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Dear Governor Henry, Chief Justice Edmondson, President Pro Tempore Coffee, Speaker Bengé and Legislators:

I have the privilege of submitting to you the 2009 Annual Report of the Oklahoma Workers' Compensation Court, prepared in accordance with the provisions and requirements of Title 85 O.S., Section 85. The Court is relying on its Internet website and e-mail capabilities to disseminate this report in a cost-effective manner. Print copies of the Annual Report have been deposited with the Oklahoma Publications Clearinghouse.

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Introduction

This report is prepared annually by the Oklahoma Workers' Compensation Court in accordance with the provisions and requirements of Title 85 O.S., Section 85. It provides injury statistics and benefit payment, workload and expenditure data.

The information in this report on injuries, illnesses and deaths is derived from documents filed in 2009 by the employer, worker or the dependents of a deceased worker. Injury characteristics are from the first report of injury filed by the employer or claimant, and are not necessarily based on a medical diagnosis. The employer's first report of injury is used when the matter before the Court is a compromise settlement (Form 1X) or provider's claim for compensation (2/19 claim), and there is no first report of injury filed by the worker or the dependents of a deceased worker.

Information about the development and use of the North American Classification System (NAICS) can be found at the web site of the US Census Bureau, <http://www.census.gov/epcd/www/naics.html>.

General Information

History

The Oklahoma Legislature enacted the state's first law governing workers' compensation more than nine decades ago in 1915. The law provides a substitute remedy to an employee for accidental injuries received during covered employment without the burden of proving negligence. The law is intended to provide injured workers with compensation for disability and health and rehabilitation benefits as a result of a work-related injury, regardless of who was at fault. In exchange for liability without fault, employers are provided with exclusive remedy protection. Exclusive remedy protects employers from liability to injured workers under laws other than the Workers' Compensation Act, Title 85, Oklahoma Statutes. The law applies to almost all types of employment and to both accidental injury and occupational illness.

Until 1959, the responsibility for administering the workers' compensation law resided with the State Industrial Commission. In 1959, the Oklahoma Legislature created and transferred jurisdiction over workers' compensation to the State Industrial Court. In 1978, the five-judge State Industrial Court was replaced by a seven-judge Workers' Compensation Court. The composition of the Court was expanded to eight judges in 1981, to nine in 1985 and to ten in 1994. In 2010, legislation was enacted providing for a reduction in the number of judges to eight by attrition resulting from the first two judicial vacancies occurring on or after November 1, 2010. Like its 1959 predecessor, the Court is a court of record responsible for determining claims for compensation, the liability of employers and insurers, and any rights asserted under the workers' compensation laws.

Mission

The mission of the Workers' Compensation Court is to provide fair and timely procedures for the informal and formal resolution of disputes and identification of issues involving work-related injuries. To this end the Court dedicates itself to carry out this responsibility and to serve the public promptly, courteously and impartially.

Organization

The Court is composed of ten judges who are appointed by the Governor from a list of nominees submitted by a constitutionally created Judicial Nominating Commission. The list includes the names of three persons, in addition to that of the incumbent judge, if any. Judges serve staggered six-year terms and may be reappointed for successive six-year terms. The composition of the Court, appointment process and judicial terms were affected by legislation enacted in 2010.

Every two years one of the judges is selected by the Governor as the presiding judge. The presiding judge is charged with overall responsibility for the functioning of the Court. All judges rotate between the Oklahoma City and Tulsa Court locations for dockets and may hear

cases in other locations as provided by law. Awards of the Court are final and conclusive unless appealed to a panel of three Workers' Compensation Court judges unrelated to the case, or directly to the Supreme Court. An order of the three-judge panel may be appealed to the Supreme Court.

The chief administrative officer for the Court is an Administrator who, until 2005, was appointed by the presiding judge from a list submitted by a five-member selection committee. Thereafter, a vacancy in the position is filled by appointment of the Governor for a six-year term. The Administrator supervises all offices and departments of the Court and staff, including administrative staff and support personnel. Specific functions of offices and departments of the Court are identified below.

The ***Counselor Department*** is the Court's primary public information unit. It supports a toll-free information line, prepares court publications, develops educational workshops, helps maintain the Court's web site, and processes applications to serve as a mediator for the Court's mediation system.

The ***Insurance Department*** maintains a workers' compensation proof of insurance database for the state, and with the Administrator's supervision, regulates employers which self-insure either as an individual self-insurer or as part of an approved group association. This department also regulates third party administrators. Self-insurance activities include reviewing applications for self-insurance and monitoring the financial status and claims records of self-insured employers.

The ***Office of the Court Clerk*** receives court filings, certifies documents, prepares and transmits records on appeal, accepts appeal bonds, serves as the Court's records custodian, and manages the Court's records retention schedule.

The ***Form 3 Processing Department*** processes claims for compensation and orders entered into by mutual agreement of the parties. Work includes creating court files, data entry, and mailing information to the parties.

The ***Docket Office*** docket cases, schedules hearings and motions, notifies parties of hearing dates, and manages specialized dockets designed to resolve certain disputes without the need for trial.

The ***Order Processing Department*** prepares orders at the direction of the judges and processes them for mailing to the parties.

The ***Records Department*** maintains court files, processes the mail, and responds to requests for records and information.

The ***Data Processing/Management Information Services Department*** develops and maintains the Court's client/server system, develops computer programs and applications, coordinates information technology activities with vendors and other state agencies, and assists other court departments in meeting their goals through the use of technology.

In addition to departmental employees, the Court employs staff attorneys, court reporters, administrative personnel and support staff. Staff attorneys assist the judges, monitor legislation for potential impact on the workers' compensation system, provide support services to various workers' compensation advisory bodies, and handle claims of employees of bankrupt self-insured employers. Court reporters record and transcribe proceedings as necessary. Administrative staff are responsible for the business, financial and personnel functions of the Court. Support staff include receptionists and judicial secretaries who provide clerical assistance to the judges and other court employees.

In 2009, judicial secretaries and support staff processed 198 physician applications for participation in the independent medical examiner system, processed 16 applications for participation in the case manager system, and prepared a total of 1,817 orders appointing independent medical examiners, medical case managers, and vocational rehabilitation experts as directed by the Court.

Activities in 2009

Educational Conference

The Court, in cooperation with the Meridian Technology Center and the Workers' Compensation Section of the Oklahoma Bar Association, held its 2009 Workers' Compensation Educational Conference in Stillwater, Oklahoma on September 10 and 11, 2009. The program highlighted legislative and case law developments and workers' compensation trends. Approximately 420 individuals from the medical, legal, insurance, government, business and labor sectors attended the conference.

Insurance

Workers' compensation insurance is mandatory in Oklahoma except as otherwise provided by law. The Court instituted a Workers' Compensation Insurance Coverage Verification System on its website in May 2009 to help the public verify insurance coverage information on employers that have purchased a workers' compensation insurance policy. This information comes from policy information reported to the National Conference on Compensation Insurance (NCCI). Searches may be conducted by going to http://www.owcc.state.ok.us/ncci_coverage.htm. During calendar year 2009, 4,862 persons connected to the link and performed 19,590 coverage searches.

Medical

The Physician Advisory Committee is an advisory body to the Workers' Compensation Court. In 2009, the Committee recommended Guidelines for the Treatment of the Cervical Spine and revisions to the Guidelines for Treatment of the Lumbar Spine. The Court Administrator approved both guidelines as provided by law, effective August 15, 2009. The objective of the treatment guidelines is to provide standards for prompt, reasonable and appropriate treatment

for workplace injuries and to expedite optimum recovery and return to work, while containing medical costs in the workers' compensation system. The guidelines are available on the Court's website at <http://www.owcc.state.ok.us/guidelines.htm>.

A new workers' compensation medical and hospital fee schedule was adopted by the Court Administrator in December 2009 and became effective January 1, 2010. The schedule sets maximum dollar limits in amounts that health care providers can be reimbursed for specified services. It is designed to establish a reasonable and equitable value for a service and limit reimbursement to that level to prevent inflated pricing for treatment of injured workers.

Multiple Injury Trust Fund Assessment

Workers' compensation payors were notified by the Court Administrator of the new Multiple Injury Trust Fund assessment rate effective July 1, 2009. The 2.6% rate was calculated using a statutory formula. The previous rate was 2.5%. Notice of the rate increase was mailed to payors before the May 1 deadline and posted online on the "What's New" page of the Court's web site. Assessment collections are used for expenses of the MITF and for various state programs related to worker safety and workers' compensation fraud prosecution. The Fund is liable for certain combined disabilities claims. It was created by law to encourage employers to hire workers who suffered previous impairments.

In addition to the specific activities listed above for calendar year 2009, the Court continues to perform other duties on a regular basis as noted above in the "Organization" section. The activities of the Court in CY 2009 are described in greater detail in the following pages of this Annual Report, together with basic statistics regarding filings made in CY 2009.

Profiles of the Judges

Judges serving on the Court in 2009 were: The Honorable Kent Eldridge, The Honorable Michael J. Harkey, The Honorable Gene Prigmore, The Honorable Tom Leonard, The Honorable Cherri Farrar, The Honorable Mary A. Black, The Honorable John Michael McCormick, The Honorable Bob Lake Grove, The Honorable William R. Foster, Jr., and The Honorable Eric W. Quandt.

Each Judge hears matters involving workers' compensation disputes, records case dispositions and issues final orders based upon the evidence presented. Judges also approve settlements negotiated between the parties; conduct prehearing conferences and judicial settlement conferences; appoint Independent Medical Examiners (IMEs), medical case managers, vocational rehabilitation evaluators and mediators; oversee the IME, case manager, and court mediation systems; review medical progress reports; participate weekly on three-judge appeal panels; and participate in educational seminars, including periodic conferences sponsored by the Court.

During 2009, 25,716 cases were scheduled for trial, and 40,469 prehearing conferences were docketed. In addition, 3,226 cases involving medical treatment and/or temporary disability were set on temporary issue dockets to promote informal resolution before trial or determine the status of the case for scheduling purposes. During this period, 1,116 cases were set before the court en banc. Judges issued 27,885 orders and approved 9,057 settlements.

Judges

The Honorable Kent Eldridge

Judge Eldridge earned his B.A. in Political Science from the University of Oklahoma. Following graduation from the University of Oklahoma School of Law (1976) he served as a Public Defender. He then became a solo practitioner in 1981 and maintained a trial practice of criminal and civil litigation in state and Federal courts and administrative tribunals, including many jury and non-jury trials.

Professional affiliations include the Oklahoma Bar Association, Oklahoma County Bar Association, and Ruth Bader Ginsburg Inn of Court (Master). Judge Eldridge has spoken at many law seminars, and while in private practice served as an expert witness on numerous occasions.

Judge Eldridge is an active member of St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral and is serving on the Vestry. He also serves on the Board of the Oakerhater Episcopal Center home to the Whirlwind Mission in Watonga, Oklahoma. Judge Eldridge served as an Assistant Scoutmaster, Westminster Presbyterian Church Troop 4, Oklahoma City, 1996-2005. His marriage to Lea Crawford Eldridge and his children Julie, Jim and Jackson are his greatest accomplishments.

Governor Brad Henry appointed Judge Eldridge to the Workers' Compensation Court in July 2006. In May 2009, Governor Brad Henry appointed Judge Eldridge as Presiding Judge of the Workers' Compensation Court, effective May 22, 2009.

The Honorable Michael J. Harkey

Judge Harkey graduated from The University of Oklahoma in 1973 and received his Juris Doctorate from the Oklahoma City University School of Law in 1976.

He is a member of the Oklahoma State and County Bar Associations. Prior to his appointment to the Workers' Compensation Court, Judge Harkey was in the private practice of law.

The Honorable Gene Prigmore

Judge Prigmore was born in Freedom, Oklahoma, attended public school in Alva, and in 1966, graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from Northwestern State College in Alva. Judge Prigmore then served two years in the U.S. Army, 24th Infantry Division, 1966-68. After completing his military service he spent the next ten years teaching, counseling and coaching in various Kansas and Oklahoma public school systems including Head Football and Track Coach at Capitol Hill High School. He earned a Masters Degree in Counseling from Central State University in 1973. In 1978 he began his legal education and received his Juris Doctorate from the University of Oklahoma College of Law in 1980.

Judge Prigmore served on the Oklahoma City Board of Education from 1986 to 1989. He served as an Adjunct Professor in the Paralegal Program at Rose State College in 1989 - 1990. Judge Prigmore has been a member of the Oklahoma Bar Association since 1980 and the Oklahoma County Bar Association since 2001.

Judge Prigmore was in private practice with an emphasis in sports and workers' compensation law until 1992, when he became General Counsel for the Oklahoma Special Indemnity Fund (now known as the Multiple Injury Trust Fund).

In November 1998, Judge Prigmore was appointed to the Oklahoma Workers' Compensation Court by Governor Frank Keating to complete an unexpired term. In July 2000, he was reappointed by Governor Frank Keating for a six-year term. In December 2004, Governor Brad Henry appointed Judge Prigmore for a two-year term as Presiding Judge of the Workers' Compensation Court, effective January 1, 2005. In July 2006, Judge Prigmore was appointed by Governor Brad Henry for an additional six-year term.

The Honorable Cherri Farrar

Cherri Farrar was appointed as a judge of the Workers' Compensation Court for a six-year term in July 2000. In July 2006, Judge Farrar was reappointed for another six-year term, by the Honorable Governor Brad Henry. Prior to her appointment to the Court, Judge Farrar was in private practice.

Judge Farrar received her Juris Doctorate from the University of Oklahoma, College of Law in 1986. She is the recipient of certifications from the National Institute of Trial Advocacy and the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers for studies in advanced trial techniques. She received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from Central State University in 1982.

Judge Farrar is a Master of the Bench of the William J. Holloway, Jr., American Inn of Court, and is a member of the Oklahoma Bar Association and Oklahoma County Bar Association.

The Honorable Tom Leonard

Judge Leonard received a Bachelor degree in mathematics and computer science from Oklahoma State University in 1970. He received his Juris Doctorate from the University of Oklahoma in 1972.

He served six years as mayor of Ponca City, Oklahoma. In 2001 he was selected as the Mayor of the Year by the Oklahoma Municipal League. Prior to his appointment by Governor Brad Henry to the Workers' Compensation Court, Judge Leonard was in private practice.

Judge Leonard is the site administrator of a collection of statutes, cases and materials entitled, *Oklahoma Workers' Compensation*, www.workerscompensationok.com. It is a useful resource for attorneys, adjusters and medical providers.

He also authors a weblog of current issues, cases and his observations on workers' compensation, *Judge Tom Talks*, www.judgetom.blogspot.com.

The Honorable Mary A. Black

Judge Black received a Bachelor of Science from the University of Oklahoma in 1977. She received her Juris Doctorate from Oklahoma City University in 1981. Judge Black has attended the National Judicial College, and attended Harvard University.

She is a member of the Oklahoma Bar Association, Oklahoma Indian Bar Association, Pottawatomie County Bar Association and Lawyer-Pilot Bar Association. She served two terms on the Board of Trustees for the Oklahoma Bar Association, and as a board member for Legal Aid of Western Oklahoma. Additionally, she has served as chair of the OBA Indian Law Section. In conjunction with Virginia Henson, Judge Black wrote the *Deprived Juvenile Law Benchbook*.

Immediately prior to her appointment to the Workers' Compensation Court, Judge Black was the Special District Judge for the 23rd Judicial District sitting in Pottawatomie County. Prior to her position as a Special District Judge she served on the Workers' Compensation Court from 1994-1996, and was in private practice in Shawnee, Oklahoma during the intervening years between judicial appointments. She has served as a tribal judge for many tribes, including the Absentee Shawnee Tribe and Sac & Fox Nation.

In July 2004, Judge Black was appointed by Governor Brad Henry to serve a six-year term on the Workers' Compensation Court. In February 2007, Governor Brad Henry appointed Judge Black for a two-year term as Presiding Judge of the Workers' Compensation Court, effective February 5, 2007. She served as Presiding Judge through May 21, 2009.

