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Kia ora Jan

**Your Official Information Act request, reference: GOV-020416**

Thank you for your email of 5 September 2022, asking for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*Could you please provide the number of covered claims for WRGPI of carpal tunnel in the occupation of a heavy truck driver for the period from 2010 to the present date*

**Between 1 January 2010 and 31 August 2022, 19 new claims were lodged.**

We have extracted data for accepted work-related gradual process injuries (WRGPI) using the levy classification unit 'CU 61100 - Road freight transport', as this is the closest category group to 'heavy truck drivers' that we can extract data for. Additionally, please refer to the following caveats about the data provided:

- Accredited employer claims have been excluded.
- Claims have been counted by the date that they were lodged with ACC. This can be immediately after the injury occurred or at a later date.
- Claims may have multiple injuries. Claims in this dataset have been counted where carpal tunnel is an accepted primary injury or a secondary injury.
- The data was extracted on 16 September 2022 and may differ if extracted again at a later date.
- We have been made aware that there is an issue with some ACC data for March 2022. We are not aware of the full extent of this issue, however, please note that claim counts are subject to change.

**If you have any questions about this response, please get in touch**

You can email me at [GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz](mailto:GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz).

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