

MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING — PORTFOLIO — STAFF —
WORKERS' COMPENSATION

1414. Mr Z.R.F. Kirkup to the minister representing the Minister for Education and Training:

For each Department and Agency under the Minister's control, including the Ministerial office as at 21 June 2017, how many employees, both permanent and non-permanent, are currently on workers compensation as a result of a workplace injury?

Mr P. Papalia replied:

Ministerial Office

Nil.

Department of Education

Information for this answer was provided by RiskCover.

Agency	Active workers' compensation claims
Department of Education	1,366
Country High School Hostels Authority	6
Department of Education Services	1
School Curriculum and Standards Authority	0
Total	1,373

An active workers' compensation claim means RiskCover has accepted the claim and:

- (1) the injured worker is currently absent from work and receiving weekly payments; or
- (2) they have since returned to work and the claim remains open due to ongoing medical treatment; or
- (3) the employee did not take time off but remains at work; however compensation is paid for medical expenses; or
- (4) some employees may be on a graduated return to work program, which means the person could be working part-time and therefore receiving partial weekly workers' compensation payments for the days he or she is not at work.

Claims can remain open for many years depending on the nature of the injury and need for ongoing medical treatment.

Of the 1,366 Department of Education claims, 210 employees were receiving some level of weekly payments as a result of their injury.

Department of Training and Workforce Development

Nil.

North Metropolitan TAFE

Nil.

South Metropolitan TAFE

25

North Regional TAFE

Four.

Central Regional TAFE

Six.

South Regional TAFE

Eight.

Building Construction Industry Training Fund

Nil.