The Honorable John Michael McCormick

John McCormick was born in Oklahoma City in 1947. He attended old Central High School in downtown Oklahoma City and graduated in 1966. Judge McCormick served 3 years active military duty in the U. S. Army from February 1967 to February 1970; he served one tour of duty in Vietnam from August 1967 to September 1968, and was later a member of the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General Corps. Judge McCormick received his Bachelor of Arts from the University of Oklahoma in 1974, and his Juris Doctorate from Oklahoma City University Law School in 1978.

Judge McCormick served the State of Oklahoma as an Assistant Attorney General under General W.A. Drew Edmondson from 1997 until his appointment to the bench in 2006. His prior law practice includes service as Deputy General Counsel of the Oklahoma City Public Schools, and Deputy General Counsel for the Department of Human Services.

Judge McCormick also has public service as an elected official. In 1985 he was elected to a four-year term to the Metro Tech School Board, Vocational District 22, Seat 2. Before joining the Workers' Compensation Court, Judge McCormick served as adjunct professor for 18 years at Rose State College and Oklahoma City Community College.

The Honorable Bob Lake Grove

Born in Poteau, Oklahoma in the far eastern segment of our state, Bob Lake Grove was raised and educated 9 miles therefrom in Panama, Oklahoma. His father, Lake Grove, was a businessman and his mother, Helen, a classroom teacher for over 40 years.

After graduation from high school, he attended the University of Oklahoma, graduating with a BA, and the University of Oklahoma School of Law, graduating with a JD. He was active in student government and served both in the Student Senate and as Chairman of the University Judicial Board.

In his first position as an attorney, he handled almost exclusively workers' compensation litigation. Following, he served as Assistant District Attorney of Oklahoma County for nearly five years as a felony trial prosecutor. During this time he also instructed at the Oklahoma City Police Academy and acted as a spokesman for the District Attorney for the release of prosecution information.

Following his tenure as a prosecutor, he was engaged exclusively in litigation in the fields of criminal defense, matrimonial law, child custody, business litigation, probate contests and workers' compensation. His representation included appearances and trials in federal, state and municipal courts throughout the state as well as arguments before the Supreme Court and Court of Criminal Appeals in Oklahoma. In addition, he has spoken at many law seminars and for various civic groups, and while in private practice, made public appearances and participated in television productions and radio shows.

In 2007, he accepted a position of trial counsel for CompSource Oklahoma. Thereafter, Governor Brad Henry appointed him to a six-year term to the Worker's Compensation Court commencing in 2008.

The Honorable William R. Foster, Jr.

Judge Foster graduated from Arkansas State University in 1989 with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science. In 1992 Judge Foster received his Juris Doctorate from the University of Arkansas. Upon graduation from law school Judge Foster entered private practice in Nashville, Tennessee with the law office of Lionel R. Barrett.

Judge Foster is currently admitted to practice law in Oklahoma, Tennessee and Pennsylvania (currently inactive). From 1993 to 1999 he worked as an attorney for the Oklahoma Indigent Defense System. Following this, and prior to his appointment as a judge to the Workers' Compensation Court, Judge Foster clerked for the Honorable Charles S. Chapel, former judge at the Court of Criminal Appeals.

The Honorable Judge Eric W. Quandt

Judge Quandt received his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Wisconsin, Madison in 1985. In 1988 he received his Juris Doctorate from the University of Tulsa College of Law.

He is a member of the Oklahoma Bar Association and the Tulsa County Bar Association. Prior to his appointment to the Court, he was in private practice for 20 years, 17 years as a sole practitioner.

In July 2008, Judge Quandt was appointed to the Workers' Compensation Court by Governor Brad Henry.

Section I - Overview

Table 1
Rate of Claims Filed Per 100 Employed: 1989 - 2009

Year	Employer's First Notice of Injury (Form 2) Filings ¹	Claimant Filings ²	State Employment Levels ³	Rate of Claims Filed Per 100 Workers ⁴
1989	97,912	20,311	1,163,800	1.75
1990	122,988	23,530	1,195,922	1.97
1991	94,195	24,654	1,211,000	2.04
1992	84,259	24,748	1,221,700	2.03
1993	84,757	25,863	1,199,600	2.15
1994	92,594	27,959	1,234,400	2.26
1995	100,363	25,817	1,272,500	2.03
1996	92,937	24,167	1,309,700	1.84
1997	88,892	21,959	1,347,800	1.63
1998	84,756	20,832	1,396,300	1.49
1999	83,289	19,999	1,416,500	1.41
2000	82,920	19,086	1,437,000	1.33
2001	75,462	19,553	1,463,200	1.34
2002	67,190	18,474	1,434,905	1.28
2003	61,452	17,390	1,405,900	1.24
2004	58,065	16,933	1,424,300	1.19
2005	55,844	15,670	1,464,500	1.07
2006	54,237	14,853	1,507,100	0.99
2007	51,197	14,888	1,521,100	0.97
2008	52,477	15,364	1,550,300	0.99
2009	51,715	15,764	1,492,100	1.06

¹ Reflects the number of Form 2 (Employer's First Notice of Injury) filings made by an employer when there is a work-related injury which results in the loss of time beyond the shift or which requires medical attention away from the work site, fatal or otherwise, received by the employer's employees. Form 2s filed with the Court are confidential and not subject to public disclosure except as authorized by law.

² Beginning in 2005, reflects claims for compensation filed by a worker (Form 3, 3A, 3B). Death filings are included in the count. Prior to 2005, claimant filings also included claims for compensation filed by a medical or rehabilitation provider (2/19 claims) when there is a notice of injury filed by the employer (Form 2) but no claim for compensation filed by the worker (Form 3, 3A, 3B). Separate counting of 2/19 claims began in 1990. 2/19 claims data for 1990 through 2009 follows: 1990=1; 1991=2; 1992=1; 1993=12; 1994=22; 1995=45; 1996=96; 1997=51; 1998=27; 1999=38; 2000=33; 2001=88; 2002=151; 2003=172; 2004=196; 2005=61; 2006=58; 2007=79; 2008=56 and 2009=73.

³ State Employment Data is provided by the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission, Labor Market Information Unit, reporting Statewide Non-farm Payroll. Federal Government employees have been excluded since 1993.

⁴ Represents the number of injuries and illnesses per 100 workers, calculated as $(C/EL \times 100)$ where C = number of injuries and illnesses reflected by claimant filings and EL = state employment level.

Table 2
Filings Compared to Employment by County of Injury
2009

County	Average Annual Employment ¹	Percent of Employment	All Filings		Percent of Employment Making Filing ³	Number of Death Filings ⁴
			Count ²	Percent		
Adair	10,348	0.62%	28	0.18%	0.27%	0
Alfalfa	2,423	0.15%	9	0.06%	0.37%	0
Atoka	5,773	0.35%	37	0.23%	0.64%	2
Beaver	3,245	0.20%	15	0.09%	0.46%	0
Beckham	11,581	0.70%	111	0.70%	0.96%	2
Blaine	4,748	0.29%	41	0.26%	0.86%	2
Bryan	19,448	1.17%	134	0.85%	0.69%	1
Caddo	12,091	0.73%	67	0.42%	0.55%	1
Canadian	49,938	3.01%	193	1.22%	0.39%	4
Carter	25,579	1.54%	363	2.29%	1.42%	2
Cherokee	23,294	1.40%	99	0.63%	0.42%	0
Choctaw	6,743	0.41%	26	0.16%	0.39%	0
Cimarron	1,245	0.08%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0
Cleveland	114,326	6.89%	538	3.40%	0.47%	0
Coal	2,419	0.15%	30	0.19%	1.24%	0
Comanche	45,369	2.73%	474	2.99%	1.04%	1
Cotton	3,256	0.20%	11	0.07%	0.34%	1
Craig	7,168	0.43%	74	0.47%	1.03%	1
Creek	29,103	1.75%	193	1.22%	0.66%	3
Custer	14,753	0.89%	103	0.65%	0.70%	1
Delaware	18,315	1.10%	103	0.65%	0.56%	0
Dewey	2,648	0.16%	17	0.11%	0.64%	2
Ellis	2,390	0.14%	22	0.14%	0.92%	1
Garfield	30,540	1.84%	304	1.92%	1.00%	1
Garvin	14,432	0.87%	166	1.05%	1.15%	0
Grady	21,820	1.31%	129	0.81%	0.59%	2
Grant	2,593	0.16%	15	0.09%	0.58%	1

Table 2 (continued)

County	Average Annual Employment ¹	Percent of Employment	All Filings		Percent of Employment Making Filing ³	Number of Death Filings ⁴
			Count ²	Percent		
Greer	1,941	0.12%	18	0.11%	0.93%	0
Harmon	1,309	0.08%	8	0.05%	0.61%	1
Harper	2,005	0.12%	10	0.06%	0.50%	0
Haskell	5,751	0.35%	26	0.16%	0.45%	1
Hughes	5,231	0.32%	51	0.32%	0.97%	2
Jackson	11,685	0.70%	77	0.49%	0.66%	0
Jefferson	2,316	0.14%	7	0.04%	0.30%	0
Johnston	4,828	0.29%	28	0.18%	0.58%	0
Kay	22,078	1.33%	306	1.93%	1.39%	0
Kingfisher	7,485	0.45%	54	0.34%	0.72%	2
Kiowa	3,893	0.23%	21	0.13%	0.54%	0
Latimer	4,087	0.25%	40	0.25%	0.98%	1
LeFlore	18,993	1.14%	68	0.43%	0.36%	2
Lincoln	13,188	0.79%	86	0.54%	0.65%	2
Logan	16,975	1.02%	85	0.54%	0.50%	0
Love	5,092	0.31%	25	0.16%	0.49%	0
McClain	14,310	0.86%	80	0.51%	0.56%	0
McCurtain	13,268	0.80%	275	1.74%	2.07%	0
McIntosh	8,252	0.50%	48	0.30%	0.58%	0
Major	4,153	0.25%	45	0.28%	1.08%	1
Marshall	5,924	0.36%	55	0.35%	0.93%	0
Mayer	16,878	1.02%	155	0.98%	0.92%	0
Murray	8,827	0.53%	64	0.40%	0.73%	1
Muskogee	28,930	1.74%	210	1.33%	0.73%	1
Noble	5,428	0.33%	55	0.35%	1.01%	0
Nowata	4,756	0.29%	15	0.09%	0.32%	0
Okfuskee	4,433	0.27%	35	0.22%	0.79%	1
Oklahoma	309,163	18.63%	3,590	22.67%	1.16%	14
Okmulgee	14,722	0.89%	136	0.86%	0.92%	0

Table 2 (continued)

County	Average Annual Employment ¹	Percent of Employment	All Filings		Percent of Employment Making Filing ³	Number of Death Filings ⁴
			Count ²	Percent		
Osage	18,753	1.13%	98	0.62%	0.52%	0
Ottawa	17,533	1.06%	90	0.57%	0.51%	1
Pawnee	6,787	0.41%	41	0.26%	0.60%	1
Payne	33,486	2.02%	252	1.59%	0.75%	0
Pittsburg	22,284	1.34%	176	1.11%	0.79%	1
Pontotoc	19,784	1.19%	156	0.98%	0.79%	0
Pottawatomie	31,876	1.92%	299	1.89%	0.94%	1
Pushmataha	5,108	0.31%	20	0.13%	0.39%	0
Roger Mills	1,870	0.11%	22	0.14%	1.18%	0
Rogers	37,811	2.28%	232	1.46%	0.61%	2
Seminole	10,268	0.62%	107	0.68%	1.04%	3
Sequoyah	15,995	0.96%	64	0.40%	0.40%	0
Stephens	20,671	1.25%	180	1.14%	0.87%	0
Texas	7,206	0.43%	98	0.62%	1.36%	3
Tillman	3,337	0.20%	28	0.18%	0.84%	0
Tulsa	275,713	16.61%	3,180	20.08%	1.15%	10
Wagoner	31,223	1.88%	95	0.60%	0.30%	0
Washington	26,933	1.62%	165	1.04%	0.61%	2
Washita	6,037	0.36%	27	0.17%	0.45%	0
Woods	4,373	0.26%	40	0.25%	0.91%	0
Woodward	11,108	0.67%	110	0.69%	0.99%	1
Out of State ⁵			450	2.84%		8
Other ⁶			933	5.89%		4
TOTALS⁷	1,659,641	100%	15,838	100%		94

¹ Source: Oklahoma Employment Security Commission Economic Research and Analysis Division, Labor Force Data. Includes agricultural and federal employment.

² Death filings are included in the count of all filings.

³ Represents the percentage of filings made per county of injury, calculated as C/EL where C = count of all filings for the county and EL = county employment level.

⁴ Subset of all filings.

⁵ “Out of state” includes injuries, illnesses and deaths occurring out of state or overseas.

⁶ “Other” includes place unknown and missing data.

⁷ Percentage totals may differ due to rounding.

Table 3
Filings by Month of Accident
2009

Month	All Filings¹	% of Filings	Death Filings
January	1,492	9.4%	10
February	1,152	7.3%	9
March	1,686	10.6%	8
April	1,326	8.4%	7
May	1,271	8.0%	6
June	1,346	8.5%	15
July	1,313	8.3%	4
August	1,316	8.3%	14
September	1,252	7.9%	5
October	1,335	8.4%	4
November	1,128	7.1%	5
December	1,221	7.7%	7
TOTALS²	15,838	100%	94

¹ Death filings are included in the count of all filings.

² Percentage totals may differ due to rounding.

Table 4
Filings by Day of Week of Accident
2009

Day of Week	All Filings¹	% of Filings	Death Filings
Monday	2,852	18.0%	21
Tuesday	2,608	16.5%	15
Wednesday	2,697	17.0%	9
Thursday	2,738	17.3%	17
Friday	2,544	16.1%	12
Saturday	1,362	8.6%	9
Sunday	1,037	6.5%	11
TOTALS²	15,838	100%	94

¹ Death filings are included in the count of all filings.

² Percentage totals may differ due to rounding.

Table 5
Filings by Average Weekly Wage of Injured Worker
2009

Amount of Weekly Wages	All Filings ¹	Percent	Death Filings
Under \$150	118	0.7%	1
\$150 - \$199	125	0.8%	1
\$200 - \$249	261	1.6%	1
\$250 - \$299	475	3.0%	3
\$300 - \$349	867	5.5%	0
\$350 - \$399	823	5.2%	1
\$400 - \$449	1,148	7.2%	2
\$450 - \$499	817	5.2%	4
\$500 - \$549	936	6.0%	8
\$550 - \$599	738	4.7%	4
\$600 - \$649	847	5.3%	1
\$650 - \$699	492	3.1%	3
\$700 - \$749	590	3.7%	2
\$750 - \$799	490	3.1%	6
\$800 - \$849	472	3.0%	2
\$850 - \$899	286	1.8%	0
\$900 - \$949	319	2.0%	1
\$950 - \$999	216	1.4%	0
\$1,000 - \$1,999	1,361	8.6%	16
\$2,000 - \$2,999	65	0.4%	3
\$3,000 - \$3,999	7	0.0%	0
\$4,000 - \$4,999	3	0.0%	0
\$5,000 or more	4	0.0%	0
Unknown	4,378	28.0%	35
TOTALS²	15,838	100 %	94

¹ Death filings are included in the count of all filings.

² Percentage totals may differ due to rounding.

