

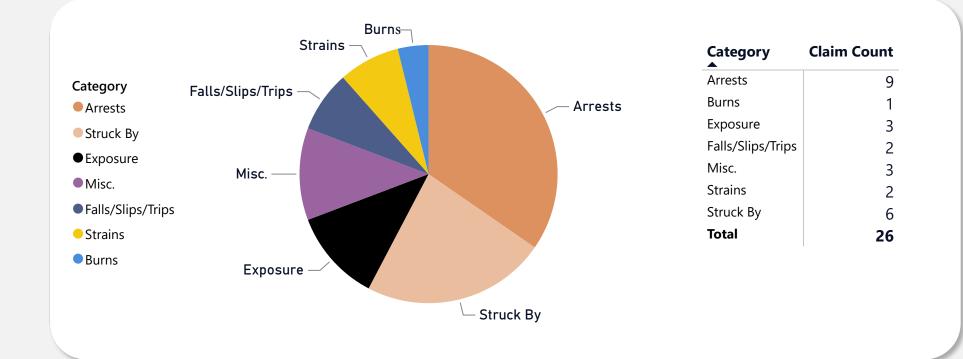
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Law Enforcement Workers' Compensation Claims

Monthly Claims

Cause	CompanyNurseInfo
Arrests	Cut to the right hand with bleeding/Body fluid exposure of blood to the right hand: The employee was in the park to assist other officers with a suspect. While trying to place handcuffs on the suspect, he was cut on the right hand. He also got the suspect's blood on his right hand. The suspect reportedly has AIDS.
Arrests	Cuts with swelling below the left knee: The employee was chasing a suspect on foot when the suspect went into the ditch, cutting his left leg below the knee.
Arrests	Laceration on the left knee, bleeding: The employee stated that he fell to the ground while arresting a suspect, cutting his left knee.
Arrests	Nose abrasion: The supervisor stated that the employee was involved in a physical altercation with a suspect and received a small abrasion to his nose. The suspect also grabbed the employee by the throat.
Arrests	Pain and lacerations to the right knee: The employee was chasing a suspect who would not stop. The employee had to tackle the suspect, landing on his right knee on the pavement.
Arrests	Pain in left arm down to index finger and left wrist/Unable to lift with left hand and hold weight: The employee stated that she was getting a subject in custody from the back of the cruiser when the subject began kicking. She had to hold both of his arms. They rolled on the ground, injuring her left wrist.
Arrests	Pain to the right hand, swollen: The employee states that he responded to a call where a suspect had assaulted another person. The employee states they located the suspect, who ran after being told that a knife was on his person. They chased him and eventually took the suspect down. The employee states that he fell hard to the ground with the suspect, hurting his hand in the tussle.
Arrests	Left knee pain: The employee was involved in a foot pursuit of a suspect. The employee had to take the suspect to the ground. The employee is now having pain in his left knee. The employee is not sure if it is from running or going to the ground.
Arrests	Left shoulder pain: The employee was involved in an altercation with a subject. After the incident, the employee started having pain in his left shoulder.
Burn	Burn and black color marks to his right hand and index finger: The employee stated he was exposed to expired chemical munition while disposing of it. A ride control grenade malfunctioned and ignited in his right hand, causing a burn.
Exposure	Fentanyl exposure, lightheadedness, chest tightness, raised heartbeat, and dry mouth: The employee was counting fentanyl pills that they had seized. He was wearing gloves. One of the pills seemed to be crushed. When they were done counting, the employee began to feel lightheaded, with chest tightness, a raised heartbeat, and a dry mouth.
Exposure	Accelerated heartbeat, disorientation: The supervisor stated that the employee was watching an arrestee, and he found a canister that possibly had drugs in it. When he checked it, he found a bag. The substance got into the air. He asked for help through the radio because his heart was beating very fast, and he was feeling disoriented.
Exposure	No injuries to report: The employee was in the evidence room processing evidence. He started feeling bad and called for help. When help arrived, they gave him a shot of Narcan. He was then transported to the ER. He is currently feeling better.
Falls/Slips/Trips	Cut above the right eye and sore right hand: The employee tripped over a paving stone while walking, falling to the ground.
Falls/Slips/Trips	Pain/Swelling/Abrasions to both hands, more so on his right hand: The employee was in a foot pursuit when he slipped and fell. He caught himself with both hands and landed on his right side.
Misc.	N/A
Misc.	No physical injuries: The employee stated he was arresting a woman when she unintentionally spat on the employee's left eye.
Misc.	S hortness of breath/Hot/Sweating: The employee stated that he was exposed to drugs while searching in a vehicle.
Strains	Pain to the second toe of the left foot, which is black and swollen: The employee reports that while running during training, she started having pain in her left second toe. The employee ran up and down a hill and noticed the bruising the next day.
Strains	Woke up unable to move: The employee was in the gym training when he felt something pull in his back. He went to Urgent Care in Richmond the next day, but it worsened. He was sent to the ER.
Struck By	Cut and soreness to the left elbow: The employee was trying to place a person under arrest when they started fighting. During the fight, they all fell to the ground. The employee hit his left elbow on the asphalt.
Struck By	Abrasions to the both wrists, forearms, and hands/Swelling to the left forearm: The employee was trying to apprehend a suspect. The employee has a police dog. The dog was trying to get the suspect when he bit the employee's hands and arms.
Struck By	Bite mark on the left shoulder and scrapes in the middle of the forehead and nose: The employee stated that he was trying to remove a suspect from a hotel room. The suspect bit the employee on the left shoulder. The employee's partner hit him on the forehead by accident.
Struck By	Left arm, elbow, and shoulder pain: The employee was assisting in the escort of a woman out of the ER when she started to fight and tried to hit the officer. He took her to the ground and handcuffed her, but pulled a muscle in his left arm. He is having pain from the shoulder down.
Struck By	Pain, swelling to right elbow/Numbness to middle, ring, and pinkie, radiating to forearm and hand: The employee was in a fight with a suspect when he hit his elbow on an unknown object.
Struck By	Tenderness in the left foot: The employee was walking back to his vehicle during a traffic stop when the patron began to drive away. The employee walked back to the vehicle to stop her from leaving when she began to drive off, running over the employee's left foot.



