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# Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court

# Statistical Report

*for Injury Years 1999 – 2008*

This report summarizes information reported to the court by employers and insurers for work-related injuries and illnesses that occurred during calendar years 1999 through 2008, regardless of the year in which the reports were filed. The data includes information reported through April 30, 2009 and is compiled in the tables described below in accordance with the year in which the injury occurred.

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	Year of Injury									
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
Female	17,261	18,354	18,268	19,854	20,146	20,738	20,893	22,313	24,411	24,514
Male	24,918	26,941	26,885	29,513	31,731	31,315	32,668	36,669	40,059	40,412
Unreported	4,120	3,970	2,743	2,274	463	1,822	4,634	4,162	2,757	2,089
<b>Total</b>	<b>46,299</b>	<b>49,265</b>	<b>47,896</b>	<b>51,641</b>	<b>52,340</b>	<b>53,875</b>	<b>58,195</b>	<b>63,144</b>	<b>67,227</b>	<b>67,015</b>

	Year of Injury									
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
17 Years & Under	561	616	559	624	632	662	800	908	1,192	1,170
18-19 Years	1,432	1,474	1,593	1,739	1,741	1,822	1,861	2,198	2,766	2,627
20-29 Years	11,123	11,882	11,976	12,849	13,156	13,400	14,433	15,490	17,285	17,181
30-39 Years	9,813	10,455	10,168	11,234	11,624	12,434	13,706	15,239	16,937	17,390
40-49 Years	10,619	11,679	11,572	12,702	13,137	13,588	13,992	14,920	15,507	14,843
50-59 Years	9,200	9,631	9,036	9,432	8,915	8,845	8,634	8,734	8,623	8,439
60-69 Years	2,994	2,968	2,522	2,612	2,622	2,627	2,360	2,393	2,341	2,244
70+ Years	545	542	456	440	471	461	483	436	426	380
Unreported	12	18	14	9	42	36	1,926	2,826	2,150	2,741
<b>Total</b>	<b>46,299</b>	<b>49,265</b>	<b>47,896</b>	<b>51,641</b>	<b>52,340</b>	<b>53,875</b>	<b>58,195</b>	<b>63,144</b>	<b>67,227</b>	<b>67,015</b>

	Year of Injury									
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
Back	6,159	6,587	6,440	7,298	7,527	8,066	9,145	9,735	9,901	9,047
Body As A Whole	13	19	23	17	22	36	24	2	1	0
Head	4,858	5,193	5,216	5,661	5,718	5,889	6,525	7,149	7,783	7,348
Knee	3,421	3,664	3,347	3,487	3,528	3,639	3,732	3,967	4,064	3,921
Lower Extremities	5,422	5,491	5,401	5,808	5,777	5,859	6,208	6,723	7,296	7,359
Multiple Body Parts	5,428	5,707	4,780	5,169	4,829	4,863	5,148	6,085	6,207	7,010
Neck	655	1,056	1,180	1,069	906	879	1,059	1,133	963	990
Trunk	2,233	2,404	2,260	2,627	2,826	2,692	2,838	3,039	3,761	4,481
Upper Extremities	15,962	16,831	16,969	18,093	18,587	19,275	20,611	22,145	23,848	23,585
Wrist	2,148	2,313	2,280	2,412	2,620	2,677	2,905	3,166	3,403	3,274
<b>Total</b>	<b>46,299</b>	<b>49,265</b>	<b>47,896</b>	<b>51,641</b>	<b>52,340</b>	<b>53,875</b>	<b>58,195</b>	<b>63,144</b>	<b>67,227</b>	<b>67,015</b>

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**Table 4 — Injuries Reported by Cause of Injury\***