Section II - Filings by Part of Body Injured

Table 6
Distribution of Filings by Part of Body Injured
2009

Body Part	Count¹	Percent	Death Filings
Abdomen	105	0.66%	0
Ankle(s)	296	1.87%	1
Arm(s)	691	4.36%	0
Back	3,305	20.87%	8
Body Systems	19	0.11%	3
Brain	14	0.09%	4
Chest	103	0.65%	5
Circulatory System	62	0.39%	11
Digestive System	7	0.04%	0
Ear, inner	286	1.81%	0
Ear, outer	6	0.04%	0
Ear, unspecified	4	0.03%	0
Elbow(s)	218	1.38%	0
Excretory System	7	0.04%	1
Eye(s)	115	0.73%	0
Face	100	0.63%	0
Feet	650	4.10%	1
Finger(s)	703	4.44%	0
Forearm	27	0.17%	0
Hand(s)	1,778	11.23%	0
Head	510	3.22%	14
Hip(s)	266	1.68%	0
Jaw	11	0.07%	0
Knee(s)	1,714	10.82%	1
Leg(s)	660	4.17%	1
Lower Body	9	0.06%	0
Mouth	32	0.20%	0
Multiple Parts	47	0.30%	25
Muscular/Skeletal System	1	0.01%	0
Neck	1,132	7.15%	4
Nervous System	32	0.20%	3
Nose	33	0.21%	0
Other Systems	0	0.00%	0
Respiratory System	253	1.60%	8
Scalp	1	0.01%	0
Shoulder(s)	2,160	13.64%	1
Side	13	0.08%	0
Skull	2	0.01%	0
Thigh(s)	12	0.08%	0
Toe(s)	29	0.18%	0
Trunk	4	0.03%	0
Upper Extremities	8	0.05%	0
Wrist(s)	403	2.54%	0
Nonclassifiable	0	0.00%	0
Unspecified	10	0.06%	3
TOTALS²	15,838	100%	94

¹ Death filings are included in the count of all filings.

² Percentage totals may differ due to rounding.

Section III - Filings by Cause of Injury

Table 7
Rank-Order Distribution of Filings by Nature of Injury and Gender
2009

Injury Cause	All Filings ¹		Gender ²		Female	
	Count	Percent ³	Count	Percent ⁴	Count	Percent ⁵
Fall, Slip Or Trip Injury	3,872	24.4%	2,227	21.5%	1,645	30.0%
Repetitive Motion	2,655	16.8%	1,535	14.8%	1,120	20.4%
Strain Or Injury By	1,816	11.5%	1,270	12.3%	546	10.0%
Cut, Puncture, Scrape	1,601	10.1%	1,001	9.7%	600	10.9%
Caught In, Under or Between	1,585	10.0%	1,219	11.8%	366	6.7%
Struck Or Injured By	1,542	9.7%	1,031	10.0%	511	9.3%
Miscellaneous Not Otherwise Classified	1,504	9.5%	1,112	10.7%	390	7.1%
Motor Vehicle	653	4.1%	508	4.9%	145	2.6%
Burn or Scald - Heat Or Cold Exposures	351	2.2%	278	2.7%	73	1.3%
Striking Against Or Stepping On	259	1.6%	170	1.6%	89	1.6%
TOTALS⁶	15,838	100%	10,351	100%	5,485	100%

¹ Death filings are included in the count of all filings.

² Two (2) filings did not indicate the gender of the injured worker.

³ Represents the percentage of total filings by injury cause.

⁴ Represents the percentage of male gender filings by injury cause.

⁵ Represents the percentage of female gender filings by injury cause.

⁶ Percentage totals may differ due to rounding.

Table 8
Filings by Nature of Injury, Cause of Injury and Gender (Detail)
2009

Injury Cause	All Filings ¹		Gender ²		Female	
	Count	Percent ³	Count	Percent ⁴	Count	Percent ⁵
BURN OR SCALD—HEAT OR COLD EXPOSURES	351	2.2%	278	2.6%	73	1.3%
Chemicals	76	0.5%	60	0.6%	16	0.3%
Contact, Hot Object or Substances	99	0.6%	68	0.7%	31	0.6%
Cold Objects or Substances	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Temperature Extremes	30	0.2%	24	0.2%	6	0.1%
Fire or Flame	19	0.1%	19	0.2%	0	0.0%
Steam or Hot Fluids	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Dust, Gases, Fumes	64	0.4%	53	0.5%	11	0.2%
Welding Operations	14	0.1%	14	0.1%	0	0.0%
Radiation	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Abnormal Air Pressure	3	0.0%	3	0.0%	0	0.0%
Electrical Current	42	0.3%	35	0.3%	7	0.1%
Contact With NOC	4	0.0%	2	0.0%	2	0.0%
CAUGHT IN, UNDER OR BETWEEN Machinery	1,585	10.0%	1,219	11.8%	366	6.6%
Object Handled	108	0.7%	89	0.9%	19	0.3%
Collapsing Materials	808	5.1%	581	5.6%	227	4.1%
Caught In/Between NOC	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
	669	4.2%	549	5.3%	120	2.2%
CUT, PUNCTURE, SCRAPE	1,601	10.1%	1,001	9.6%	600	11.0%
Cut/Scrape by Broken Glass	8	0.1%	5	0.0%	3	0.1%
Hand Tool, Not Powered	127	0.8%	111	1.1%	16	0.3%
Object Being Lifted or Handled	1,407	8.9%	839	8.1%	568	10.4%
Powered Hand Tool	16	0.1%	14	0.1%	2	0.0%
Cut/Puncture/Scrape NOC	43	0.3%	32	0.3%	11	0.2%
FALL, SLIP OR TRIP INJURY	3,872	24.4%	2,227	21.5%	1,645	30.0%
Fall/Slip—Different Level	725	4.6%	593	5.7%	132	2.4%
Fall/Slip—From Ladder, Scaffold	385	2.4%	335	3.2%	50	0.9%
Fall/Slip—From Liquid Grease spills	428	2.7%	156	1.5%	272	5.0%
Fall/Slip—Into Opening	145	0.9%	115	1.1%	30	0.5%
Fall/Slip—On Same Level	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Slipped, Did Not Fall	5	0.0%	2	0.0%	3	0.1%
Fall/Slip—On Ice or Snow	337	2.1%	182	1.8%	155	2.8%
Fall/Slip—On Stairs	232	1.5%	112	1.1%	120	2.2%
Fall/Slip/Trip NOC	1,615	10.2%	732	7.1%	883	16.1%

Table 8 (continued)
Filings by Nature of Injury, Cause of Injury and Gender (Detail)
2009

Injury Cause	All Filings ¹		Gender ²			
	Count	Percent ³	Count	Percent ⁴	Count	Percent ⁵
MOTOR VEHICLE	653	4.1%	508	4.8%	145	2.7%
Crash of Water Vehicle	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Crash of Rail Vehicle	3	0.0%	3	0.0%	0	0.0%
Motor Vehicle/Collision	571	3.6%	435	4.2%	136	2.5%
Fixed Object/Collision	1	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%
Airplane Crash	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Vehicle Upset	76	0.5%	67	0.6%	9	0.2%
Motor Vehicle NOC	2	0.0%	2	0.0%	0	0.0%
STRAIN OR INJURY BY	1,816	11.4%	1,270	12.3%	546	9.8%
Continual Noise	277	1.7%	256	2.5%	21	0.4%
Twisting	269	1.7%	179	1.7%	90	1.6%
Jumping	42	0.3%	34	0.3%	8	0.1%
Holding or Carrying	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Lifting	627	4.0%	368	3.6%	259	4.7%
Pushing or Pulling	543	3.4%	401	3.9%	142	2.6%
Reaching	50	0.3%	28	0.3%	22	0.4%
Using Tool or Machine	5	0.0%	3	0.0%	2	0.0%
Welding/Throwing	1	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%
Repetitive Motion	2	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.0%
Strain/Injury NOC	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
STRIKING AGAINST OR STEPPING ON	259	1.6%	170	1.6%	89	1.5%
Striking/Stepping on Moving Parts	5	0.0%	4	0.0%	1	0.0%
Lifted/Handled Object	31	0.2%	18	0.2%	13	0.2%
Sand, Scrape, Clean OPR	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Stationary Object	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Step on Sharp Object	3	0.0%	2	0.0%	1	0.0%
Strike Against/Step on NOC	220	1.4%	146	1.4%	74	1.3%
STRUCK OR INJURED BY	1,542	9.8%	1,031	9.9%	511	9.2%
Person (Not in Act of Crime)	207	1.3%	46	0.4%	161	2.9%
Struck/Injured by Falling Object	475	3.0%	359	3.5%	116	2.1%
Hand Tool/Machine In Use	60	0.4%	54	0.5%	6	0.1%
Motor Vehicle	95	0.6%	74	0.7%	21	0.4%
Machine Moving Parts	30	0.2%	26	0.3%	4	0.1%
Lifted or Handled Obj	173	1.1%	106	1.0%	67	1.2%
Object Handled by Others	13	0.1%	11	0.1%	2	0.0%
Animal or Insect	101	0.6%	66	0.6%	35	0.6%
Explosion/Flare Back	29	0.2%	28	0.3%	1	0.0%
Struck/Injured by NOC	359	2.3%	261	2.5%	98	1.8%

Table 8 (continued)
Filings by Nature of Injury, Cause of Injury and Gender (Detail)
2009

Injury Cause	All Filings ¹		Gender ²			
	Count	Percent ³	Count	Percent ⁴	Count	Percent ⁵
REPETITIVE MOTION	2,655	16.8%	1,535	14.8%	1,120	20.4%
MISCELLANEOUS CAUSES	1,504	9.4%	1,112	10.7%	390	7.0%
Absorption/Ingestion/Inhalation NOC	108	0.7%	86	0.8%	22	0.4%
Foreign Body in Eye	69	0.4%	62	0.6%	7	0.1%
Person (Criminal Act)	101	0.6%	71	0.7%	30	0.5%
Other than Physical	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Cumulative (All Others)	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Other Misc. Causes	1,226	7.7%	893	8.6%	331	6.0%
TOTALS⁶	15,838	100%	10,351	100%	5,485	100%

¹ Death filings are included in the count of all filings.

² Two (2) filings did not indicate the gender of the injured worker.

³ Represents the percentage of total filings by major and minor injury cause.

⁴ Represents the percentage of male gender filings by major and minor injury cause.

⁵ Represents the percentage of female gender filings by major and minor injury cause.

⁶ Percentage totals may differ due to rounding.

**Section IV - North American Industry
Classification System (NAICS)**

Table 9
NAICS Sectors Compared to Non-Farm Employment: 2005 - 2009

Average Annual Employment: 2005-2009¹

NAICS Sectors ²	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Mining	36,000	42,100	46,500	51,800	43,400
Utilities	9,500	9,900	10,400	10,800	11,500
Construction	65,500	70,400	71,300	75,600	68,800
Manufacturing	144,700	149,100	150,200	150,700	129,600
Wholesale Trade	56,500	58,700	59,700	59,900	56,500
Retail Trade	169,700	170,800	171,100	173,100	169,300
Transportation & Warehousing	43,200	44,900	47,700	45,800	43,500
Information	30,100	29,800	28,800	28,900	27,500
Finance & Insurance	60,100	59,700	59,700	59,500	58,800
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	23,900	24,400	24,100	23,600	22,400
Professional, Scientific & Technical Services	59,300	60,800	62,900	64,600	62,100
Management of Companies & Enterprises	12,400	12,600	13,200	13,700	13,200
Administrative, Support, Waste Management & Remediation Services	98,600	101,700	104,800	106,500	90,200
Educational Services	17,800	18,800	18,900	19,500	19,900
Health Care & Social Assistance	164,700	168,800	173,700	178,700	181,700
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	14,300	15,700	17,300	18,800	14,400
Accommodation & Food Services	118,500	121,000	122,600	125,200	125,700
Other Services (except Public Administration)	74,200	74,500	62,900	63,500	62,000
Public Administration	265,500	273,400	275,300	280,100	291,600
TOTALS	1,464,500	1,507,100	1,521,100	1,550,300	1,492,100

¹ Source: Oklahoma Employment Security Commission, Labor Market Unit, "CES Data." Excludes agricultural and federal employment. Figures are rounded.

² Source: Office of Management and Budget, *North American Industry Classification System, United States, 2007*.

Table 10
Filings by NAICS Sectors
2009

NAICS Sectors¹	All Filings²
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	652
Mining	721
Utilities	109
Construction	1,162
Manufacturing	2,147
Wholesale Trade	472
Retail Trade	1,610
Transportation & Warehousing	835
Information	158
Finance & Insurance	101
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	207
Professional, Scientific & Technical Services	186
Management of Companies & Enterprises	11
Administrative, Support, Waste Management & Remediation Services	861
Educational Services	86
Health Care & Social Assistance	1,333
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	152
Accommodation & Food Services	679
Other Services (except Public Administration)	345
Public Administration	2,385
Nonclassifiable and invalid codes	1,626
TOTALS	15,838

¹ Source: Office of Management and Budget, *North American Industry Classification System, United States, 2007*.

² Death filings are included in the count of all filings.

Table 11
Percent Distribution of Filings by NAICS Subsectors
2009

NAICS Subsectors ¹	All Filings ²	Percent
AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISHING HUNTING		
Crop Production	19	0.1%
Animal Production	43	0.3%
Forestry & logging	553	3.5%
Fishing, Hunting & Trapping	27	0.2%
Support Activities for Agriculture & Forestry	10	0.1%
Subtotal	652	4.2%
MINING		
Oil & Gas Extraction	130	0.8%
Mining (except Oil & Gas)	29	0.2%
Support Activities for Mining	562	3.5%
Subtotal	721	4.5%
UTILITIES		
Utilities	134	0.8%
Subtotal	134	0.8%
CONSTRUCTION		
Construction of Buildings	235	1.5%
Heavy & Civil Engineering Construction	154	1.0%
Specialty Trade Contractors	774	4.9%
Subtotal	1,163	7.4%
MANUFACTURING		
Food Manufacturing	258	1.6%
Beverage & Tobacco Product	72	0.5%
Textile Mills	3	0.0%
Textile Product Mills	9	0.1%
Apparel Manufacturing	14	0.1%
Leather & Allied Product Manufacturing	3	0.0%
Wood Product Manufacturing	41	0.3%
Paper Manufacturing	81	0.5%
Printing & Related Support Activities	16	0.1%
Petroleum & Coal Products Manufacturing	37	0.2%
Chemical Manufacturing	36	0.2%

Table 11 (continued)

NAICS Subsectors ¹	All Filings ²	Percent
Plastics & Rubber Products Manufacturing	265	1.7%
Nonmetallic Mineral Product Manufacturing	158	1.0%
Primary Metal Manufacturing	110	0.7%
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	366	2.3%
Machinery Manufacturing	364	2.3%
Computer & Electronic Product Manufacturing	21	0.1%
Electrical Equipment, Appliance & Component Manufacturing	54	0.3%
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	183	1.2%
Furniture & Related Product Manufacturing	22	0.1%
Miscellaneous Manufacturing	35	0.2%
Subtotal	2,148	13.5%
WHOLESALE TRADE		
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	234	1.5%
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	222	1.4%
Wholesale Electronic Markets, Agents & Brokers	16	0.1%
Subtotal	472	3.0%
RETAIL TRADE		
Motor Vehicle & Parts Dealers	180	1.1%
Furniture & Home Furnishings Stores	32	0.2%
Electronics & Appliance Stores	53	0.3%
Building Material, Garden Equipment & Supplies Dealers	180	1.1%
Food & Beverage Stores	281	1.8%
Health & Personal Care Stores	38	0.2%
Gasoline Stations	56	0.4%
Clothing & Clothing Accessories Stores	33	0.2%
Sporting Goods, Hobby, Book & Music Stores	74	0.5%
General Merchandise Stores	591	3.7%
Miscellaneous Store Retailers	69	0.4%
Nonstore Retailers	23	0.1%
Subtotal	1,610	10.0%
TRANSPORTATION & WAREHOUSING		
Air Transportation	225	1.4%
Rail Transportation	0	0.0%
Water Transportation	1	0.0%
Truck Transportation	420	2.7%
Transit & Ground Passenger Transportation	29	0.2%
Pipeline Transportation	3	0.0%
Scenic & Sightseeing Transportation	0	0.0%
Support Activities for Transportation	63	0.4%
Postal Service	2	0.0%
Couriers & Messengers	75	0.5%
Warehousing & Storage	21	0.1%
Subtotal	839	5.3%

Table 11 (continued)

