERVICES | 55 | 41 | 75% | 33 | 30 | 91% | |
| TPA Total | 112 | 86 | 77% 🔻 | 50 | 42 | 84% | ▼ |
| AIG INSURANCE Group Total | 117 | 91 | 78% 🔻 | 51 | 43 | 84% | • |
| AIM MUTUAL GROUP CA472 AIM MUTUAL INSURANCE | FROIs Filed 5 | Timely FROIs 4 | Compliance 80% | Payments Made No Filings | Timely Payments No Filings | Complianc No Filings | e |
| Total | 5 | 4 | 80% 🔻 | No Filings | No Filings | No Filings | |
| AIM MUTUAL GROUP Group Total | 5 | 4 | 80% 🔻 | No Filings | No Filings | No Filings | |

▼ Indicates benchmark not met

4. Auditing. (39-A M.R.S.A. § 153(9); 2021 Annual Report pp. A-15-16.)

The Board conducts compliance audits of insurers, self-insurers and third-party administrators to ensure all obligations under the Workers' Compensation Act are met. The functions of the audit program include, but are not limited to, ensuring that all Board reporting requirements are met, auditing the timeliness of benefit payments, auditing the accuracy of indemnity payments, evaluating claimshandling techniques, and determining whether claims are unreasonably contested.

5. Enforcement. (39-A M.R.S.A. § 153(5); 2021 Annual Report pp. A-36.)

The Abuse Investigation Unit (AIU) is responsible for enforcing the administrative penalty provisions of the Workers' Compensation Act. The AIU investigates allegations of fraud, illegal or improper conduct, and violations associated with mandatory filings, payments and insurance coverage. AIU personnel conduct investigations, file complaints and petitions, represent the Board at administrative penalty hearings, and decide penalty cases.

VIII. ADMINISTRATION

- 1. Office of the General Counsel. (2021 Annual Report pp. A-13-14.)
- 2. Information Management. (2021 Annual Report pp. A-26-27.)
- 3. Medical & Rehabilitation Services. (2021 Annual Report pp. A-17-20.)
- 4. Budget. (39-A M.R.S.A. § 153(5); 2021 Annual Report pp. A-28-29.)
 - a. Dedicated revenue
 - b. Assessment
 - i. Self-insured employers
 - ii. Insured employers

IX. COVID-19

| | | | | | | 2020 | | | | | | 2021 | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-------|
| Employer Category | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Jan | Total |
| Healthcare - Facility | 5 | 172 | 79 | 60 | 40 | 69 | 18 | 43 | 52 | 183 | 204 | 30 | 955 |
| Residential Facilities | | 10 | 82 | 105 | 40 | 12 | 23 | 9 | 9 | 202 | 264 | 103 | 859 |
| State | | 10 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 8 | 36 | 75 | 103 | 51 | 32 | 330 |
| Retail - Grocery | | 58 | 31 | 9 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 12 | 2 | 133 |
| Municipal | | 5 | 5 | 13 | 6 | | 25 | 2 | 12 | 24 | 18 | 5 | 115 |
| Healthcare - Physician Office | | 21 | 11 | | | | | | 1 | 8 | 15 | | 56 |
| Healthcare - Home Health | | 9 | 1 | 7 | 1 | | | 1 | 3 | 19 | 5 | 6 | 52 |
| Community & Social Service | | | 3 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 2 | | | 13 | 9 | 1 | 36 |
| Employee Staffing | | | 1 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | | 4 | 16 | 1 | 33 |
| Transportation - Ambulance | | 15 | 1 | 3 | | | 1 | 4 | 2 | | | | 26 |
| Trades | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | 6 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 22 |
| Transportation - Other | | 2 | 1 | | | 1 | | | 1 | 3 | 9 | 2 | 19 |
| Retail - Other | | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 2 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 17 |
| Bars and/or Restaurants | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 6 | 1 | | 16 |
| Aquaculture | | | | | | | | | | 11 | | | 11 |
| Fuel Dealer | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 8 | | 9 |
| Boatyard and Marina | | | | | | | | | | 7 | | | 7 |
| Fitness and Recreation | | | | | | | | | | 2 | 4 | 1 | 7 |
| Cleaning & Janitorial Service | | | | | 3 | | | | | | | 1 | 4 |
| Colleges & Universities | | | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | 3 |
| Paper Mill | | | | | | | | 2 | | 1 | | | 3 |
| Wholesale | | | | | | | | | | 2 | | | 2 |
| Moving and Storage | | 1 | | | | | | | | | 1 | | 2 |
| Professional Services | | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Turnpike Authority | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| Pest Control Services | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | 1 |
| Telecommunication Services | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Security Services | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Manufacturing | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| Banking & Insurance | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | 1 |
| Grand Total | 5 | 308 | 220 | 204 | 105 | 105 | 84 | 105 | 167 | 602 | 630 | 189 | 2724 |