	Year of Injury									
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
Burn/Scald-Heat/Cold Exposure	1,596	1,698	1,812	2,100	2,022	1,868	2,320	2,947	3,088	2,864
Caught In Or Inbetween	1,980	1,998	2,099	2,337	2,274	2,417	2,421	2,732	2,872	2,529
Fall Or Slip Injury	9,762	10,937	8,229	9,619	9,418	9,733	9,229	11,570	10,556	10,842
Injured By Cut, Puncture Or Scrape	5,673	5,844	5,990	6,015	5,871	5,866	6,515	7,086	8,835	9,769
Motor Vehicle	1,051	1,084	995	1,179	1,170	1,099	1,194	1,237	1,192	1,231
Rubbed Or Abraded	218	237	190	229	241	218	242	211	237	152
Strain	13,151	13,843	14,713	15,036	15,773	16,287	18,533	19,094	20,860	20,951
Striking Against Or Stepping On	2,140	2,165	2,352	3,046	3,189	3,386	3,580	3,759	3,429	2,769
Struck	6,254	6,363	6,396	6,852	6,969	7,098	7,722	7,541	8,284	8,301
Miscellaneous Causes	4,474	5,096	5,120	5,228	5,413	5,903	6,439	6,967	7,874	7,607
<b>Total</b>	<b>46,299</b>	<b>49,265</b>	<b>47,896</b>	<b>51,641</b>	<b>52,340</b>	<b>53,875</b>	<b>58,195</b>	<b>63,144</b>	<b>67,227</b>	<b>67,015</b>

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**Table 5 — Injuries Reported by Nature of Injury\***

	Year of Injury									
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
Amputation	98	107	111	117	117	129	144	155	189	145
Bruise Or Swelling	7,476	8,381	8,491	9,131	9,085	9,555	9,762	10,845	11,032	9,854
Burn Or Exposure	1,356	1,415	1,404	1,495	1,538	1,525	1,785	1,910	2,089	2,180
Cut Or Abrasion	9,810	10,132	10,459	11,551	11,593	11,987	13,185	14,189	15,629	15,832
Fracture	1,892	1,995	1,820	1,865	1,925	1,962	1,941	2,189	2,267	2,155
Multiple Injuries	1,253	1,180	908	873	951	787	832	1,023	1,316	1,974
Occupational Disease	358	377	393	418	466	482	505	550	632	535
Repetitive Motion	916	867	958	955	1,195	1,181	1,241	1,217	1,329	1,052
Sprain Or Rupture	17,079	18,371	17,549	19,334	20,130	20,369	22,601	24,355	23,588	21,859
All Other Claims, NOC	6,061	6,440	5,803	5,902	5,340	5,898	6,199	6,711	9,156	11,429
<b>Total</b>	<b>46,299</b>	<b>49,265</b>	<b>47,896</b>	<b>51,641</b>	<b>52,340</b>	<b>53,875</b>	<b>58,195</b>	<b>63,144</b>	<b>67,227</b>	<b>67,015</b>

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**Table 6 — Injuries Reported by Industry\***