NAICS Subsectors ¹	All Filings ²	Percent
INFORMATION		
Publishing Industries (except Internet)	31	0.2%
Motion Picture & Sound Recording Industries	4	0.0%
Broadcasting (except Internet)	55	0.3%
Internet Publishing & Broadcasting	0	0.0%
Telecommunications	58	0.4%
Internet Service Providers, Web Search Portals & Data Processing Services	9	0.1%
Other Information Services	1	0.0%
Subtotal	158	1.0%
FINANCE & INSURANCE		
Monetary Authorities-Central Bank	7	0.0%
Credit Intermediation & Related Activities	28	0.2%
Securities, Commodity Contracts, Other Financial Investments & Related Activities	12	0.1%
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities	56	0.4%
Funds, Trusts & Other Financial Vehicles	2	0.0%
Subtotal	105	0.7%
REAL ESTATE, RENTAL & LEASING		
Real Estate	164	1.0%
Rental & Leasing Services	46	0.3%
Lessors of Nonfinancial Intangible Assets (except Copyrighted Works)	0	0.0%
Subtotal	210	1.3%
PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC & TECHNICAL SERVICES		
Professional, Scientific & Technical Services	186	1.2%
Subtotal	186	1.2%
MANAGEMENT OF COMPANIES & ENTERPRISES		
Management of Companies & Enterprises	11	0.1%
Subtotal	11	0.1%
ADMINISTRATIVE, SUPPORT, WASTE MANAGEMENT & REMEDIATION SERVICES		
Administrative & Support Services	810	5.1%
Waste Management & Remediation Services	52	0.3%
Subtotal	862	5.4%
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES		
Educational Services	739	4.7%
Subtotal	739	4.7%
HEALTH CARE & SOCIAL ASSISTANCE		
Ambulatory Health Care Services	496	3.1%
Hospitals	521	3.3%
Nursing & Residential Care Facilities	413	2.6%
Social Assistance	179	1.1%
Subtotal	1,609	10.1%

Table 11 (continued)

NAICS Subsectors ¹	All Filings ²	Percent
ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT & RECREATION		
Performing Arts, Spectator Sports & Related Industries	31	0.2%
Museums, Historical Sites & Similar Institutions	7	0.0%
Amusement, Gambling & Recreation Industries	119	0.8%
Subtotal	157	1.0%
ACCOMMODATION & FOOD SERVICES		
Accommodation	128	0.8%
Food Services & Drinking Places	567	3.6%
Subtotal	695	4.4%
OTHER SERVICES (EXCEPT PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION)		
Repair & Maintenance	167	1.1%
Personal & Laundry Services	101	0.6%
Religious, Grantmaking, Civic, Professional & Similar Organizations	80	0.5%
Private Households	0	0.0%
Subtotal	348	2.2%
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION		
Executive, Legislative & Other General Government Support	999	6.3%
Justice, Public Order & Safety Activities	258	1.6%
Administration of Human Resource Programs	36	0.2%
Administration of Environmental	3	0.0%
Administration of Housing Programs, Urban Planning & Community Development	14	0.1%
Administration of Economic Programs	9	0.1%
Space Research & Technology	0	0.0%
National Security & International Affairs	0	0.0%
Subtotal	1,319	8.3%
NONCLASSIFIABLE		
Nonclassifiable and invalid codes	1,700	10.7%
Subtotal	1,700	10.7%
TOTALS³	15,838	100%

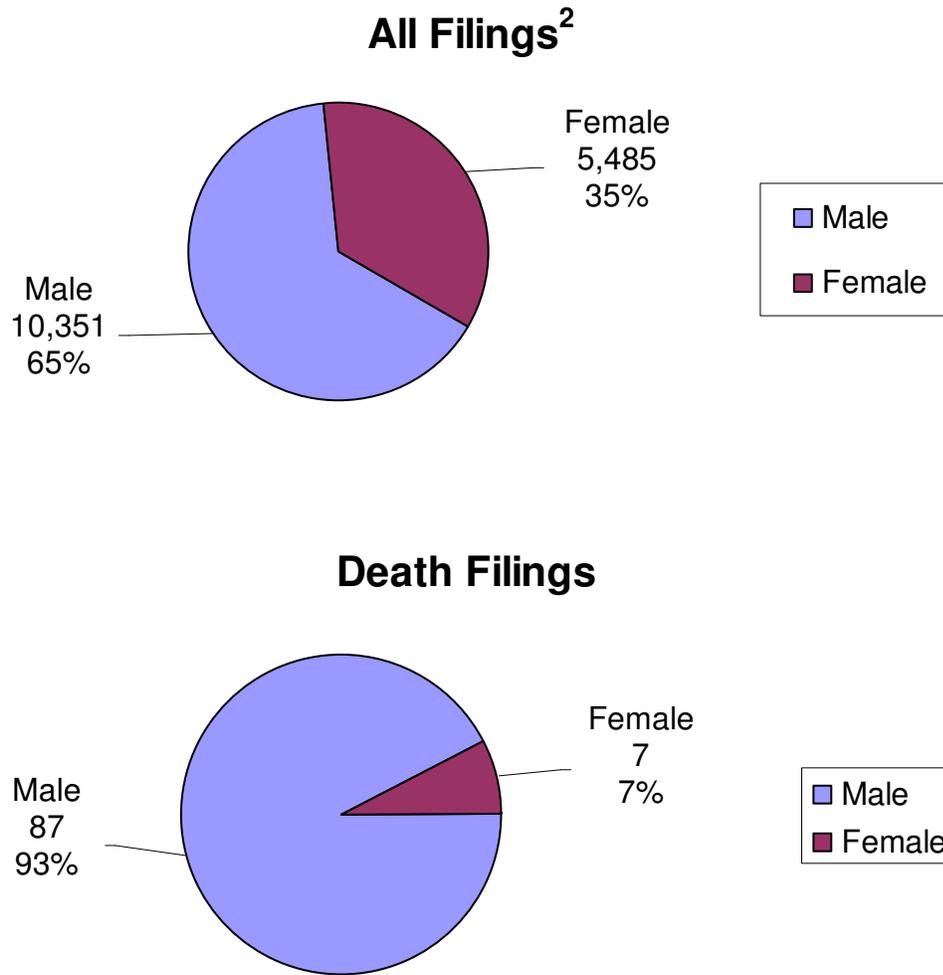
¹ Source: Office of Management and Budget, *North American Industry Classification System, United States, 2007*.

² Death filings are included in the count of all filings.

³ Percentage totals may differ due to rounding.

Section V - Filings by Gender

Figure 1
Percent Distribution of Filings by Gender¹
2009



¹ Two (2) filings did not indicate the gender of the injured worker.

² Death filings are included in the count of all filings.

³ Percentage totals may differ due to rounding.

Table 12
Percent Distribution of Filings by Gender and NAICS Sectors
2009

NAICS Sectors ²	Gender ¹			
	Male		Female	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	574	88.0%	78	12.0%
Mining	688	95.4%	33	4.6%
Utilities	100	91.7%	9	8.3%
Construction	1,114	95.9%	48	4.1%
Manufacturing	1,673	77.9%	474	22.1%
Wholesale Trade	380	80.7%	91	19.3%
Retail Trade	790	49.1%	820	50.9%
Transportation & Warehousing	717	85.9%	118	14.1%
Information	98	62.0%	60	38.0%
Finance & Insurance	41	40.6%	60	59.4%
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	130	62.8%	77	37.2%
Professional, Scientific & Technical Services	102	54.8%	84	45.2%
Management of Companies & Enterprises	6	54.5%	5	45.5%
Administrative, Support, Waste Management & Remediation Services	625	72.6%	236	27.4%
Educational Services	41	47.7%	45	52.3%
Health Care & Social Assistance	199	14.9%	1,134	85.1%
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	73	48.0%	79	52.0%
Accommodation & Food Services	250	36.8%	429	63.2%
Other Services (except Public Administration)	221	64.1%	124	35.9%
Public Administration	1,399	58.7%	986	41.3%
Nonclassifiable and invalid codes	1,130	69.5%	495	30.4%
TOTALS³	10,351	65.4%	5,485	34.6%

¹ Two (2) filings did not indicate the gender of the injured worker.

² Source: Office of Management and Budget, *North American Industry Classification System, United States, 2007*.

³ Percentage totals may differ due to rounding.

Section VI - Filings by Age

Table 13
Percent Distribution of Filings by Age and Gender
2009

Age Group	All Filings ²		Male		Female	
	Count	Percent ³	Count	Percent ⁴	Count	Percent ⁵
15 Years or Less	2	0.0%	1	0.0%	1	0.0%
16 - 17 Years	25	0.2%	15	0.1%	10	0.2%
18 - 19 Years	149	0.9%	110	1.1%	39	0.7%
20 - 24 Years	841	5.3%	609	5.9%	232	4.2%
25 - 34 Years	2,807	17.7%	1,946	18.8%	861	15.7%
35 - 44 Years	3,913	24.7%	2,561	24.7%	1,352	24.7%
45 - 54 Years	4,943	31.2%	3,113	30.1%	1,830	33.4%
55 - 64 Years	2,603	16.4%	1,641	15.9%	962	17.5%
65 Years or More	402	2.5%	246	2.4%	156	2.8%
Unknown	153	1.0%	109	1.1%	42	0.8%
TOTALS⁶	15,838	100%	10,351	100%	5,485	100%

¹ Two (2) filings did not indicate the gender of the injured worker.

² Death filings are included in the count of all filings.

³ Represents the percentage of total filings by age.

⁴ Represents the percentage of male gender filings by age.

⁵ Represents the percentage of female gender filings by age.

⁶ Percentage totals may differ due to rounding.

Table 14
Filings by Age of Worker and NAICS Sectors
2009

NAICS Sectors ¹	Age of Worker										Unk	Total
	15 or less	16-17	18-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65 +			
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	0	0	3	7	46	90	286	207	3	10	652	
Mining	0	0	13	61	188	177	181	78	17	6	721	
Utilities	0	0	1	4	20	24	33	24	1	2	109	
Construction	0	0	17	97	267	322	310	126	12	11	1,162	
Manufacturing	0	2	16	86	363	579	674	372	39	16	2,147	
Wholesale Trade	0	1	10	21	104	124	138	63	9	2	472	
Retail Trade	1	5	19	109	284	421	460	236	62	13	1,610	
Transportation & Warehousing	0	0	3	23	100	199	312	163	27	8	835	
Information	0	0	2	6	29	39	60	19	1	2	158	
Finance & Insurance	0	0	1	6	11	24	31	20	4	4	101	
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	0	1	2	13	39	47	56	41	6	2	207	
Professional, Scientific & Technical Services	0	0	0	9	42	44	54	31	5	1	186	
Management of Companies & Enterprises	0	0	0	1	2	1	2	4	0	1	11	
Administrative, Support, Waste Management & Remediation Services	0	0	11	77	201	215	227	102	23	5	861	
Educational Services	0	1	0	2	9	16	23	26	8	1	86	
Health Care & Social Assistance	0	2	7	69	222	328	412	250	37	6	1,333	
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	0	2	1	14	31	21	42	32	3	6	152	
Accommodation & Food Services	0	9	23	64	145	173	185	63	6	11	679	
Other Services (except Public Administration)	0	0	2	19	56	94	105	53	11	5	345	
Public Administration	0	1	2	55	306	559	861	485	91	25	2,385	
Nonclassifiable and invalid codes	1	1	16	98	342	416	491	208	37	16	1,626	
TOTALS	2	25	149	841	2,807	3,913	4,943	2,603	402	153	15,838	

¹ Source: Office of Management and Budget, *North American Industry Classification System, United States, 2007*.

Section VII - Death Filings

Table 15
Distribution of Death Filings by NAICS Sectors
2009

NAICS Sectors ¹	Count
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	1
Mining	14
Utilities	1
Construction	9
Manufacturing	6
Wholesale Trade	1
Retail Trade	5
Transportation & Warehousing	8
Information	0
Finance & Insurance	2
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	2
Professional, Scientific & Technical Services	0
Management of Companies & Enterprises	0
Administrative, Support, Waste Management & Remediation Services	8
Educational Services	1
Health Care & Social Assistance	2
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	1
Accommodation & Food Services	2
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1
Public Administration	14
Nonclassifiable and invalid codes	16
TOTALS	94

¹ Source: Office of Management and Budget, *North American Industry Classification System, United States, 2007*.

Table 16
Percent Distribution of Death Filings by Part of Body Injured
2009

Body Part	Count	Percent
Ankle	1	1.1%
Back	8	8.5%
Body Parts, unspecified	3	3.2%
Body System	3	3.2%
Brain	4	4.3%
Chest	5	5.3%
Circulatory System	11	11.7%
Excretory System	1	1.1%
Feet	1	1.1%
Head	14	14.9%
Knee	1	1.1%
Legs	1	1.1%
Multiple Parts	25	26.6%
Neck	4	4.3%
Nervous System	3	3.2%
Non-Classifiable	0	0.0%
Respiratory System	8	8.5%
Shoulder	1	1.1%
TOTALS¹	94	100%

¹ Percentage totals may differ due to rounding.

Table 17
Percent Distribution of Death Filings by Gender and
NAICS Sectors
2009

NAICS Sectors ¹	Gender			
	Male		Female	
	Count	Percent ²	Count	Percent ²
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	1	1.1%	0	0.0%
Mining	13	13.8%	1	1.1%
Utilities	1	1.1%	0	0.0%
Construction	9	9.6%	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	6	6.4%	0	0.0%
Wholesale Trade	1	1.1%	0	0.0%
Retail Trade	5	5.3%	0	0.0%
Transportation & Warehousing	8	8.5%	0	0.0%
Information	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Finance & Insurance	1	1.1%	1	1.1%
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	2	2.1%	0	0.0%
Professional, Scientific & Technical Services	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Management of Companies & Enterprises	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Administrative, Support, Waste Management & Remediation Services	8	8.5%	0	0.0%
Educational Services	0	0.0%	1	1.1%
Health Care & Social Assistance	1	1.1%	1	1.1%
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	1	1.1%	0	0.0%
Accommodation & Food Services	2	2.1%	0	0.0%
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1	1.1%	0	0.0%
Public Administration	12	12.8%	2	2.1%
Nonclassifiable and invalid codes	15	16.0%	1	1.1%
TOTALS³	87	92.6%	7	7.4%

¹ Source: Office of Management and Budget, *North American Industry Classification System, United States, 2009*.

² Represents the percentage of total death claim filings by gender and NAICS Sector.

³ Percentage totals may differ due to rounding.