A. COVID-19 Related First Reports of Injury by employer category:

| B. COVID-19 Related First Reports of Injury by job category: | В. | COVID-19 Related | First Reports | of Injury | by job | category: | |
|--|----|------------------|---------------|-----------|--------|-----------|--|
|--|----|------------------|---------------|-----------|--------|-----------|--|

| | | | | | | 2020 |) | | | | | 2021 | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-------|
| Job Category | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Jan | Total |
| Nurse/Nurse Practitioner | 2 | 70 | 38 | 27 | 25 | 42 | 8 | 24 | 29 | 121 | 125 | 30 | 541 |
| CNA | | 18 | 34 | 27 | 13 | 20 | 13 | 8 | 10 | 96 | 149 | 35 | 423 |
| Direct Support Professional | | 10 | 43 | 62 | 32 | 12 | 8 | | 5 | 59 | 73 | 24 | 328 |
| Clinical Support Services | 3 | 58 | 19 | 23 | 12 | 8 | 10 | 12 | 13 | 55 | 59 | 10 | 282 |
| Customer Service | | 63 | 32 | 11 | 2 | 9 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 19 | 22 | 9 | 183 |
| Administrative Support | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Services | | 30 | 7 | 9 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 21 | 14 | 41 | 42 | 10 | 182 |
| Corrections | | 2 | | | | | 15 | 1 | 49 | 65 | 29 | 10 | 171 |
| Facilities Support Services | | 7 | 14 | 15 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 43 | 50 | 23 | 166 |
| Laborer | | | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | 7 | 18 | 14 | 29 | 6 | 77 |
| Rehab Services | | 10 | 18 | 9 | 2 | 2 | 1 | | | 10 | 8 | 4 | 64 |
| Physician/Physician Assistant | | 16 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 10 | 13 | | 61 |
| Skilled Labor | | 2 | 1 | | 2 | | | 12 | | 13 | 9 | 10 | 49 |
| Law Enforcement | | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 4 | | 10 | 8 | 5 | 2 | 38 |
| Firefighter | | 3 | 2 | 6 | 2 | | 7 | | 5 | 7 | | | 32 |
| EMT/Paramedic | | 10 | 2 | 1 | 4 | | 1 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 1 | | 28 |
| Courts | | | | | | | | 5 | | 10 | 1 | 7 | 23 |
| Driver - Other | | 1 | 2 | 1 | | 1 | | | | 3 | 9 | 4 | 21 |
| Driver - Ambulance | | 5 | | 3 | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | 11 |
| Aquaculture | | | | | | | | | | 11 | | | 11 |
| Unknown | | | | | | | | | | | 4 | 5 | 9 |
| Educational Support Services | | | | | | | | | 1 | 4 | | | 5 |
| Teacher | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 4 |
| Engineer | | | | | 1 | | | | | 1 | 1 | | 3 |
| Child Care | | | | | | | | | | 3 | | | 3 |
| Transportation Support | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Services | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | 2 |
| Technician | | | | 1 | | | 1 | | | | | | 2 |
| Security Guard | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Dental Hygienist | | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Personal Care Services | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| Tax Examiner | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Professor | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| Grand Total | 5 | 308 | 220 | 204 | 105 | 105 | 84 | 105 | 167 | 602 | 630 | 189 | 2724 |



C. Disposition of claims for which a Lost Time First Report of Injury was filed:

D. Disposition of claims where the employee lost 7 or more days of work:



E. Comparison of 2019 – 2020 data:

| 2020 | | | |
|----------------------------|-------|-----|------------|
| Lost Time First Reports of | | | % Change v |
| Injury | | | 2019 |
| 1 - RTW | 5341 | 40% | -23% |
| 2 - Denied | 2756 | 21% | 28% |
| 3 – ER Pay | 567 | 4% | 336% |
| 4 - IR Pay | 3641 | 27% | -21% |
| 5 - Open | 1004 | 8% | 68% |
| Grand Total | 13309 | | -7% |
| Claims for Co | | | |
| 2 - Denied | 2756 | 40% | 28% |
| 3 – ER Pay | 567 | 8% | 336% |
| 4 - IR Pay | 3641 | 52% | -21% |
| Grand Total | 6964 | | 1% |

| 2020 - No | | | |
|----------------------------|-------|-----|------------|
| Lost Time First Reports of | | | % Change v |
| Injury | | | 2019 |
| 1 - RTW | 4785 | 44% | -31% |
| 2 - Denied | 2020 | 19% | -6% |
| 3 – ER Pay | 106 | 1% | -18% |
| 4 - IR Pay | 3249 | 30% | -29% |
| 5 - Open | 751 | 7% | 26% |
| Grand Total | 10911 | | -24% |
| Claims for Compensation | | | |
| 2 - Denied | 2020 | 38% | -6% |
| 3 – ER Pay | 106 | 2% | -18% |
| 4 - IR Pay | 3249 | 60% | -29% |
| Grand Total | 5375 | | -22% |