	Year of Injury									
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
Accommodation & Food Services	2,164	2,384	2,239	2,314	2,477	2,759	3,161	3,222	3,771	3,858
Administrative & Support, Waste Management, & Remediation Services	1,711	1,891	1,912	1,880	1,870	2,679	2,779	2,290	2,824	2,941
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, & Hunting	775	913	838	895	1,148	1,096	1,221	1,297	1,551	1,322
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	148	153	174	189	367	238	161	144	158	123
Construction	2,818	2,947	2,884	3,287	3,457	3,759	4,057	4,468	5,183	5,380
Educational Services	2,962	3,267	2,709	2,692	2,800	2,826	2,812	3,119	2,909	3,494
Finance & Insurance	629	714	583	719	616	629	750	1,201	1,624	966
Health Care & Social Assistance	5,482	5,614	4,528	4,450	5,335	7,013	6,749	6,558	6,912	7,902
Information	680	835	775	946	1,022	863	767	684	750	1,583
Company & Enterprise Management	428	615	695	908	762	249	133	130	93	76
Manufacturing	8,335	9,060	9,267	9,800	9,959	10,444	12,168	14,602	16,930	16,852
Mining	95	108	82	89	161	163	149	160	157	100
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	1,338	1,402	1,861	1,948	1,369	1,017	1,584	1,836	1,523	876
Public Administration	3,934	4,330	4,072	4,563	5,479	5,740	6,013	6,010	5,083	3,144
Real Estate, Rental, & Leasing	467	450	388	350	353	366	379	415	496	486
Retail Trade	4,563	4,723	4,925	5,072	4,598	4,965	4,952	5,317	5,942	6,137
Transportation & Warehousing	3,940	4,100	3,831	4,381	4,175	4,115	4,776	5,304	5,234	5,328
Utilities	516	577	550	559	466	503	542	543	597	753
Wholesale Trade	2,554	2,676	2,347	2,466	2,535	2,895	3,183	3,547	4,110	4,425
Other Services	864	1,053	930	998	1,289	1,414	1,379	1,568	1,172	1,071
Unknown	1,896	1,453	2,306	3,135	2,102	142	480	729	208	198
<b>Total</b>	<b>46,299</b>	<b>49,265</b>	<b>47,896</b>	<b>51,641</b>	<b>52,340</b>	<b>53,875</b>	<b>58,195</b>	<b>63,144</b>	<b>67,227</b>	<b>67,015</b>

\* Classified according to the Standard Industrial Classification Manual codes published by the Office of Management & Budget.