Table 18
Percent Distribution of Death Filings by Age
2009

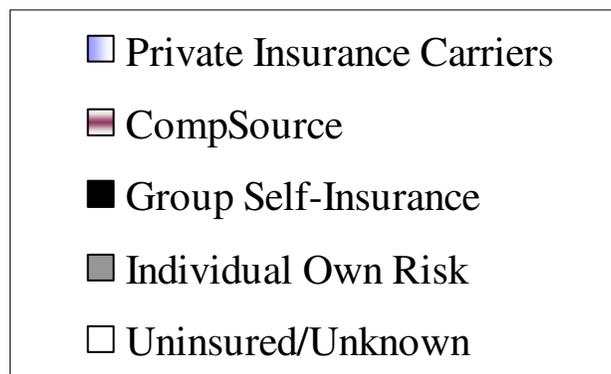
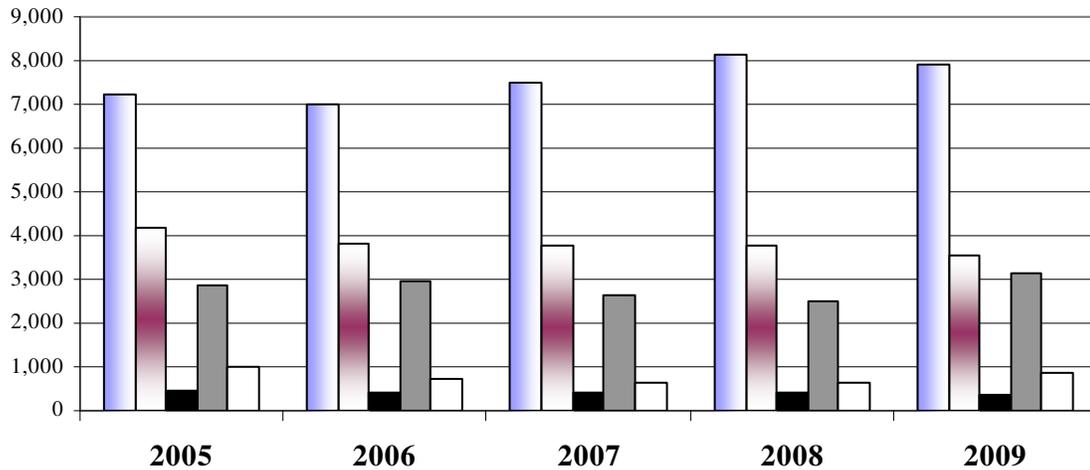
Gender

Age Group	Totals		Male		Female	
	Count	Percent ¹	Count	Percent ²	Count	Percent ³
15 Years or Less	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
16 - 17 Years	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
18 - 19 Years	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
20 - 24 Years	6	5.7%	5	5.7%	1	14.3%
25 - 34 Years	17	18.1%	17	19.5%	0	0.0%
35 - 44 Years	24	25.5%	23	26.4%	1	14.3%
45 - 54 Years	28	30.0%	24	27.6%	4	57.1%
55 - 64 Years	14	15.0%	13	14.9%	1	14.3%
65 Years or More	5	5.3%	5	5.7%	0	0.0%
Unknown	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
TOTALS⁴	94	100 %	87	100 %	7	100 %

- ¹ Represents the percentage of total filings by age.
- ² Represents the percentage of male gender filings by age.
- ³ Represents the percentage of female gender filings by age.
- ⁴ Percentage totals may differ due to rounding.

Section VIII - Type of Coverage

Chart 1
Distribution of Filings by Type of Coverage
2005 - 2009



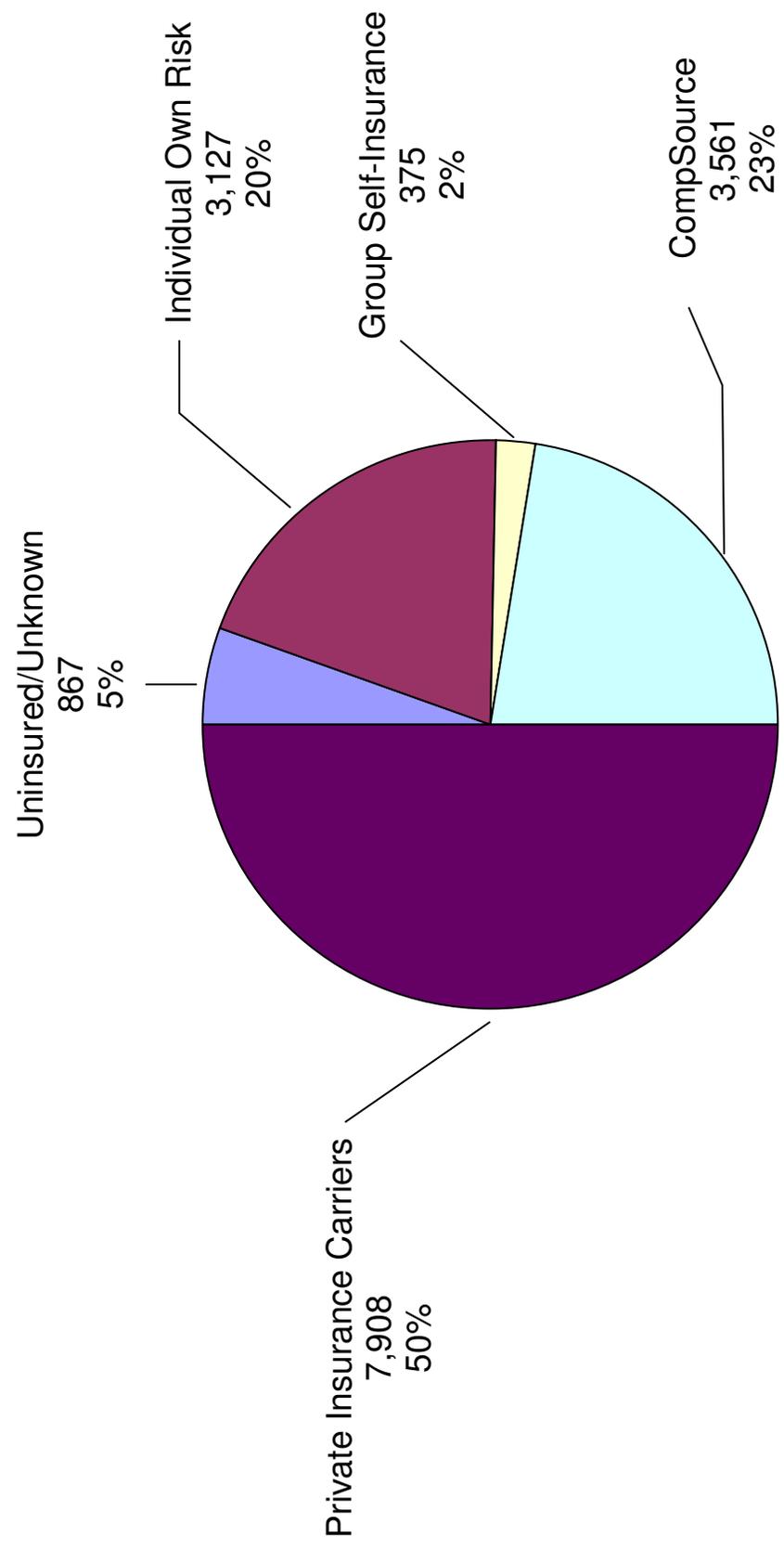
Filings By Year

	2005		2006		2007		2008		2009	
	Qty	%								
Private Insurance Carriers	7,214	46%	7,010	47%	7,504	50%	8,133	53%	7,908	50%
CompSource	4,197	27%	3,839	26%	3,777	25%	3,778	24%	3,561	23%
Group Self-Insurance	435	2%	388	3%	421	3%	392	3%	375	2%
Individual Own Risk	2,872	18%	2,947	19%	2,652	18%	2,503	16%	3,127	20%
Uninsured/Unknown	1,022	7%	735	5%	616	4%	614	4%	867	5%
TOTALS¹	15,740	100%	14,919	100%	14,970	100%	15,420	100%	15,838	100%

¹ Percentage totals may differ due to rounding.

Figure 2

Percent Distribution of Filings by Type of Coverage 2009



**Section IX - Settlements, Dismissals
and Court Orders**

Table 19
Select Orders and Settlements: 2005 - 2009

Type of Order¹	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Form 14	1,055	490	99	17	5
Joint Petition.....	10,236	10,700	10,513	10,536	10,080
Claims Dismissed.....	585	486	427	340	321
Commute to a Lump Sum	76	82	133	147	151
Death Benefits.....	48	64	59	55	63
Denial of Claim	599	505	532	446	589
Denial - Miscellaneous.....	287	245	184	144	191
Disfigurement.....	72	68	63	68	74
Independent Medical Examination.....	4,245	2,329	606	425	555
Miscellaneous.....	2,369	2,404	1,996	2,278	2,179
Nunc Pro Tunc	838	839	793	777	798
Order to Vacate	138	119	137	144	311
Payment of Medical Expenses (Form 19)	687	662	675	647	728
Permanent Partial Disability.....	3,291	3,413	3,431	3,480	3,768
Permanent Total Disability.....	62	78	62	40	63
Multiple Injury Trust Fund.....	105	34	21	31	60
Multiple Injury Trust Fund PTD	119	71	159	165	187
Supplemental Order.....	131	115	75	83	77
Temporary Total Disability	2,295	2,034	2,090	2,147	2,329
Vocational Rehabilitation.....	199	150	163	160	151
Vocational Rehabilitation Evaluation	718	570	545	479	512

¹ Not all order/settlement categories appear in this table.

Table 20
Orders and Settlements, Calendar Year 2009 (Detail)¹

Settlement/Order Type	Number of Awards or Settlements	Amount of Award or Settlement
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Agreed Settlements

Form 14.....	5.....	\$70,909
Joint Petition.....	10,080.....	\$229,508,083
Compromise Settlement (Form 1X).....	1.....	\$14,216
Form 26.....	350.....	\$2,782,510

Order Type	Number of Orders	Amount of Orders
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Workers' Compensation Court Orders

Change of Condition PPD.....	158.....	\$3,286,037
Change of Condition TTD.....	119	
Change of Condition PTD Reopen Worse.....	7	
Compensability.....	146	
Death Benefits.....	63	
Denial of Claim.....	589	
Denial, Miscellaneous.....	191	
Disfigurement.....	74.....	\$649,759
Payment of Medical Expenses.....	728	
Medical Treatment Ordered.....	2,148	
Medical Case Management Approved.....	101	
Permanent Partial Disability (PPD).....	3,768.....	\$111,102,698
Permanent Total Disability.....	63	
Multiple Injury Trust Fund.....	60.....	\$1,056,199
Multiple Injury Trust Fund PTD.....	187	
Employer Combined Disability.....	33	
Temporary Total Disability.....	2,329	
Independent Medical Examination.....	555	
Change of Physician.....	4,802	
Vocational Rehabilitation Evaluation.....	512	
Attorney Fees.....	47	
Attorney Withdrawal.....	2,521	
Certification to District Court.....	122	
Claim Dismissed.....	321	
Commute to a Lump Sum.....	151	
Consolidation of Claims.....	522	

Table 20 (continued)

Orders and Settlements, Calendar Year 2009 (Detail)¹

Order Type	Number of Orders	Amount of Orders
Employer/Insurance Carrier Dismissed	295	
Employer/Insurance Carrier Added	45	
Extension of Time	0	
Jurisdiction	9	
Miscellaneous	2,179	
Nunc Pro Tunc	798	(-\$36,415)
Order to Vacate	311	(-\$3,654,023)
Pauper Status Approved	2	
Pauper Status Denied	0	
Multiple Injury Trust Fund, Miscellaneous	15	
Supplemental Order	77	
Venue	145	
Vocational Rehabilitation	151	
Order for Mediation	1,286	

Court En Banc Orders of Appealed Workers' Compensation Court Cases

Appeal Affirming	448	
Appeal Modifying	307	(-\$389,240)
Appeal Dismissing	20	
Appeal Remanded/Vacated	128	(-\$678,425)

Supreme Court Orders of Appealed Workers' Compensation Court Cases

Mandate Affirming	2	
Mandate Dismissing	17	
Mandate JP of Settlement	18	
Mandate Sustaining	105	
Mandate Remanded/Vacated	16	

¹ Not all order categories appear in this table. All Orders of the Court Administrator, except settlements, are excluded.

Table 21
2009 Judicial Activity

	Judge	Trial Settings	PHC Settings	Orders Written & Approved ¹	En Banc Appeal Settings By Judge	En Banc Orders Signed By Judge
Workers' Compensation Court Judges	Black	2,867	4,540	2,834	335	270
	Eldridge	2,426	4,291	2,697	387	324
	Farrar	2,734	3,407	2,475	332	271
	Foster	2,040	3,367	2,118	240	174
	Grove	1,777	3,018	1,745	393	309
	Harkey	2,875	3,947	2,910	361	292
	Leonard	3,289	4,128	3,057	358	286
	McCormick	2,779	4,404	3,311	361	301
	Prigmore	2,309	5,013	2,285	258	210
	Quandt	2,616	4,352	3,195	246	186
Active Retired Judges	Cashion	2	0	3	32	22
	Craig	2	2	1	0	0
	Salyer	0	0	0	45	37
	Strubhar	0	0	0	0	0
	Totals	25,716	40,469	26,631	3,348²	2,682³

¹ Excludes Settlements and Court En Banc orders.

² For total Court En Banc case settings see Table 23.

³ For total Court En Banc orders see Table 22.

Table 22
Appellate Activity: 2005 - 2009

Court En Banc Orders

Type of Order	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
En Banc Appeal Affirming	647	659	687	502	448
En Banc Appeal Dismissing	9	12	8	4	20
En Banc Appeal Modifying	272	243	304	208	307
En Banc Appeal					
Remanded/Vacated	134	131	174	136	128
TOTALS	1,062	1,045	1,173	850	903

Supreme Court Orders

Type of Order	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Mandate Affirming	3	3	2	2	2
Mandate Dismissing	23	23	36	19	17
Mandate JP of Settlement	10	7	12	10	18
Mandate Remanded/Vacated ¹	20	28	19	18	16
Mandate Sustaining	110	129	135	113	105
TOTALS	166	190	204	162	158

¹ This category includes the subcategories: Mandate Affirmed, Mandate Affirmed Death Benefits, Mandate Affirmed Disfigurement, Mandate Affirmed PPD and Mandate Affirmed TTD.

**Section X - Maximum Weekly
Compensation Rates**

Chart 2
Maximum Weekly Compensation Rates
 For injuries or deaths occurring 11/1/82 - 10/31/10

Injury/Death Date	TTD ¹	PPD ²	PTD ³	Death ⁴
11/1/09 - 10/31/10	\$717	\$359	\$717	See footnote 4
11/1/08 - 10/31/09	\$683	\$342	\$683	See footnote 4
11/1/05 - 10/31/08	\$577	\$289	\$577	See footnote 4
11/1/02 - 10/31/05	\$528	\$264	\$528	See footnote 4
10/23/01 - 10/31/02	\$473	\$237	\$473	See footnote 4
11/1/99 - 10/22/01	\$473	\$237	\$473	\$473
11/1/96 - 10/31/99	\$426	\$213	\$426	\$426
1/1/96 - 10/31/96	\$409	\$205	\$409	\$409
1/1/95 - 12/31/95	\$368	\$205	\$368	\$368
11/1/93 - 12/31/94	\$307	\$205	\$307	\$307
9/1/92 - 10/31/93	\$277	\$185	\$277	\$277
11/1/90 - 08/31/92	\$246	\$185	\$246	\$246
11/1/87 - 10/31/90	\$231	\$173	\$231	\$231
11/1/84 - 10/31/87	\$217	\$163	\$217	\$217
11/1/83 - 10/31/84	\$212	\$159	\$212	\$212
11/1/82 - 10/31/83	\$196	\$147	\$196	\$196

¹ TTD is 70% of the employee's average weekly wage, not to exceed **75%** of the state's average weekly wage (SAWW), for injuries occurring from 9/1/92 through 12/31/94. For injuries occurring from 1/1/95 through 12/31/95, TTD is 70% of the employee's average weekly wage, not to exceed **90%** of the SAWW. For injuries occurring on and after 1/1/96, TTD is 70% of the employee's average weekly wage, not to exceed **100%** of the SAWW.

² PPD is 70% of the employee's average weekly wage, not to exceed **50%** of the SAWW, for injuries on and after 9/1/92.

³ PTD is 70% of the employee's average weekly wage, not to exceed **75%** of the SAWW, for injuries occurring from 9/1/92 through 12/31/94. For injuries occurring from 1/1/95 through 12/31/95, PTD is 70% of the employee's average weekly wage, not to exceed **90%** of the SAWW. For injuries occurring on and after 1/1/96, PTD is 70% of the employee's average weekly wage, not to exceed **100%** of the SAWW.

⁴ For deaths occurring before 10/23/01, the maximum weekly income benefits payable to **all** beneficiaries was the weekly amount the deceased would have received for PTD. For deaths occurring on or after 10/23/01, the maximum weekly income benefits payable to **all** beneficiaries varies depending upon the deceased's average weekly wage. If the deceased's average weekly wage is less than the SAWW, the aggregate weekly income benefits payable to **all** beneficiaries shall not exceed 100% of the deceased's average weekly wage. If the deceased's average weekly wage equals or exceeds the SAWW, the aggregate weekly income benefits payable to **all** beneficiaries shall not exceed the SAWW.