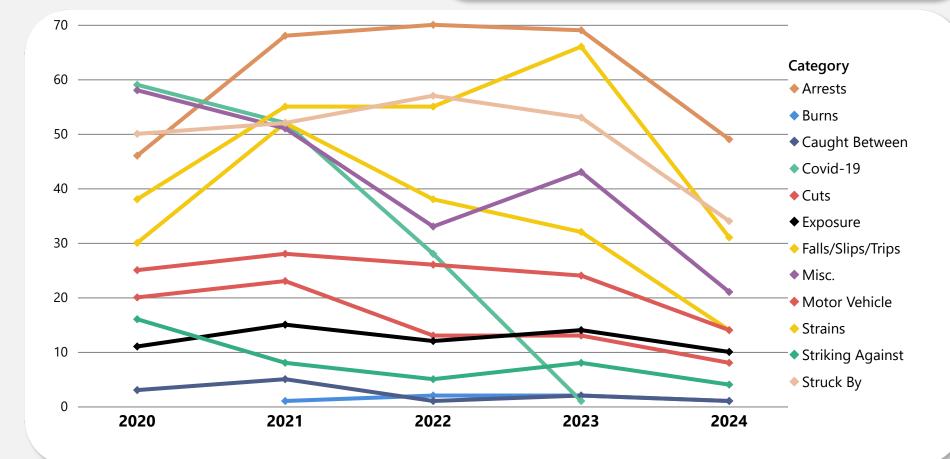
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Five Year Overview



Total	356	410	340	327	187	1620
Arrests	46	68	70	69	49	302
Burns		1	2	2	1	6
Caught Between	3	5	1	2	1	12
Covid-19	59	52	28	1		140
Cuts	20	23	13	13	8	77
Exposure	11	15	12	14	10	62
Falls/Slips/Trips	30	52	38	32	14	166
Misc.	58	51	33	43	21	206
Motor Vehicle	25	28	26	24	14	117
Strains	38	55	55	66	31	245
Striking Against	16	8	5	8	4	41
Struck By	50	52	57	53	34	246

2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 **Total**



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