<b>Table 7 — Payments Reported by Benefit Type</b>										
	<b>Year of Injury</b>									
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
<b>Temporary Partial</b>										
Payments Reported for Benefit Type	\$913,416.23	\$1,675,791.30	\$1,861,791.26	\$2,131,581.47	\$1,722,132.90	\$2,015,242.59	\$1,944,473.13	\$1,921,752.03	\$2,011,069.95	\$1,893,834.86
Injuries With Benefit Type Reported	988	1,329	1,418	1,763	1,625	1,514	1,575	1,573	1,636	1,600
Average Payment Per Injury With Benefit Type Reported	\$924.51	\$1,260.94	\$1,312.97	\$1,209.06	\$1,059.77	\$1,331.07	\$1,234.59	\$1,221.71	\$1,229.26	\$1,183.65
<b>Temporary Total</b>										
Payments Reported for Benefit Type	\$12,853,774.75	\$22,408,083.83	\$22,735,649.95	\$25,009,657.00	\$26,516,403.01	\$29,495,886.52	\$32,647,653.00	\$35,617,583.84	\$33,381,876.58	\$29,839,633.78
Injuries With Benefit Type Reported	4,818	5,752	5,486	5,940	5,988	6,105	6,480	6,727	6,633	6,601
Average Payment Per Injury With Benefit Type Reported	\$2,667.87	\$3,895.70	\$4,144.30	\$4,210.38	\$4,428.26	\$4,831.43	\$5,038.22	\$5,294.72	\$5,032.70	\$4,520.47
<b>Permanent Partial Scheduled</b>										
Payments Reported for Benefit Type	\$3,408,519.01	\$11,514,662.17	\$14,771,985.09	\$17,583,652.16	\$18,184,873.69	\$18,050,560.06	\$18,398,328.79	\$18,892,733.49	\$18,499,854.68	\$17,317,447.10
Injuries With Benefit Type Reported	724	1,759	2,093	2,298	2,322	2,379	2,486	2,556	2,359	2,173
Average Payment Per Injury With Benefit Type Reported	\$4,707.90	\$6,546.14	\$7,057.80	\$7,651.72	\$7,831.56	\$7,587.46	\$7,400.78	\$7,391.52	\$7,842.24	\$7,969.37
<b>Permanent Partial Unscheduled</b>										
Payments Reported for Benefit Type	\$481,973.20	\$2,418,091.86	\$3,847,944.42	\$4,617,269.58	\$5,404,016.72	\$7,375,905.08	\$8,128,237.03	\$8,016,650.68	\$15,494,687.10	\$7,501,916.04
Injuries With Benefit Type Reported	107	370	454	519	593	750	843	876	943	958
Average Payment Per Injury With Benefit Type Reported	\$4,504.42	\$6,535.38	\$8,475.65	\$8,896.47	\$9,113.01	\$9,834.54	\$9,642.04	\$9,151.43	\$16,431.27	\$7,830.81
<b>Permanent Total</b>										
Payments Reported for Benefit Type	\$1,958.73	\$62,364.97	\$111,834.46	\$493,212.04	\$640,164.00	\$1,012,685.80	\$1,388,235.69	\$817,484.24	\$2,226,043.67	\$1,482,069.19
Injuries With Benefit Type Reported	1	12	16	28	36	55	52	35	42	21
Average Payment Per Injury With Benefit Type Reported	\$1,958.73	\$5,197.08	\$6,989.65	\$17,614.72	\$17,782.33	\$18,412.47	\$26,696.84	\$23,356.69	\$53,001.04	\$70,574.72
<b>Medical</b>										
Payments Reported for Benefit Type	\$78,771,643.48	\$128,497,788.12	\$130,022,044.18	\$129,368,303.22	\$136,395,513.83	\$133,740,788.24	\$130,720,557.01	\$120,482,100.83	\$116,134,396.26	\$99,383,664.74
Injuries With Benefit Type Reported	28,444	31,682	32,266	33,013	33,094	33,319	33,851	33,369	35,595	36,525
Average Payment Per Injury With Benefit Type Reported	\$2,769.36	\$4,055.86	\$4,029.69	\$3,918.71	\$4,121.46	\$4,013.95	\$3,861.65	\$3,610.60	\$3,262.66	\$2,720.98
<b>Death</b>										
Payments Reported for Benefit Type	\$139,027.73	\$604,921.32	\$568,414.88	\$998,414.96	\$1,351,721.00	\$1,348,748.86	\$3,167,390.46	\$3,206,360.34	\$1,990,936.57	\$2,069,726.12
Injuries With Benefit Type Reported	17	27	17	20	32	30	50	32	23	27
Average Payment Per Injury With Benefit Type Reported	\$8,178.10	\$22,404.49	\$33,436.17	\$49,920.75	\$42,241.28	\$44,958.30	\$63,347.81	\$100,198.76	\$86,562.46	\$76,656.52
<b>Settlement (Compromised Unspecified)</b>										
Payments Reported for Benefit Type	\$1,587,227.08	\$8,092,552.37	\$16,157,399.60	\$21,675,597.77	\$26,005,838.59	\$30,706,428.49	\$38,021,721.32	\$39,154,423.44	\$38,241,219.97	\$36,772,159.08
Injuries With Benefit Type Reported	174	655	1,020	1,247	1,321	1,512	1,813	1,948	2,071	2,082
Average Payment Per Injury With Benefit Type Reported	\$9,121.99	\$12,355.04	\$15,840.59	\$17,382.20	\$19,686.48	\$20,308.48	\$20,971.72	\$20,099.81	\$18,465.10	\$17,661.94

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	Year of Injury									
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
<b>Vocational Rehabilitation</b>										
Payments Reported for Benefit Type	\$384,447.98	\$1,278,073.57	\$1,820,485.93	\$2,895,060.76	\$3,105,181.51	\$3,331,056.48	\$3,142,973.71	\$4,082,798.63	\$3,579,204.49	\$3,081,421.92
Injuries With Benefit Type Reported	177	347	476	580	718	756	685	751	710	699
Average Payment Per Injury With Benefit Type Reported	\$2,172.02	\$3,683.21	\$3,824.55	\$4,991.48	\$4,324.77	\$4,406.16	\$4,588.28	\$5,436.48	\$5,041.13	\$4,408.33
<b>Other (includes legal fees, mileage, etc.)</b>										
Payments Reported for Benefit Type	\$3,406,749.27	\$7,269,996.96	\$9,326,113.83	\$9,975,433.72	\$13,187,972.83	\$11,321,051.15	\$11,426,744.38	\$9,296,712.44	\$7,931,021.96	\$5,559,578.49
Injuries With Benefit Type Reported	1,467	2,411	2,600	2,842	2,428	1,713	1,988	3,504	3,865	3,580
Average Payment Per Injury With Benefit Type Reported	\$2,322.26	\$3,015.35	\$3,586.97	\$3,510.00	\$5,431.62	\$6,608.90	\$5,747.86	\$2,653.17	\$2,052.01	\$1,552.95