Section XI - Dockets

Table 23
Hearings Set by Issue or Docket Type & City of Setting
2009

Type of Issues/Docket to be Set	Oklahoma City	Tulsa	TOTALS
<u>Trial Dockets</u>			
Trial Settings.....	12,454	7,590	20,044
Multiple Injury Trust Fund (PPD & Perm. Total)	381	141	522
Employer Combined Disability	115	42	157
Miscellaneous Issues.....	3,265	1,728	4,993
<u>Informal Dispute Resolution Dockets</u>			
Temporary Issue Docket.....	1,490	1,736	3,226
Prehearing Conference.....	26,619	13,850	40,469
Form 19 Disposition Docket.....	1,194	561	1,755
Judicial Settlement Conferences	1	1	2
<u>Appellate Dockets</u>			
Court En Banc Appeals.....	754	362	1,116
TOTALS	46,273	26,011	72,284

Trial Settings: This docket includes issues involving permanent partial disability, temporary total disability and death benefits.

Judicial Settlement Conference: Judicial Settlement Conferences permit an informal discussion between the parties, attorneys, and the settlement judge on every aspect of the case bearing on its settlement value in an effort to resolve the matter before trial. The conference is conducted by a judge other than the assigned trial judge. The judicial settlement conference docket process was developed effective 10/23/01 in response to changes to 85 O.S., § 3.4.

Temporary Issue Docket: Preliminary docket used for Requests for TTD, Objection to Terminate TTD, Motion to Terminate TTD, Motion to Reopen for TTD, Motion for Change of Physician, Request for Medical Treatment, Prosthesis, Rate of Compensation and Custodial Care.

Miscellaneous Issues: Include instances where a Form 19 claim cannot be resolved at the Administrative Docket level, and the parties request judicial determination. If this issue is scheduled on a judicial docket with no other issue it is counted as a "miscellaneous" setting. In addition, if a party "motions" the court to order production of documents, etc, and these issues are not accompanied by any other "weightier" issue, these "motions" are also counted in the miscellaneous category.

Prehearing Conference: A Prehearing Conference docket used for review of issues such as Redetermination of Death Benefits, Rehabilitation, Attorney Fees, Disfigurement, Jurisdiction, Penalty, Reimbursement of Expenses, Travel Expenses, Request for IME, Multiple Injury Trust Fund (Permanent Total & Permanent Partial), Motion to Grant a Judicial Settlement Conference and miscellaneous Motions (i.e. Motions to Compel, to Commute, to Revoke Insurance License, to Produce, to Consolidate Claims for Hearing, to Tax Costs, to Change Venue of Hearing).

Court En Banc Appeals: A docket consisting of cases appealed from orders of a Workers' Compensation Court trial judge to a three-judge review panel.

Form 19 Disposition Docket: A docket utilized for the Request for Payment of Health or Rehabilitation Services.

Section XII - Dispute Prevention

Dispute Prevention

Dispute prevention covers a broad range of efforts by the Workers' Compensation Court to distribute information, provide assistance, and educate and train stakeholders. These efforts help resolve differences between the parties without resort to trial. They include:

- Making telephone information lines, including a toll-free line, available to the public;
- Assisting stakeholders;
- Providing education and training;
- Producing written materials explaining rights and responsibilities under the law; and
- Providing information on the Internet.

Telephone Information Lines and Assisting Stakeholders

In addition to its regular business telephone lines, the Court maintains an in-state toll free information line. Most requests for information or assistance are processed by the Court's Counselor Department. The department was created in 1994 and previously was known as the Ombudsman Office. The Department provides information, training and outreach to injured workers and other stakeholders. Counselors regularly assist employers, workers, insurers, medical providers, attorneys, government agencies, and the Attorney General's Workers' Compensation Fraud Unit.

In calendar year 2009, counselors responded to 27,750 telephone calls about the law, made 1,557 follow-up contacts, assisted 568 visitors who came to the Court for help, and responded in writing to 5,058 requests for information (including requests for brochures and educational documents).

Table 24. Inquiries to Counselor Department by Inquirer

Inquirer	2005		2006		2007		2008		2009	
	Count	Share								
Worker	18,331	59.53%	16,572	57.27%	15,004	54.92%	15,611	55.11%	13,392	48.26%
Employer	3,824	12.42%	3,632	12.55%	3,946	14.44%	2,411	8.51%	2,252	8.12%
Medical Provider	4,911	15.95%	4,723	16.32%	4,294	15.72%	4,657	16.44%	6,057	21.83%
Attorney	472	1.53%	233	0.81%	624	2.28%	961	3.39%	892	3.21%
Insurance Carrier	416	1.35%	521	1.80%	698	2.55%	771	2.72%	708	2.55%
AG Workers' Compensation Fraud Unit	510	1.66%	763	2.64%	758	2.77%	737	2.60%	893	3.22%
Legislators	47	0.15%	78	0.27%	31	0.11%	17	0.06%	28	0.10%
Other OK Government Agencies	172	0.56%	217	0.75%	326	1.19%	209	0.74%	314	1.13%
Other States	117	0.38%	54	0.19%	112	0.41%	56	0.20%	97	0.35%
Other	1,995	6.48%	2,146	7.42%	1,529	5.60%	2,897	10.23%	3,117	11.23%
TOTAL	30,995	100%	28,939	100%	27,322	100%	28,327	100%	27,750	100%

More than 48% of the inquiries were initiated by the worker, followed next by inquiries from medical providers. Questions regarding medical issues also are responded to by other Court staff. Most questions on medical issues concern the workers' compensation fee schedule and the Independent Medical Examiner and Medical Case Manager systems maintained by the Court.

Education and Training

The Court periodically sponsors, or jointly sponsors, educational seminars for workers' compensation system stakeholders. Its first program was in 1995. Additional programs have been held regularly thereafter. The programs are attended by insurance and business representatives, government agency personnel, physicians and their staff, attorneys and other legal professionals, certified workplace medical plan employees, vocational rehabilitation evaluators, case managers, and other health care professionals. The programs highlight legislative and case law developments, workers' compensation trends and best practices. They are designed to educate and train stakeholders about workers' compensation laws.

The 2009 Workers' Compensation Court Education Conference, *What Would the Judge Do?*, was held at the Meridian Technology Center in Stillwater, Oklahoma on September 10 and 11, 2009. Approximately 420 individuals from the medical, legal, insurance, government, business and labor sectors attended the conference.

Onsite training and workshops for various business, insurance and civic groups also are provided by the Court's Counselor Department upon request. Additionally, Judges and other court staff are frequent presenters at programs sponsored by the Oklahoma Bar Association and other groups. In calendar year 2009, counselors participated in educational conferences around the state attended by approximately 3,753 persons.

Written Materials

The Counselor Department produces written information, including brochures and educational documents, that explain rights and responsibilities under the workers' compensation law. Upon request, it distributes materials designed for injured workers and materials aimed at employers. In addition, the Department produces materials that describe aspects of the workers' compensation system (such as information on mediation and about resolving medical disputes). Written materials also are prepared by the Judges and court staff for various seminars sponsored or participated in by court personnel.

The Court Administrator produces a workers' compensation fee schedule. The document sets the maximum allowable reimbursement for health care services rendered to an injured worker with a compensable injury. By stating maximum amounts, the schedule provides the parties guidance for resolving charge disputes without involving either the Court or the Court Administrator. The schedule was adopted last in December 2009 and became effective January 1, 2010. It is available on the Court's web site at <http://www.owcc.state.ok.us/publications1.htm>, under "Medical".

Information Via the Internet

The Court maintains an Internet web site at <http://www.owcc.state.ok.us> that is specific to workers' compensation in Oklahoma. The site became operational in February 2002 and is updated regularly. It has general information about the Court and includes materials such as a staff directory, brochures and other court publications, insurance information, updates on recent changes, court rules and forms, and links to Oklahoma's workers' compensation laws and to Internet sites of workers' compensation entities in other states. The Court's site also provides e-mail contact directly to the Counselor Department for individual assistance.

Section XIII - Informal Dispute Resolution

Informal Dispute Resolution

Various informal dispute resolution processes implemented by the Court are described below. Each is intended to help provide a fast, cost-effective means of resolving disputes by the parties without the need for a trial. To the extent litigation is avoided, claims related costs like attorney fees and medicolegal costs are minimized.

Mediation

Mediation is the process of resolving disputes with the assistance of a mediator, outside of a formal court proceeding. The purpose of mediation is to identify issues, clarify misunderstandings, explore solutions, and negotiate settlement. It is an alternative to litigation. All workers' compensation issues may be mediated except combined disabilities claims involving the Multiple Injury Trust Fund and claims subject to the dispute resolution procedure of a certified workplace medical plan (managed care organization). Law changes affecting mediation were made in SB1X (2005). Now mediation may be by agreement of the parties, by court order upon request of a party, or on the Court's own motion when determined helpful to resolve the claim. Before 2005, the law required both parties to consent to mediation and to agree upon the mediator before mediation could occur.

Fifty-five mediators are certified by the Court to provide services under the new Court Mediation System (CMS). One application for certification was processed by the Court's Counselor Department in 2009. Court certified mediators serve for five-year terms. Mediators are located in Ada, Ardmore, Edmond, Midwest City, Norman, Oklahoma City, Pauls Valley, Shawnee and Tulsa.

The Court entered 5 orders for mediation in CY 2005 after enactment of SB1X, 124 in CY 2006, 525 in CY 2007, 657 in CY 2008 and 1,286 in CY 2009. Comparatively, during the six-year period before SB1X, only 60 inquiries regarding mediation were processed by the Court's Counselor Department. Mediation orders may affect multiple cases.

Judicial Settlement Conferences

The Legislature authorized informal dispute resolution through settlement conferences conducted by a judge other than the assigned trial judge beginning October 23, 2001. A judicial settlement conference may be requested by a party or may be set by the Court on its own motion. The purpose of the judicial settlement conference is to permit an informal discussion between the parties, attorneys, if any, and the settlement judge on every aspect of the case bearing on its settlement value in an effort to resolve the matter before trial. The conference can come before or after a request for trial. The settlement conference can result in voluntary agreement that fully resolves the claim or disputed issues.

The Court set 2 judicial settlement conferences in calendar year 2009, down from 35 in calendar year 2008.

Prehearing Conferences

Prehearing conferences are informal meetings between the parties and a judge to address a wide variety of issues ranging from determination of death benefits in an admitted claim to questions of jurisdiction. There is no sworn testimony or cross examination of witnesses, and, unless requested, no formal transcript of the meeting. The conference may be used to discuss settlement of the case or issues related to the case, or to determine issues in dispute. It gives the parties a chance to meet in the presence of the judge, to exchange information, to define issues, and to resolve disputes voluntarily or with judicial assistance. A prehearing conference also may be used in the formal hearing context to dispose of procedural matters, including discovery issues, in anticipation of trial.

Use of prehearing conferences increased from 8,663 in 1992 to 40,469 in 2009. To address the volume of these informal conferences, judges docket an average of 23 prehearing conferences daily four days per week. This is in addition to an average of 15 cases set on a daily trial docket Monday through Thursday, and three-judge appellate panel settings on Friday.

Temporary Issue Docket

The temporary issue docket (TID) provides the parties an opportunity to meet informally to resolve medical treatment and temporary disability issues or to schedule a hearing with a judge. Early resolution of these matters can reduce litigation by promoting maximum medical improvement and return to work. In calendar year 2009, the time from filing to TID was 4 weeks, with hearing dates immediately thereafter or at a later time as necessary for discovery.

Administrative Review of Disputed Medical Charges

Two administrative processes were created by the Court to help resolve charge disputes between medical/rehabilitation providers and insurers, without the need for trial.

The Form 18 process permits the Administrator to address conflicting interpretations of the workers' compensation fee schedule. The determinations are made based on written submissions by the parties. Outcomes include voluntary agreement or administrative order allowing or denying all, or a portion of, the disputed charges.

The Form 19 process pertains to all other medical/rehabilitation charge disputes. It may involve a trial before a judge if the parties are unable to voluntarily resolve the controversy. Docket office staff record the disposition of the Form 19 disputes. In calendar year 2009, 536 out of 1,755 cases set for Form 19 meeting were announced "resolved" or resulted in an agreed order. In other words, roughly 31% of all cases set for Form 19 meeting were disposed of by voluntary agreement. An additional 10% (173 of 1,755) were stricken from consideration because the providers elected not to pursue the matter. This election may reflect payment or other satisfactory disposition of the charge dispute outside the Court's processes.

Section XIV - Departmental Activity

Departmental Activity

Counselor Department

The Counselor Department was created in 1994 and previously was known as the Ombudsman Office. The department is the Court's primary information unit and focuses much of its efforts on dispute prevention. Its responsibilities include assisting employers, insurers, health care providers, injured workers and dependents of injured workers, providing educational materials and information on rights, benefits and obligations under the law, answering questions about the workers' compensation system, supporting a toll-free information line, and processing applications to serve as a mediator for the Court's mediation system. In addition, counselors work cooperatively with the Oklahoma Attorney General's Workers' Compensation Fraud Unit, and with the Worker Safety Policy Council, Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education, and Oklahoma Employment Security Commission to provide educational programs on workers' compensation for business and labor interests across the state.

Details about the department's activities are set out more fully in the "Dispute Prevention" section of this Annual Report.

Office of the Court Clerk

The Office of the Court Clerk receives court filings, certifies documents, prepares and transmits records on appeal, accepts appeal bonds, serves as the Court's records custodian, and manages the Court's records retention schedule. In calendar year 2009, the office certified approximately 580 documents from court claims files, processed 48 appeal bonds for appeals to the Oklahoma Supreme Court, and prepared and transmitted 133 records on appeal to the Supreme Court.

Data Processing/Management Information Services Department

The Data Processing/Management Information Services Department is responsible for the computer network, programs, and databases of the Court, including databases related to claims filings since 1989 and workers' compensation insurance coverage information. The department assists other court departments in meeting their goals through the use of technology, maintains the Court's web site and supports the Workers' Compensation Court Information System (WCIS). WCIS is the backbone of the Court's case and system management applications. All aspects of the Court's operations, including the processing of injury, claims and insurance information, docketing, order processing, fee collection, and public access to data on case activity, are supported by WCIS. Additional enhancements to WCIS are planned, subject to budgetary limitations.

Docket Office

The Docket Office docket matters for hearings, notifies parties of hearing dates, and manages administrative dockets designed to resolve certain disputes without the need for trial. In 2009, the office set 72,284 hearings, up from 69,220 in 2008. Hearings set were for both informal and formal dispute resolution proceedings involving a judge.

Statistics on the length between a request for hearing and the actual hearing date are used to gauge how effectively the Court is meeting its responsibility for timely resolution of cases. In 2009, the average time-to-hearing benchmarks were: **temporary issue scheduling dockets**, 4 weeks, with hearing dates immediately thereafter or at a later time as necessary for discovery; **prehearing conferences**, 5 weeks; **permanent partial disability**, 10 weeks; and **three-judge panel appeals**, 11 weeks.

The most dramatic development over time has been a reduction in the amount of time parties must wait for a hearing. The greatest drop in time-to-hearing was for hearings on permanent disability issues. Those issues constitute the largest single category of cases which are resolved by the Court. The time-to-hearing for permanent disability issues dropped from an average of 9 months (36 weeks) in 1992 to an average of 10 weeks in 2009.

Form 3 Processing Department

The Form 3 Processing Department processes initial and amended claims for compensation, and orders entered into by mutual agreement of the parties. The department creates court files, verifies the existence of any insurance coverage for the claim, enters data into the Court's information system (WCIS), and mails information to the parties. In 2009, the department processed 21,168 claims for compensation, including amended claims for compensation.

Insurance

Individual Self-Insured Employers By Major Industrial Division: CY2009	
Manufacturing	69
Services	47
Public Sector	34
Transportation	20
Retail	18
Mining	9
Construction	8
Public Utilities	4
Wholesale	4
Financial, Insurance & Real Estate	3
Farming	3
Total	219

The Insurance Department, with the Court Administrator's supervision, regulates employers which self-insure either as an individual self-insurer or as part of an approved group association. The department also regulates third party administrators, maintains a workers' compensation insurance database for the state covering more than 212,427 employers, and maintains a database of service agents designated by each workers' compensation payor. The department works cooperatively with the Oklahoma Department of Labor

to enforce laws regarding workers' compensation coverage. Employers which fail to secure their workers' compensation obligations are subject to criminal sanctions, and civil penalties imposed by the Commissioner of Labor.

