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Law Enforcement Workers' Compensation Claims

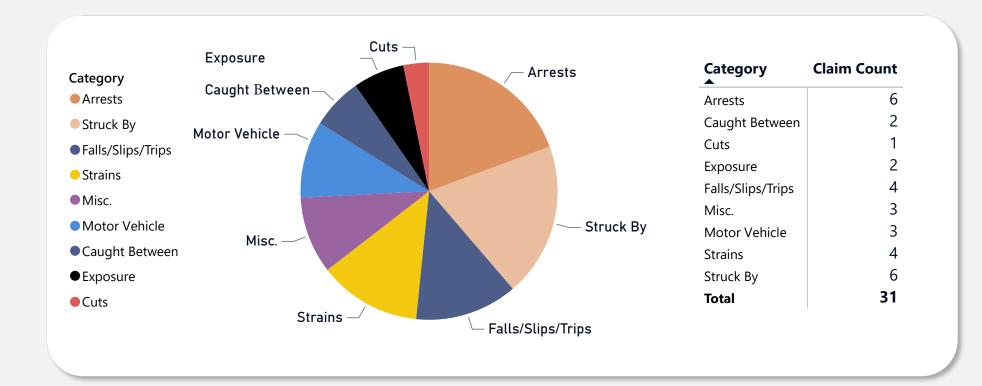
31 Monthly Claims

Cause	CompanyNurseInfo
Arrests	Laceration to the back of the head and hand and knee scrapes : The employee was in pursuit of a suspect who refused to stop. The employee had to physically take the suspect down to get him into custody. The employee injured the back of his head on the pavement, causing a laceration, and scraped his hands and knees.
Arrests	Right thumb pain and swelling/Bruising to the right palm : The employee injured his right thumb while arresting a fugitive. He is not sure how it happened.
Arrests	Punched multiple times in the left side of face, temple, and ear, resulting in the left arm tingling, radiating around the elbow, a cramping sensation, and red marks around the elbow and wrist/Knot on the left side of head with headache: The employee states that he was involved in an altercation with a suspect. They were attempting to make the arrest when the suspect resisted, and they had to take him to the ground. The suspect punched the employee multiple times in the face and injured his arm and elbow.
Arrests	Right thumb pain/bruising : The employee was trying to detain a suspect when he felt a pop in his right thumb.
Arrests	Soreness/swelling to the right hand : The employee was making an arrest. As he had one handcuff on the suspect, the suspect pulled away, injuring the employee's right hand.
Arrests	Right elbow pain, discomfort, and numbness/discomfort while sleeping : The employee was responding to an armed suspect barricaded in a car who would not get out and was non-compliant. Others were called in for backup. The suspect eventually came out, and a fight happened. The employee was wedged between the suspect and a vehicle and had a hard time assisting with the cuffing. He grabbed the suspect's right hand to keep him from getting to the gun. He had to force the suspect's hand back using his right arm, causing strain on the right elbow.
Caught between	Pain and bleeding to the fingers : The supervisor stated that the employee was on a call at a hotel. While trying to gain entry to the hotel room, the door shut on his fingers, which were on the door frame.
Caught between	Swelling in the left hand and wrist/Throbbing pain, a knot, and abrasions in the left wrist : The employee placed his hand on the frame of his car while getting into it during the search of a vehicle. A gust of wind blew his door shut on his left wrist.
Cuts	Puncture : The supervisor stated that the employee was attempting to recover some medication. A needle stuck her right hand below the pinkie finger.
Exposure	Hard to breathe and aspirating : The employee stated that he inhaled smoke while responding to a structure fire
Exposure	Smoke inhalation/coughing/difficulty breathing : The employee was clearing a house after a fire was contained and was exposed to smoke.
Falls/Slips/Trips	Right knee pain : The employee stated that he entered a house while responding to a welfare check. A man was there with a gun, so they backed out, and he fell down the staircase, injuring his right knee.
Falls/Slips/Trips	Pain to the center and left lower back : The employee was assisting a lady whose vehicle had run off the road when he slipped on ice and fell to the ground, landing on his back and hitting the back of his head.
Falls/Slips/Trips	Pain to the right shoulder, elbow, and wrist/Tingling to the right hand: The employee was locking the park gate when he slipped on ice and fell to the ground, landing on his back. During the incident, he hurt his right wrist, elbow, and shoulder.
Falls/Slips/Trips	Slight pain in the left knee/Slight scrape(s) and blood blister to the hands: The employee slipped on ice while walking to her car, falling to the ground, and landing on her left knee and both hands.