	Year of Injury									
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
<b>Temporary Partial</b>										
Payments Reported for Benefit Type	\$913,416.23	\$1,675,791.30	\$1,861,791.26	\$2,131,581.47	\$1,722,132.90	\$2,015,242.59	\$1,944,473.13	\$1,921,752.03	\$2,011,069.95	\$1,893,834.86
Total Injuries Reported	46,299	49,265	47,896	51,641	52,340	53,875	58,195	63,144	67,227	67,015
Average Payment Per Injury Reported	\$19.73	\$34.02	\$38.87	\$41.28	\$32.90	\$37.41	\$33.41	\$30.43	\$29.91	\$28.26
<b>Temporary Total</b>										
Payments Reported for Benefit Type	\$12,853,774.75	\$22,408,083.83	\$22,735,649.95	\$25,009,657.00	\$26,516,403.01	\$29,495,886.52	\$32,647,653.00	\$35,617,583.84	\$33,381,876.58	\$29,839,633.78
Total Injuries Reported	46,299	49,265	47,896	51,641	52,340	53,875	58,195	63,144	67,227	67,015
Average Payment Per Injury Reported	\$277.63	\$454.85	\$474.69	\$484.30	\$506.62	\$547.49	\$561.00	\$564.07	\$496.55	\$445.27
<b>Permanent Partial Scheduled</b>										
Payments Reported for Benefit Type	\$3,408,519.01	\$11,514,662.17	\$14,771,985.09	\$17,583,652.16	\$18,184,873.69	\$18,050,560.06	\$18,398,328.79	\$18,892,733.49	\$18,499,854.68	\$17,317,447.10
Total Injuries Reported	46,299	49,265	47,896	51,641	52,340	53,875	58,195	63,144	67,227	67,015
Average Payment Per Injury Reported	\$73.62	\$233.73	\$308.42	\$340.50	\$347.44	\$335.05	\$316.15	\$299.20	\$275.18	\$258.41
<b>Permanent Partial Unscheduled</b>										
Payments Reported for Benefit Type	\$481,973.20	\$2,418,091.86	\$3,847,944.42	\$4,617,269.58	\$5,404,016.72	\$7,375,905.08	\$8,128,237.03	\$8,016,650.68	\$15,494,687.10	\$7,501,916.04
Total Injuries Reported	46,299	49,265	47,896	51,641	52,340	53,875	58,195	63,144	67,227	67,015
Average Payment Per Injury Reported	\$10.41	\$49.08	\$80.34	\$89.41	\$103.25	\$136.91	\$139.67	\$126.96	\$230.48	\$111.94
<b>Permanent Total</b>										
Payments Reported for Benefit Type	\$1,958.73	\$62,364.97	\$111,834.46	\$493,212.04	\$640,164.00	\$1,012,685.80	\$1,388,235.69	\$817,484.24	\$2,226,043.67	\$1,482,069.19
Total Injuries Reported	46,299	49,265	47,896	51,641	52,340	53,875	58,195	63,144	67,227	67,015
Average Payment Per Injury Reported	\$0.04	\$1.27	\$2.33	\$9.55	\$12.23	\$18.80	\$23.85	\$12.95	\$33.11	\$22.12

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**Table 8 — Payments Reported by Injury (Continued)**