Effective February 1, 2007, insurers writing workers' compensation insurance in Oklahoma were given the option of electing to use the National Council on Compensation Insurance (NCCI) proof of coverage (POC) information system to satisfy certain statutory filing requirements with the Court. The department processed in excess of 300,000 certificates of insurance coverage, cancellations, reinstatements and notices of amended coverage in 2009.

In 2009, the department evaluated 450 applications to self-insure individually or through a group, or serve as third party administrator.

The Court regulated 219 individual self-insured employers in 2009, approximately 32% of which are in the manufacturing sector. Combined, individual self-insured employers covered about 231,900 employees and had a combined gross payroll of over \$9 Billion Dollars.

Self-Insurance Status By Calendar Year: CY2004 - CY2009			
Year	# of Self-Insurers	# of Employees Covered	Gross Payroll
2009	219	231,923	\$9,340,763,758
2008	223	231,563	\$8,027,403,708
2007	220	231,236	\$8,036,874,820
2006	217	220,482	\$8,549,191,380
2005	229	230,141	\$8,017,178,092
2004	228	230,216	\$7,562,103,292

In 2009, eight group self-insurance associations, covering 1,037 member employers, were regulated by the Court. The number of groups has remained constant for at least six years.

Group Self Insurance Association Status by Calendar Year: CY2004 - CY2009			
Year	# of Groups	# of Group Members	Total Standard Premium
2009	8	1,037	\$35,578,093
2008	8	1,036	\$34,269,995
2007	8	1,031	\$33,876,183
2006	8	1,037	\$35,058,286
2005	8	1,046	\$34,640,328
2004	8	1,055	\$31,603,663

Order Processing Department

The Order Processing Department produces orders as directed by the judges and processes them for mailing to the parties. In 2009, the average time for the department to prepare and process orders requested by the judges was 4 days.

Records Department

The Records Department maintains court files, processes the mail and responds to requests for records and information. In calendar year 2009, the Records Department maintained 168,453 case files from 2000 to present on premises. Court files from 1990 through 1999 are archived at the Department of Libraries.

Section XV - Fiscal Year Expenditures

Fiscal Year Expenditures: 7/1/08 - 6/30/09

Personal Services (Salaries and Benefits, and Professional Services).....	\$6,050,000
Travel.....	\$121,000
Equipment.....	\$96,000
Other Operating Expenses	\$594,000
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES.....	\$6,861,000

Section XVI - Legislative Activity

Legislative Activity

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Disclaimer: The purpose of this section is to provide a summary of legislative activity during the 1st Regular Session of the 52nd Oklahoma Legislature (2009) relevant to the workers' compensation system. It is for informational purposes only and does not represent the views of the Workers' Compensation Court, its judges or Court Administrator. It is not intended to replace any official source. Do not rely solely on this information if it might affect your legal rights. Please refer to the printed version of the appropriate official publication or contact legal counsel of your choice. To see the full text of the enacted legislation, go to the "Enrolled Legislation" link on the "Executive Legislative" page on the Secretary of State's web site at: <http://www.sos.state.ok.us>.

Affidavit of Exempt Status

SB1234 modifies the effect of execution of an affidavit of exempt status to include a rebuttable presumption that an individual or company possessing the affidavit is in compliance and therefore not responsible for workers' compensation claims made by the executor of the affidavit. Requires the affidavit to be notarized. The measure became effective November 1, 2009. Amends 36 O.S., §924.4.

Benefit Computation

SB901 requires the state's average weekly wage, used to establish maximum benefits under the Workers' Compensation Act, to be determined annually in lieu of every 3 years. The measure became effective November 1, 2009. Amends 85 O.S., §22(6).

CompSource Oklahoma

- **SB318** requires CompSource Oklahoma to pay an annual market equalization assessment of 2.25% to the State Treasurer to the credit of the General Revenue Fund. The assessment is based on direct written premiums and certain other items reported annually to the State Treasurer. This provision became effective January 1, 2010. Codifies new law at 85 O.S., §154.
- **HB1131** places certain CompSource Oklahoma personnel in the unclassified service. The measure became effective July 1, 2009. Amends 74 O.S., §840-5.10.
- **HB1755** authorizes CompSource Oklahoma to develop a pilot program intended to capture cost savings and improve services through exemption from certain purchasing, budget and information systems provisions applicable to state agencies. The measure became effective August 25, 2009. Amends various sections in Titles 61, 62 and 74, O.S.

- **HB1963** creates a task force to study privatization of CompSource Oklahoma by December 31, 2010. The measure became effective May 22, 2009. Codifies new law at 85 O.S., §131c. Pursuant to the legislation, the Task Force on Privatization of CompSource Oklahoma met from August through November 2009 and issued its final report on December 1, 2009. To access the report, go to http://www.okhouse.gov/Information/Info_Publications.aspx.

Exemption From the Workers' Compensation Act

HB1003 makes the workers' compensation exemption for family-owned businesses with five or fewer employees, all of whom are related by blood or marriage to the employer, applicable to artificial employers. The measure became effective November 1, 2009. Amends 85 O.S., §2.6.

Insurance Verification

SB306 requires entities that issue building permits to verify that a contractor has workers' compensation coverage or an affidavit of exempt status, and general liability insurance, before issuance of a residential building permit. The measure became effective November 1, 2009. Codifies new law at 11 O.S., §43-109.2.

Senate Confirmation of Judicial Appointments

HJR1041 is a legislative referendum for a vote by the people to require Senate approval of a person chosen by the Governor to fill a position on the Workers' Compensation Court. The measure will be placed on the general election ballot in November 2010.

Worker Safety Policy Council

HB1032 repeals 40 O.S., §418.2 which relates to the Worker Safety Policy Council. The repealer became effective August 25, 2009.

House Interim Study Proposals

Three House interim study proposals were combined for consideration. The study requests were heard by the House Economic Development and Financial Services Committee on October 6, 2009 in anticipation of the 2010 legislative session.

- **House Interim Study Proposal 09-009** concerns a workers' compensation 24-hour pilot insurance program.
- **House Interim Study Proposal 09-086** involves consideration of establishing an administrative workers' compensation system.
- **House Interim Study Proposal 09-122** pertains to the workers' compensation court system, and, in particular, review of the distribution of cases between the Workers' Compensation Court's Oklahoma City and Tulsa locations and trends related to awards.

**Section XVII - Boards, Committees
and Councils**

Boards, Committees and Councils

Individual Self-Insured Guaranty Fund Board 85 O.S., Section 66.1

The Individual Self-Insured Guaranty Fund Board is composed of from three to nine members appointed by the Court Administrator. Each member is from an employer approved by the Administrator as an own-risk employer. The Board manages the Individual Self-Insured Guaranty Fund (Fund). The Fund is used to pay the workers' compensation obligations of an approved own-risk employer that is unable to pay a workers' compensation award. Deposits to the Fund are from a tax assessed against each own-risk employer at the rate of one percent (1%) of the total compensation for permanent partial disability awards paid by the employer. The tax is assessed until the Fund contains One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000). The tax was suspended by the Court Administrator effective April 2, 2007 and will be reinstated as provided by law when the Fund balance reaches Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000).

Individual Self-Insured Guaranty Fund Board members serving in 2009:

Joseph L. McCormick, IV, Chairman
ONEOK
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Tammy Steichen Minter
Advance Food Company
Enid, Oklahoma

Charlotte Smith
St. Francis Hospital
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Group Self-Insurance Association Guaranty Fund Board 85 O.S., Section 66.2

The Group Self-Insurance Association Guaranty Fund Board is composed of from three to nine members appointed by the Court Administrator. Each member is the administrator of a group self-insurance association approved by the Administrator to self-insure. The Board manages the Group Self-Insurance Association Guaranty Fund (Fund). The Fund is used to pay the workers' compensation obligations of an approved association that is unable to pay a workers' compensation award. Deposits to the Fund are from a tax assessed against each association at the rate of one percent (1%) of the total compensation for permanent partial disability awards paid by the association. The tax is assessed until the Fund contains One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000). The tax was suspended by the Court Administrator effective September 6, 1996 and will be reinstated as provided by law when the Fund balance reaches Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000).

Group Self-Insurance Association Guaranty Fund Board members serving in 2009:

Cindy Compton
Harrah, Oklahoma

Chris Sturm
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Jim Smelser
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Larry Watkins
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Physician Advisory Committee 85 O.S., Section 201.1

The Physician Advisory Committee was created by the Legislature in 1993 to assist the Court and Court Administrator by providing information on various medical related matters, including utilization review, abusive practices by health care providers, methods for evaluating permanent impairment, treatment guidelines and utilization controls. The committee is composed of nine members, with three members each being appointed by the Governor, President Pro-Tempore of the Senate, and Speaker of the House of Representatives. The appointments are from designated medical specialties and congressional districts. The committee is assisted by court staff. The committee met four times and held one public hearing during the calendar year. Annual reports of the committee are available from the Court.

Physician Advisory Committee members serving in 2009:

Leroy E. Young, D.O., Chairman
Oklahoma City

Duane G. Koehler, D.O.
Miami, Oklahoma

Robert L. Remondino, M.D., Vice Chair
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Scott A. Mitchell, D.O.
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Reed Burk, D.P.M.
Ponca City, Oklahoma

John L. Munneke, M.D.
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Jeff A. Fox, M.D.
Tulsa, Oklahoma

C. Keith Muse, D.C.
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

William R. Gillock, D.O.
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Advisory Council on Workers' Compensation 85 O.S., Section 112

The Advisory Council on Workers' Compensation was created by the Legislature in 1990 to analyze and review the workers' compensation system, reports of the Court Administrator, and workers' compensation trends. The Council may recommend improvements and proper responses to developing trends, and consult with the Court on oversight of independent medical examiners.

The Council is composed of nine members, with three members each being appointed by the Governor, President Pro-Tempore of the Senate, and Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Court's Presiding Judge and Administrator serve as ex-officio nonvoting members. The Governor's appointees represent employers, one of whom must be from a list of nominees provided by the predominant statewide broad-based business organization. The President Pro Tempore's appointees are attorneys representing the legal profession in this state, one of whom practices primarily in the area of defense of workers' compensation claims. The Speaker's appointees represent employees, one of whom shall be from a list of nominees provided by the most representative labor organization in the state. The Council is assisted by Workers' Compensation Court staff and met four times during the calendar year.

Advisory Council on Workers' Compensation members serving in 2009:

Blake Virgin, Chairman
Norman, Oklahoma
Governor

Ellen C. Edwards
Tulsa, Oklahoma
Replacing Bob Burke
President Pro Tempore of the Senate

Jim Curry, Vice Chairman
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Speaker of the House

Howard Klubeck
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Governor

Bob Burke
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
President Pro Tempore of the Senate

Philip Redwine
Norman, Oklahoma
President Pro Tempore of the Senate

Michael Carter
Norman, Oklahoma
President Pro Tempore of the Senate

Dan Simmons
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Governor

T. Shane Curtin
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Replacing Philip Redwine
President Pro Tempore of the Senate

Robert G. Zapffe
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Speaker of the House

Sterling Zearley
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Speaker of the House

Kent Eldridge, Presiding Judge
Ex-officio Nonvoting Member

Marcia Davis, Court Administrator
Ex-officio Nonvoting Member

***Worker Safety Policy Council
40 O.S., Section 418.2 (repealed effective 8/25/09)***

The Worker Safety Policy Council was created by the Legislature in 1993 to study and formulate reforms for worker safety that could result in lower work-related injuries and in lower workers' compensation costs for business. The Council was terminated effective August 25, 2009 pursuant to HB 1032 (2009). Historical information about the Council, including Council membership and prior annual reports, may be obtained from the Oklahoma Department of Labor, 4001 N. Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105, or by telephone at 405-528-1500.

Section XVIII - Miscellaneous

History of Judicial Appointments Oklahoma Workers' Compensation Court

Year	Judge's Name	Position	Duration of Term ¹	Governor Appointing
1955	Marx Childers	Chairman	See 85 O.S. Supp. 1955, §69.1	Murray
	D.H. Cotten	Judge		Murray
	Hubert Hargrave	Judge		Murray
	Mildred Brooks Fitch	Judge		Murray
	Jess B. Harper	Judge		Murray
1956	Same as 1955			
1957	Marx Childers	Chairman	See 85 O.S. Supp. 1955, §69.1	
	D.H. Cotten	Judge		
	Hubert Hargrave	Judge		
	Mildred Brooks Fitch	Judge		
	Jean R. Reed	Judge		1957 - 1963
1958	Same as 1957			
1959	Marx Childers	Chairman	See 85 O.S. Supp. 1955, §69.1	
	D.H. Cotten	Judge		
	Hubert Hargrave	Judge		
	Mildred Brooks Fitch	Judge		
	Jean R. Reed	Judge		
1960	Harley Venters	Presiding Judge	1960 - 1961	Edmondson
	Marx Childers	Judge		
	D.H. Cotten	Judge		
	Jean R. Reed	Judge		
	Hubert Hargrave	Judge		
1961	Clint G. Livingston	Presiding Judge	1961 - 1962	Edmondson
	Jean R. Reed	Judge	1961 - 1963	Edmondson
	Toby Morris	Judge		
	J. Clark Russell	Judge		
	Silas C. Wolf	Judge		
1962	Jim Ed Douglas	Presiding Judge	1962 - 1963	Edmondson
	Jean R. Reed	Judge		
	Toby Morris	Judge		
	J. Clark Russell	Judge		
	Silas C. Wolf	Judge		

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1963	Harry V. Rouse	Presiding Judge	1963 - 1965	Bellmon
	J. Clark Russell	Judge		
	Silas C. Wolf	Judge	1963 - 1969	Bellmon
	A.R. Swank, Jr.	Judge		
	Keith Cooper	Judge		
1964	Same as 1963			
1965	A.R. Swank, Jr.	Presiding Judge	1965 - 1971	Bellmon - reappointment
	J. Clark Russell	Judge		
	Silas C. Wolf	Judge		
	Keith Cooper	Judge		
	A.L. Voth	Judge	1965 - 1971	Bellmon
1966	Same as 1965			
1967	A.R. Swank, Jr.	Presiding Judge	1967 - 1973	Bartlett - reappointment
	Silas C. Wolf	Judge		
	Keith Cooper	Judge		
	A.L. Voth	Judge		
	Bruce Evans	Judge	1967 - 1973	Bartlett
1968	Same as 1967			
1969	A.R. Swank, Jr.	Presiding Judge	1969 - 1975	Bartlett - reappointment
	Silas C. Wolf	Judge		
	Keith Cooper	Judge		
	A.L. Voth	Judge		
	Bruce Evans	Judge		
1970	Same as 1969			
1971	Silas C. Wolf	Presiding Judge	1971 - 1977	Hall - reappointment
	A.R. Swank, Jr.	Judge		
	Keith Cooper	Judge		
	A.L. Voth	Judge	1971 - 1977	Hall - reappointment
	Bruce Evans	Judge		
1972	Same as 1971			
1973	Silas C. Wolf	Presiding Judge	1973 - 1979	Hall
	A.R. Swank, Jr.	Judge		
	A.L. Voth	Judge		
	Yvonne Sparger	Judge		
	Thomas Gudgel, Jr.	Judge		

