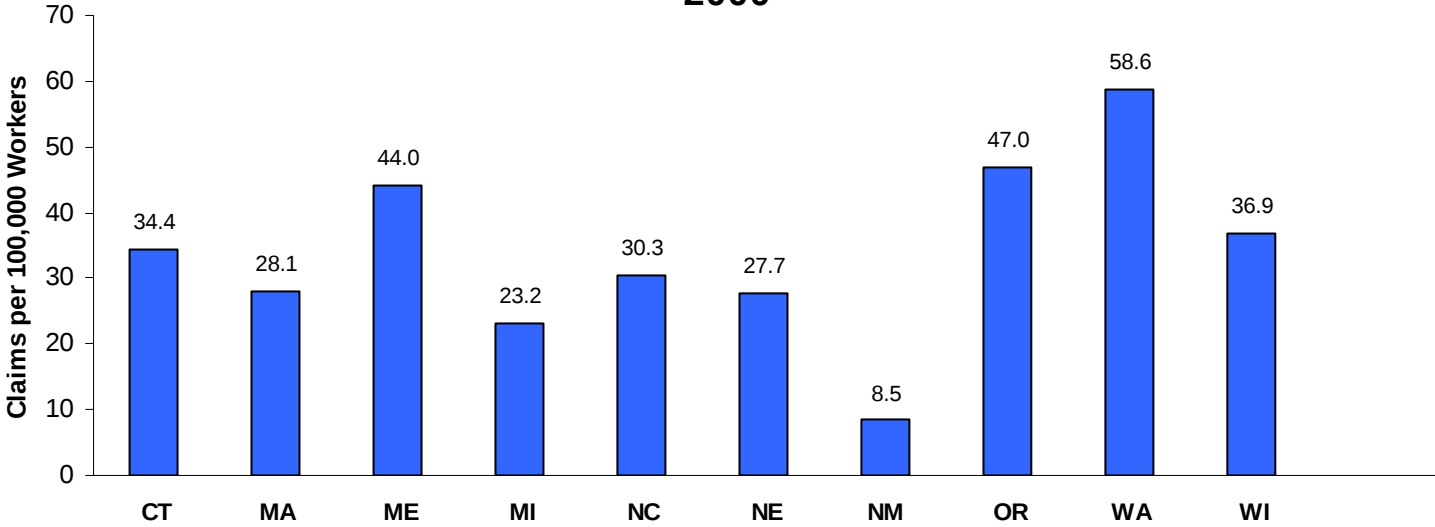


**Table 8. Number of Lost Work Time Claims for Carpal Tunnel Syndrome Cases identified in Workers' Compensation Systems by State, 2000**

|                                 | CA  | CT  | MA  | ME  | MI <sup>1</sup> | NC    | NE  | NJ  | NM | NY  | OR  | WA    | WI  |
|---------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----------------|-------|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|-------|-----|
| Cases of Carpal Tunnel Syndrome | N/A | 568 | 895 | 301 | 1,024           | 1,104 | 236 | N/A | 55 | N/A | 730 | 1,544 | 976 |

<sup>1</sup> Variable "Injury Type" not available, so could not limit to cases involving overexertion.  
Differences exist among states with respect to how Carpal Tunnel Syndrome is classified in state workers' compensation systems. See Technical Notes below.  
N/A: Not available

**Figure 8. Rate of Lost Work Time Claims for Carpal Tunnel Syndrome Cases identified in State Workers' Compensation Systems by State, 2000**



National workers' compensation claims data do not exist.

**Data Sources:** Numbers of CTS cases: State workers' compensation systems. Numbers of workers covered by workers' compensation used to calculate rates: [National Academy of Social Insurance](#)

**Technical Notes (see below)**

[Technical Notes](#)

The table below illustrates state variations in the components used to generate data for this indicator.

| STATE | Claims Included                     | Waiting Period for Time Loss Compensation | Data Systems Definition for Claim Identification <sup>2</sup>                                                                                                   |
|-------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| CT    | Time Loss Claims Filed <sup>1</sup> | 3 Days                                    | OIICS Nature of Injury Code = 1241 (Carpal Tunnel Syndrome)                                                                                                     |
| MA    | Time Loss Claims Filed              | 5 Days                                    | Unique Massachusetts Nature of Injury Code (N=265) for Carpal Tunnel Syndrome (added to the ANSI Z-16.2 structure)                                              |
| ME    | Time Loss Claims Filed              | 7 Days                                    | OIICS Nature of Injury Code = 1241 (Carpal Tunnel Syndrome)                                                                                                     |
| MI    | Time Loss Claims Filed              | 7 Days                                    | ANSI Z-16.2 Nature of Injury Code = 562 (Carpal Tunnel Syndrome) and Body Part Code = 320 (Wrist) <sup>3</sup>                                                  |
| NC    | Time Loss Claims Filed              | 7 Days                                    | IAIABC Nature of Injury Code = 78 (Carpal Tunnel Syndrome)                                                                                                      |
| NE    | Time Loss Claims Filed              | 7 Days                                    | IAIABC Nature of Injury Code = 78 (Carpal Tunnel Syndrome)                                                                                                      |
| NM    | Time Loss Claims Filed              | 7 Days                                    | BLS Supplemental Data System Nature of Injury Code = 265 (Carpal Tunnel Syndrome) and Type of Injury Code = 12* (Overexertion) and Body Part Code = 320 (Wrist) |
| OR    | Time Loss Claims Accepted           | 3 Days                                    | OIICS Nature Code = 1241 (Carpal Tunnel Syndrome) and Event or Exposure Code = 12* (Overexertion) and Body Part Code = 32 (Wrist)                               |
| WA    | Time Loss Claims Accepted           | 3 Days                                    | ANSI Z-16.2 Nature of Injury Code = 562 (Carpal Tunnel Syndrome) and Type of Injury Code = 12* (Overexertion) and Body Part Code = 320 (Wrist)                  |
| WI    | Time Loss Claims Filed              | 3 Days                                    | IAIABC Nature of Injury Code = 78 (Carpal Tunnel Syndrome)                                                                                                      |

<sup>1</sup> In all states, some filed claims are rejected.

<sup>2</sup> OIICS: Occupational Injury and Illness Classification System

ANSI: American National Standards Institute

IAIABC: International Association of Industrial Accident Boards and Commissions

<sup>3</sup> Variable "Injury Type" not available, so could not limit to cases involving overexertion.