

WorkSafeBC Claims-Related Statistics for All Agriculture

The following chart shows a five-year overview of key injury-related indicators for agriculture.

Short term disability claims (STD) are for work-related injuries and illnesses where the worker fully recovers and is able return to the original job. Long term disability claims are for work-related injuries and illnesses once it is clear that the worker will not fully recover, and will require a partial or full pension (or may receive a lump sum award instead), and may include costs for vocational rehabilitation. Fatal claims are paid to the survivors of a worker who dies of a work-related injury or illness; these may take the form of a regular pension, or a lump sum award. Taken together, these three indicators (STD/LTD/FTL) show a general picture of the claims for each year.

The injury rate is the number of accepted non-HCO claims, expressed in relation to the estimated numbers of person-years worked in the given sector. (The term non-HCO claims refers to the STD/LTD/FTL claims paid out within the year in question, as well as those paid out within the first three months of the following year. The number of non-HCO claims more accurately captures all the claims that originated in a given year.)

Serious injuries are defined in a standardized system, and include major or multiple fractures, amputations, 3rd degree burns, and other serious spinal or head injuries.

Accepted fatal claims are those accepted in the reporting year, regardless of when the actual death took place (claims are not necessarily settled in the same year they occurred). No average is given for accepted fatal claims on this chart, as the numbers are too small for an average to be meaningful.

Year	STD/LTD/FTL	Injury Rate	Serious Injuries	Accepted FataIs
2000	819	4.4	42	8
2001	812	4.3	42	4
2002	715	3.8	33	6
2003	797	3.9	37	6
2004	739	3.7	38	1
2000-2004 total	3882	-	192	25
Yearly average	776	4.0	38	-