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1974	Same as 1973			
1975	Silas C. Wolf	Presiding Judge	1975 - 1981	Boren
	A.L. Voth	Judge		
	Yvonne Sparger	Judge		
	Thomas Gudgel, Jr.	Judge		
	James Fullerton	Judge		
1976	Same as 1975			
1977	Marian P. Opala	Presiding Judge	1977 - 1983	Boren
	Yvonne Sparger	Judge	1977 - 1978	Boren
	James Fullerton	Judge		
	Charles L. Cashion	Judge		
	Chris Sturm	Judge		
1978	Chris Sturm	Presiding Judge (6)	1978 - 1984	Boren - reappointment
	Marian P. Opala	Position 1		
	Charles L. Cashion	Position 2		
	Mary E. Cox	Position 3		
	Patrick C. Ryan	Position 4		
	James Fullerton	Position 5		
	Yvonne Sparger	Position 7		
1979	Patrick C. Ryan	Presiding Judge (4)	1979 - 1984	Nigh
	Marian Opala	Position 1		
	Bill V. Cross	Position 1		
	Charles L. Cashion	Position 2		
	Mary E. Cox	Position 3	1979 - 1980	Nigh
	James Fullerton	Position 5		
	Chris Sturm	Position 6		
	Dick Lynn	Position 7	1979 - 1980	Nigh
1980	Patrick C. Ryan	Presiding Judge (4)	1980 - 1986	Nigh - reappointment
	Bill V. Cross	Position 1		
	Charles L. Cashion	Position 2		
	Mary E. Cox	Position 3		
	James Fullerton	Position 5		
	Chris Sturm	Position 6		
	Dick Lynn	Position 7		

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1981	Patrick C. Ryan	Presiding Judge (4)		
	Bill V. Cross	Position 1		
	Charles L. Cashion	Position 2		
	Mary E. Cox	Position 3		
	Larry Brawner	Position 5	1981 - 1982	Nigh
	Victor R. Seagle	Position 6	1981 - 1986	Nigh
	Dick Lynn	Position 7		
1982	Patrick C. Ryan	Presiding Judge (4)	1982 - 1988	Nigh - reappointment
	Bill V. Cross	Position 1		
	Charles L. Cashion	Position 2		
	Mary E. Cox	Position 3		
	Larry Brawner	Position 5		
	G. Dan Rambo	Position 5	1982 - 1984	Nigh
	Victor R. Seagle	Position 6		
	Dick Lynn	Position 7		
Clint G. Livingston	Position 8	1982 - 1988	Nigh	
1983	Patrick C. Ryan	Presiding Judge (4)		
	Bill V. Cross	Position 1		
	Charles L. Cashion	Position 2		
	Mary E. Cox	Position 3		
	G. Dan Rambo	Position 5		
	Victor R. Seagle	Position 6		
	Dick Lynn	Position 7		
	Clint G. Livingston	Position 8		
1984	Charles L. Cashion	Presiding Judge (2)	1984 - 1990	Nigh - reappointment
	Bill V. Cross	Position 1	1984 - 1990	Nigh - reappointment
	Gary Sleeper	Position 3	1984 - 1988	Nigh
	Patrick C. Ryan	Position 4		
	Jacque J. Brawner	Position 5	1984 - 1988	Nigh
	Victor R. Seagle	Position 6		
	Dick Lynn	Position 7		
	Clint G. Livingston	Position 8		
1985	Charles L. Cashion	Presiding Judge (2)		
	Bill V. Cross	Position 1		
	Gary Sleeper	Position 3		
	Patricia Demps	Position 4	1985 - 1986	Nigh
	Jacque J. Brawner	Position 5		
	Victor R. Seagle	Position 6		
	Dick Lynn	Position 7		
	Clint G. Livingston	Position 8		
	Kay K. Kennedy	Position 9	1985 - 1988	Nigh

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1986	Charles L. Cashion	Presiding Judge (2)		
	Bill V. Cross	Position 1		
	Gary Sleeper	Position 3		
	Patricia Demps	Position 4		
	J. Michael Mancillas	Position 4	1986 - 1988	Nigh
	Jacque J. Brawner	Position 5		
	Victor R. Seagle	Position 6	1986 - 1992	Nigh - reappointment
	Dick Lynn	Position 7	1986 - 1992	Nigh - reappointment
	Clint G. Livingston	Position 8		
Kay K. Kennedy	Position 9			
1987	Charles L. Cashion	Presiding Judge (2)		
	Bill V. Cross	Position 1		
	Gary Sleeper	Position 3		
	J. Michael Mancillas	Position 4		
	Jacque J. Brawner	Position 5		
	Victor R. Seagle	Position 6		
	Dick Lynn	Position 7		
	Clint G. Livingston	Position 8		
	Kay K. Kennedy	Position 9		
1988	Charles L. Cashion	Presiding Judge (2)		
	Bill V. Cross	Position 1		
	Sam Townley	Position 3	1988 - 1990	Bellmon
	Ben P. Choate, Jr.	Position 4	1988 - 1994	Bellmon
	Jerry L. Salyer	Position 5	1988 - 1994	Bellmon
	Victor R. Seagle	Position 6		
	Dick Lynn	Position 7		
	Noma D. Gurich	Position 8	1988 - 1994	Bellmon
	Ozella M. Willis	Position 9	1988 - 1994	Bellmon
1989	Noma D. Gurich	Presiding Judge (8)		
	Bill V. Cross	Position 1		
	Charles L. Cashion	Position 2		
	Louis G. Buchanan	Position 2	1989 - 1990	Bellmon
	Sam Townley	Position 3		
	Ben P. Choate, Jr.	Position 4		
	Jerry L. Salyer	Position 5		
	Victor R. Seagle	Position 6		
	Dick Lynn	Position 7		
Ozella M. Willis	Position 9			

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Year	Judge's Name	Position	Duration of Term ¹	Governor Appointing
1990	Noma D. Gurich	Presiding Judge (8)		
	Kimberly E. West	Position 1	1990 - 1996	Bellmon
	Louis G. Buchanan	Position 2	1990 - 1996	Bellmon - reappointment
	Terry A. Pendell	Position 3	1990 - 1996	Bellmon
	Ben P. Choate, Jr.	Position 4		
	Jerry L. Salyer	Position 5		
	Victor R. Seagle	Position 6		
	Dick Lynn	Position 7		
	Ozella M. Willis	Position 9		
1991	Noma D. Gurich	Presiding Judge (8)		
	Kimberly E. West	Position 1		
	Louis G. Buchanan	Position 2		
	Terry A. Pendell	Position 3		
	Ben P. Choate, Jr.	Position 4		
	Jerry L. Salyer	Position 5		
	Victor R. Seagle	Position 6		
	James S. Porter	Position 6	1991 - 1992	Walters
	Dick Lynn	Position 7		
Ozella M. Willis	Position 9			
1992	Noma D. Gurich	Presiding Judge (8)		
	Kimberly E. West	Position 1		
	Louis G. Buchanan	Position 2		
	Terry A. Pendell	Position 3		
	Ben P. Choate, Jr.	Position 4		
	Jerry L. Salyer	Position 5		
	James S. Porter	Position 6	1992 - 1998	Walters - reappointment
	Dick Lynn	Position 7	1992 - 1998	Walters - reappointment
	Ozella M. Willis	Position 9		
1993	Jerry L. Salyer	Presiding Judge (5)		
	Kimberly E. West	Position 1		
	Louis G. Buchanan	Position 2		
	Terry A. Pendell	Position 3		
	Ben P. Choate, Jr.	Position 4		
	James S. Porter	Position 6		
	Dick Lynn	Position 7		
	Noma D. Gurich	Position 8		
	Ozella M. Willis	Position 9		

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Year	Judge's Name	Position	Duration of Term ¹	Governor Appointing		
1994	Jerry L. Salyer	Presiding Judge (5)	1994 - 2000	Walters - reappointment		
	Kimberly E. West	Position 1				
	Louis G. Buchanan	Position 2				
	Terry A. Pendell	Position 3				
	Ben P. Choate, Jr.	Position 4				
	Susan Witt Conyers	Position 4	1994 - 2000		Walters	
	James S. Porter	Position 6				
	Dick Lynn	Position 7				
	Noma D. Gurich	Position 8	1994 - 2000		Walters - reappointment	
	Ozella M. Willis	Position 9	1994 - 2000		Walters - reappointment	
Mary A. Black	Position 10	1994 - 1996	Walters			
1995	Susan Witt Conyers	Presiding Judge (4)				
	Kimberly E. West	Position 1				
	Louis G. Buchanan	Position 2				
	Terry A. Pendell	Position 3				
	Jerry L. Salyer	Position 5				
	James S. Porter	Position 6				
	Dick Lynn	Position 7				
	Noma D. Gurich	Position 8				
	Ozella M. Willis	Position 9				
Mary A. Black	Position 10					
1996	Susan Witt Conyers	Presiding Judge (4)				
	Kimberly E. West	Position 1				
	Ellen C. Edwards	Position 1			1996 - 2002	Keating
	Louis G. Buchanan	Position 2				
	Richard L. Blanchard	Position 2			1996 - 2002	Keating
	Terry A. Pendell	Position 3				
	Richard G. Mason	Position 3			1996 - 2002	Keating
	Jerry L. Salyer	Position 5				
	James S. Porter	Position 6				
	Dick Lynn	Position 7				
	Jim D. Filosa	Position 7			1996 - 1998	Keating
	Noma D. Gurich	Position 8				
	Ozella M. Willis	Position 9				
	Mary A. Black	Position 10				
Kenton W. Fulton	Position 10	1996 - 2002	Keating			

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Year	Judge's Name	Position	Duration of Term ¹	Governor Appointing
1997	Richard G. Mason	Presiding Judge (3)		
	Ellen C. Edwards	Position 1		
	Richard L. Blanchard	Position 2		
	Susan W. Conyers	Position 4		
	Jerry L. Salyer	Position 5		
	James S. Porter	Position 6		
	Jim D. Filosa	Position 7		
	Noma D. Gurich	Position 8		
	Ozella M. Willis	Position 9		
	Kenton W. Fulton	Position 10		
1998	Richard G. Mason	Presiding Judge (3)		
	Ellen C. Edwards	Position 1		
	Richard L. Blanchard	Position 2		
	Susan W. Conyers	Position 4		
	Jerry L. Salyer	Position 5		
	James S. Porter	Position 6		
	D. Craig Johnston	Position 6	1998 - 2004	Keating
	Jim D. Filosa	Position 7	1998 - 2004	Keating - reappointment
	Noma D. Gurich	Position 8		
	Gene Prigmore	Position 8	1998 - 2000	Keating
	Ozella M. Willis	Position 9		
Kenton W. Fulton	Position 10			
1999	Kenton W. Fulton	Presiding Judge (10)		
	Ellen C. Edwards	Position 1		
	Richard L. Blanchard	Position 2		
	Richard G. Mason	Position 3		
	Susan W. Conyers	Position 4		
	Jerry L. Salyer	Position 5		
	D. Craig Johnston	Position 6		
	Jim D. Filosa	Position 7		
	Gene Prigmore	Position 8		
	Ozella M. Willis	Position 9		
2000	Kenton W. Fulton	Presiding Judge (10)		
	Ellen C. Edwards	Position 1		
	Richard L. Blanchard	Position 2		
	Richard G. Mason	Position 3		
	Susan W. Conyers	Position 4	2000 - 2006	Keating - reappointment
	Jerry L. Salyer	Position 5	2000 - 2006	Keating - reappointment
	D. Craig Johnston	Position 6		
	Jim D. Filosa	Position 7		
	Gene Prigmore	Position 8	2000 - 2006	Keating - reappointment
	Ozella M. Willis	Position 9		
Cherri Farrar	Position 9	2000 - 2006	Keating	

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Year	Judge's Name	Position	Duration of Term ¹	Governor Appointing
2001	Kenton W. Fulton	Presiding Judge (10)		
	Ellen C. Edwards	Position 1		
	Richard L. Blanchard	Position 2		
	Richard G. Mason	Position 3		
	Susan W. Conyers	Position 4		
	Jerry L. Salyer	Position 5		
	D. Craig Johnston	Position 6		
	Jim D. Filosa	Position 7		
	Gene Prigmore	Position 8		
	Cherri Farrar	Position 9		
2002	Kenton W. Fulton	Presiding Judge (10)	2002 - 2008	Keating - reappointment
	Ellen C. Edwards	Position 1	2002 - 2008	Keating - reappointment
	Richard L. Blanchard	Position 2	2002 - 2008	Keating - reappointment
	Richard G. Mason	Position 3	2002 - 2008	Keating - reappointment
	Susan W. Conyers	Position 4		
	Jerry L. Salyer	Position 5		
	D. Craig Johnston	Position 6		
	Jim D. Filosa	Position 7		
	Gene Prigmore	Position 8		
	Cherri Farrar	Position 9		
2003	Richard L. Blanchard	Presiding Judge (2)		
	Ellen C. Edwards	Position 1		
	Richard G. Mason	Position 3		
	Susan W. Conyers	Position 4		
	Jerry L. Salyer	Position 5		
	D. Craig Johnston	Position 6		
	Jim D. Filosa	Position 7		
	Gene Prigmore	Position 8		
	Cherri Farrar	Position 9		
	Kenton W. Fulton	Position 10		
2004	Richard L. Blanchard	Presiding Judge (2)		
	Ellen C. Edwards	Position 1		
	Richard G. Mason	Position 3		
	Susan W. Conyers	Position 4		
	Jerry L. Salyer	Position 5		
	D. Craig Johnston	Position 6		
	Mary A. Black	Position 6	2004 - 2010	Henry
	Jim D. Filosa	Position 7		
	Tom Leonard	Position 7	2004 - 2010	Henry
	Gene Prigmore	Position 8		
Cherri Farrar	Position 9			
Kenton W. Fulton	Position 10			

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2005	Gene Prigmore	Presiding Judge (8)		
	Ellen C. Edwards	Position 1		
	Richard L. Blanchard	Position 2		
	Richard G. Mason	Position 3		
	Susan W. Conyers	Position 4		
	Jerry L. Salyer	Position 5		
	Mary A. Black	Position 6		
	Tom Leonard	Position 7		
	Cherri Farrar	Position 9		
	Kenton W. Fulton	Position 10		
2006	Gene Prigmore	Presiding Judge (8)	2006 - 2012	Henry - reappointment
	Ellen C. Edwards	Position 1		
	Richard L. Blanchard	Position 2		
	Richard G. Mason	Position 3	1996 - 2006	
	Michael J. Harkey	Position 3	2006 - 2008	Henry
	Susan W. Conyers	Position 4	1994 - 2006	
	Kent Eldridge	Position 4	2006 - 2012	Henry
	Jerry L. Salyer	Position 5	1988 - 2006	
	John M. McCormick	Position 5	2006 - 2012	Henry
	Mary A. Black	Position 6		
	Tom Leonard	Position 7		
	Cherri Farrar	Position 9	2006 - 2012	Henry - reappointment
Kenton W. Fulton	Position 10			
2007	Mary A. Black	Presiding Judge (6)		
	Ellen C. Edwards	Position 1		
	Richard L. Blanchard	Position 2		
	Michael J. Harkey	Position 3		
	Kent Eldridge	Position 4		
	John M. McCormick	Position 5		
	Tom Leonard	Position 7		
	Gene Prigmore	Position 8		
	Cherri Farrar	Position 9		
	Kenton W. Fulton	Position 10		

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2008	Mary A. Black	Presiding Judge (6)		
	Ellen C. Edwards	Position 1	1996 - 2008	
	William R. Foster, Jr.	Position 1	2008 - 2014	Henry
	Richard L. Blanchard	Position 2	1996 - 2008	
	Bob Lake Grove	Position 2	2008 - 2014	Henry
	Michael J. Harkey	Position 3	2008 - 2014	Henry - reappointment
	Kent Eldridge	Position 4		
	John M. McCormick	Position 5		
	Tom Leonard	Position 7		
	Gene Prigmore	Position 8		
	Cherri Farrar	Position 9		
	Kenton W. Fulton	Position 10	1996 - 2008	
Eric W. Quandt	Position 10	2008 - 2014	Henry	
2009	Kent Eldridge	Presiding Judge (4)		
	William R. Foster, Jr.	Position 1		
	Bob Lake Grove	Position 2		
	Michael J. Harkey	Position 3		
	John M. McCormick	Position 5		
	Mary A. Black	Position 6		
	Tom Leonard	Position 7		
	Gene Prigmore	Position 8		
	Cherri Farrar	Position 9		
	Eric W. Quandt	Position 10		

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