	Year of Injury									
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
<b>Medical</b>										
Payments Reported for Benefit Type	\$78,771,643.48	\$128,497,788.12	\$130,022,044.18	\$129,368,303.22	\$136,395,513.83	\$133,740,788.24	\$130,720,557.01	\$120,482,100.83	\$116,134,396.26	\$99,383,664.74
Total Injuries Reported	46,299	49,265	47,896	51,641	52,340	53,875	58,195	63,144	67,227	67,015
Average Payment Per Injury Reported	\$1,701.37	\$2,608.30	\$2,714.67	\$2,505.15	\$2,605.95	\$2,482.43	\$2,246.25	\$1,908.05	\$1,727.50	\$1,483.01
<b>Death</b>										
Payments Reported for Benefit Type	\$139,027.73	\$604,921.32	\$568,414.88	\$998,414.96	\$1,351,721.00	\$1,348,748.86	\$3,167,390.46	\$3,206,360.34	\$1,990,936.57	\$2,069,726.12
Total Injuries Reported	46,299	49,265	47,896	51,641	52,340	53,875	58,195	63,144	67,227	67,015
Average Payment Per Injury Reported	\$3.00	\$12.28	\$11.87	\$19.33	\$25.83	\$25.03	\$54.43	\$50.78	\$29.62	\$30.88
<b>Settlement (Compromised Unspecified)</b>										
Payments Reported for Benefit Type	\$1,587,227.08	\$8,092,552.37	\$16,157,399.60	\$21,675,597.77	\$26,005,838.59	\$30,706,428.49	\$38,021,721.32	\$39,154,423.44	\$38,241,219.97	\$36,772,159.08
Total Injuries Reported	46,299	49,265	47,896	51,641	52,340	53,875	58,195	63,144	67,227	67,015
Average Payment Per Injury Reported	\$34.28	\$164.27	\$337.34	\$419.74	\$496.86	\$569.96	\$653.35	\$620.08	\$568.84	\$548.72
<b>Vocational Rehabilitation</b>										
Payments Reported for Benefit Type	\$384,447.98	\$1,278,073.57	\$1,820,485.93	\$2,895,060.76	\$3,105,181.51	\$3,331,056.48	\$3,142,973.71	\$4,082,798.63	\$3,579,204.49	\$3,081,421.92
Total Injuries Reported	46,299	49,265	47,896	51,641	52,340	53,875	58,195	63,144	67,227	67,015
Average Payment Per Injury Reported	\$8.30	\$25.94	\$38.01	\$56.06	\$59.33	\$61.83	\$54.01	\$64.66	\$53.24	\$45.98
<b>Other (includes legal fees, mileage, etc.)</b>										
Payments Reported for Benefit Type	\$3,406,749.27	\$7,269,996.96	\$9,326,113.83	\$9,975,433.72	\$13,187,972.83	\$11,321,051.15	\$11,426,744.38	\$9,296,712.44	\$7,931,021.96	\$5,559,578.49
Total Injuries Reported	46,299	49,265	47,896	51,641	52,340	53,875	58,195	63,144	67,227	67,015
Average Payment Per Injury Reported	\$73.58	\$147.57	\$194.72	\$193.17	\$251.97	\$210.14	\$196.35	\$147.23	\$117.97	\$82.96
<b>Total</b>										
Payments Reported for Benefit Type	\$101,948,737.46	\$183,822,326.47	\$201,223,663.60	\$214,748,182.68	\$232,513,818.08	\$238,398,353.27	\$248,986,314.52	\$241,488,599.96	\$239,490,311.23	\$204,901,451.32
Total Injuries Reported	46,299	49,265	47,896	51,641	52,340	53,875	58,195	63,144	67,227	67,015
Average Payment Per Injury Reported	\$2,201.96	\$3,731.30	\$4,201.26	\$4,158.48	\$4,442.37	\$4,425.03	\$4,278.48	\$3,824.41	\$3,562.41	\$3,057.55