Misc.	Busted blood vessel and bleeding to the left nostril : The employee was waking up from sleeping. He thought his nose was running, so he went to the bathroom and realized he was bleeding in an even flow from the left nostril. It was determined in the ER that cold weather caused a blood vessel to burst. On Monday, the 8th, his nose bled slightly. Today, Wednesday the 17th, he was driving from a scene and realized his nose was bleeding heavily again.
Misc.	Fluttering in the chest : The employee was on a call. The employee's Apple watch notified him that he could be in AFIB.
Misc.	No medical complaint: The employee stated that he was standing and passed out for a moment.
Motor Vehicle	Pain in the left knee and lower back : The employee stated that while responding to a report from a restaurant, he struck a light pole with his vehicle when he pulled away from the location.
Motor Vehicle	Pain to the nose due to hitting the steering wheel with his face: The employee stated he was driving westbound on Highway 196. Another vehicle came into his lane, so he swerved to miss the vehicle and wrecked his police car into a ditch.
Motor Vehicle	The supervisor stated that the employee was driving on the road when another vehicle turned in front of him, failing to yield, colliding with the employee's front driver's side.
Strains	Extreme pain and numbness in the right shoulder : The employee stated they were practicing defensive tactics when she felt her right shoulder pop.
Strains	Left knee tenderness and sharp pain with reduced movement : The employee stated that she was running on a treadmill for a physical test when she tweaked her left knee.
Strains	Pain, and pinching feeling in the lower back/Numbness in the right leg: The employee stated that he was participating in a 3-day class. On the second day, he was participating in an extraction exercise that involved a lot of lifting dead weight. The following day, the employee stated that he felt a pull in his lower back.
Strains	Sharp lower back pain : The employee stated that she was doing squats when she felt a sharp pain in her lower back.
Struck By	Bruising and pain in the left hand when he grips something : The employee was responding to a call of a distraught teenager with a mental health breakdown. He went to grab her wrist, and the teenager bit the top of his left hand. The bite broke the skin but did not bleed. He is having some bruising and pain when he grips something.
Struck By	Cut to the right pinkie finger : The employee was going to unlock his vehicle. As he put his hand into his pocket, he cut his right pinkie finger on his pocket knife.
Struck By	Dog bite to the left arm : The employee was arresting a suspect. The suspect's dog bit the employee multiple times.
Struck By	Sharp pain in the left chest caused by some left arm movements/Sharp pain when bending or breathing: The employee was practicing with his supervisor on top of him. The supervisor did the training roll, putting his entire weight on the employee.
Struck By	Swelling, bruising, and knot on the inside of the foot arch/No broken skin : The employee stated that he was wearing a protective bite suit for K-9 training when a K-9 bit his left foot.
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Tenderness/Scrapes to the left shin: The employee was conducting the traffic stop. As soon as he got to

the passenger side door, the vehicle took off, hitting his left shin.

Struck By



Five Year Overview



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

Category ▼	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Total
Struck By	50	52	57	53	40	252
Striking Against	16	8	5	8	4	41
Strains	38	55	55	66	35	249
Motor Vehicle	25	28	26	24	17	120
Misc.	58	51	33	43	24	209
Falls/Slips/Trips	30	52	38	32	19	171
Exposure	11	15	12	14	13	65
Cuts	20	23	13	13	9	78
Covid-19	59	52	28	1		140
Caught Between	3	5	1	2	3	14
Burn		1	2	2	1	6
Arrests	46	68	70	69	55	308
Total	356	410	340	327	220	1653

