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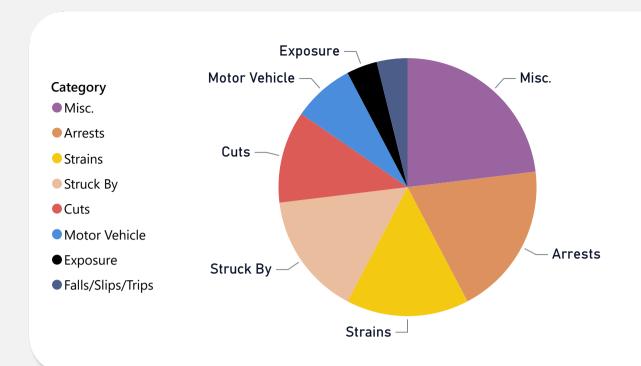
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Law Enforcement Workers' Compensation Claims

Count of Claim ID

Cause	Company Nurse Info
Arrests	Lower back pain : The employee stated that he had to fight an individual he was arresting. The employee was trying to get the man in handcuffs and wrestled him to the ground, causing lower back pain.
Arrests	Pain in the right big toe : The employee stated he was arresting a combative female, and after the struggle, he felt pain in his right big toe. He did not fall to the ground.
Arrests	Pain to the right wrist and scratches to the right arm, left wrist, and neck: The employee was taking a resisting suspect to the ground in the woods while trying to put handcuffs on the suspect. After the altercation, the employee's right wrist was sore.
Arrests	Scrapes to both elbows, right hand, and right knee : The employee was chasing a suspect that did not want to stop and tackled the suspect to the ground.
Arrests	Soreness and swelling to the right hand, between the index and middle finger knuckles: The employee hurt his right hand between his index and middle finger knuckles in a physical altercation with a person he was arresting.
Cuts	Bad right hand swelling and brief bleeding : The employee stated he was stapling targets on cardboard. He looked away, and the staple went into his right hand, which he pulled out.
Cuts	Poked by a used needle on the left index finger: The employee was trying to recap a dirty needle when it accidentally poked the employee's left index finger.
Cuts	Right index finger cut : The employee was responding to a welfare check. The employee was holding the handle of the door when a male answered. The handle broke and cut the employee's right index finger.
Exposure	Unknown inhalation : An employee driving down the road inhaled something unknown. His airway closed up, then his nasal passage and throat. He went to the ER. They were recently exposed to gas last week but is still unsure why he reacted.
Falls/Slips/Trips	Grazed her head on the support of the rail on the upper left side of forehead - did not break the skin, headache, and rug burns to both knees and elbows: Please Note: States she was struck from behind in Oct. 2022 and fell on black ice in Feb. 2023, with both resulting in a concussion. The employee has just come in from being outside. There was a rug on the floor, and the employee's foot caught the rug, causing her to trip and fall.
Misc.	Broken tooth: The employee was eating a brownie in the break room, and it broke his tooth.
Misc.	Chest pain, with pain in fingers and arm : The employee sat in the patrol car while a coworker got fuel and started having pain in the arm, fingers, and chest.
Misc.	Dizziness, chest pain, nausea, and vomiting: An employee running a qualifying course became overexerted.
Misc.	Exposure to scabies : The employee was detaining a subject who was resisting when he made physical contact with the person who had scabies.
Misc.	No symptoms : The employee was fighting with a guy who spat on the employee's face. It went to his open left eye.
Misc.	Spit or body fluid exposure to the face, hair, and body, including possible exposure to the eyes and mouth: The employee was arresting and placing handcuffs on an individual when that person spat in the employee's face, possibly in his eyes and mouth. The employee states that the spit was all over his body and hair.
Motor Vehicle	Neck pain : The employee stated that while in between crossing students, she went to sit in her car. While sitting there, a car hit her vehicle from behind. This caused her neck to hurt. The airbags did not deploy.
Motor Vehicle	The back of his head, back, and neck hurt, and he feels a little dizzy : The employee was driving on Lone Oak Road when traffic was stopped. The employee stopped, but the car behind him did not. The other vehicle ran into the back of his police car.
Strains	Intense pain and throbbing in the right ankle, and hard to bear weight on his right foot : The employee stated that while pursuing a fleeing suspect on foot, he decided to look for the suspect in an open field. He jumped a fence and realized the bottom was further than expected. When he landed on his feet, his right ankle curled up, putting a lot of pressure on it.
Strains	Pain to the right knee : The employee's knee blew out while walking on the treadmill. He grabbed the treadmill bars and kept his balance.
Strains	Soreness and pain in the left knee : An employee running after a suspect stepped in a hole and hyperextended his left knee, causing the employee to fall to the ground.
Strains	Swelling and pain in the right hand and stiffness in the right wrist: The employee was practicing handcuffing. The employee was handcuffed, and the handcuff twisted her right wrist.
Struck By	Bruising and pain in the right eye and headaches : The employee was at the hospital because there was an individual who was out of control. The individual was aggressive and hit the employee in the right eye.
Struck By	Pain and bleeding to right forearm : The supervisor stated that the employee was sitting with a patient/inmate in the emergency. The patient bit him on the right forearm, causing bleeding.
Struck By	Scrapes to the right knee and a small scratch to the left knee : The employee was dealing with an intoxicated 18-year-old. The individual was upset, threw up his hands, and hit the employee on the left cheek. While taking the individual to the ground, the employee scraped his knees.
Struck By	Left pinkie is swollen and painful, and it hurts to put any kind of pressure on it : The employee responding to a scene. Juveniles were fighting, and one ran away. He caught up with the juvenile who fought with him. Somehow during the struggle, the employee injured his left pinkie.

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Category	Count of Claim ID
Arrests	5
Cuts	3
Exposure	1
Falls/Slips/Trips	1
Misc.	6
Motor Vehicle	2
Strains	4
Struck By	4
Total	26

Five Year Overview



Remember Wear Your Vest, Wear Your Seatbelt, and Slow Down!!

Category	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total
Struck By	56	50	52	57	46	261
Striking Against	9	16	8	5	8	46
Strains	60	38	55	55	61	269
Motor Vehicle	41	25	28	26	20	140
Misc.	35	58	51	33	38	215
Falls/Slips/Trips	51	30	52	38	31	202
Exposure	24	11	15	12	14	76
Cuts	22	20	23	13	13	91
Covid-19		59	52	28	1	140
Caught Between	3	3	5	1	2	14
Burn	2		1	2	2	7
Arrests	107	46	68	70	64	355
Total	410	356	410	340	300	1816

