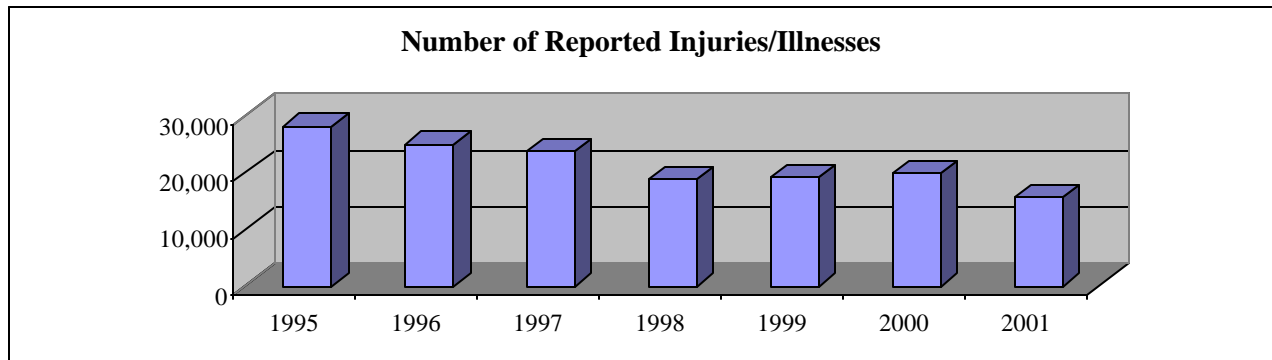


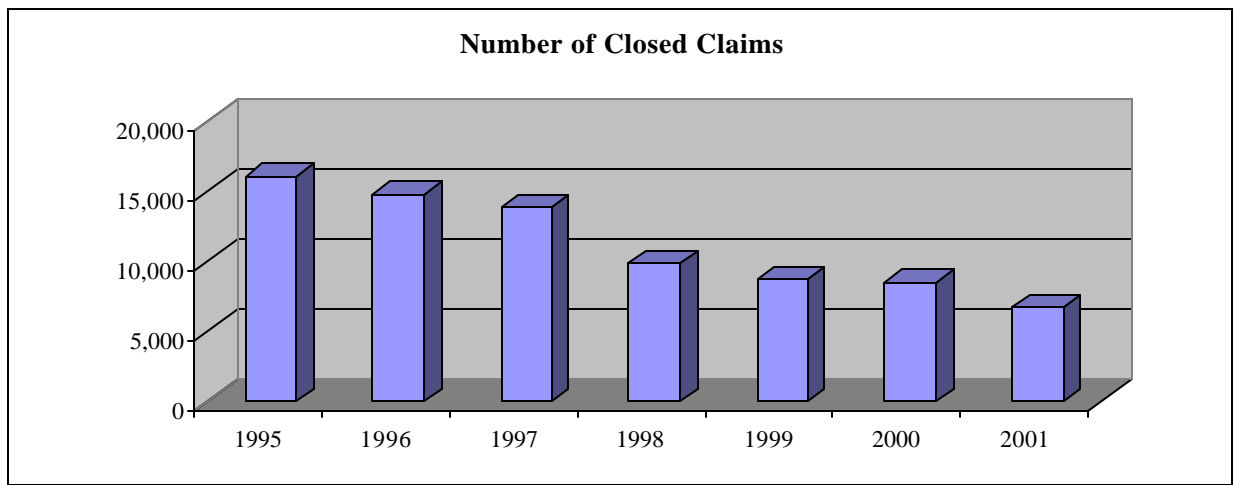
**Table 1**  
**Summary of Workers' Compensation Open Claims Filed, 1995 - 2001**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of Reported Injuries/Illnesses</b>	<b>Percentage of Change From Prior Year</b>
1995	28,120	
1996	24,954	-11%
1997	23,731	-5%
1998	18,868	-21%
1999	19,059	1%
2000	19,768	4%
2001	15,684	-21%



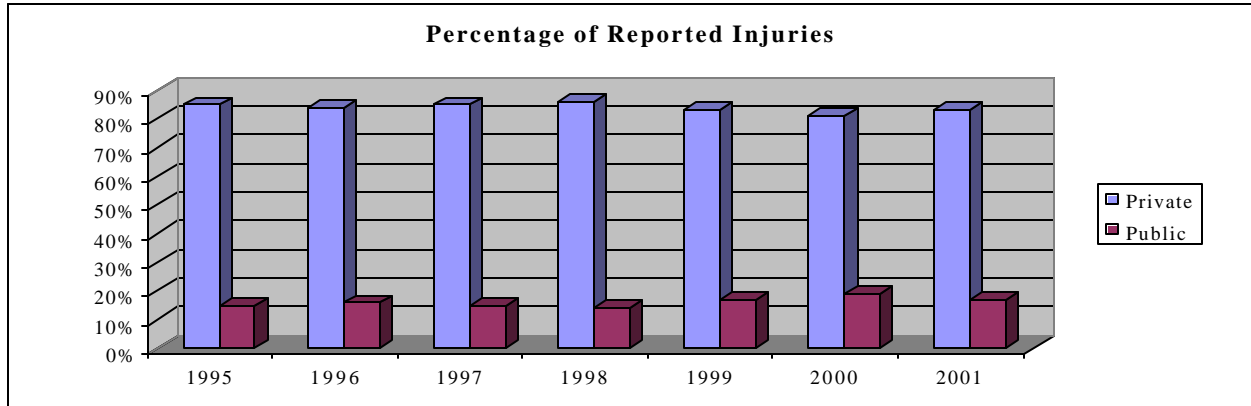
**Table 2**  
**Total Closed Workers' Compensation Claims, 1995 - 2001**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of Closed Claims</b>	<b>Percentage of Change from Prior year</b>
1995	16,049	
1996	14,791	-8%
1997	13,882	-6%
1998	9,843	-29%
1999	8,709	-12%
2000	8,527	-2%
2001	6,738	-21%



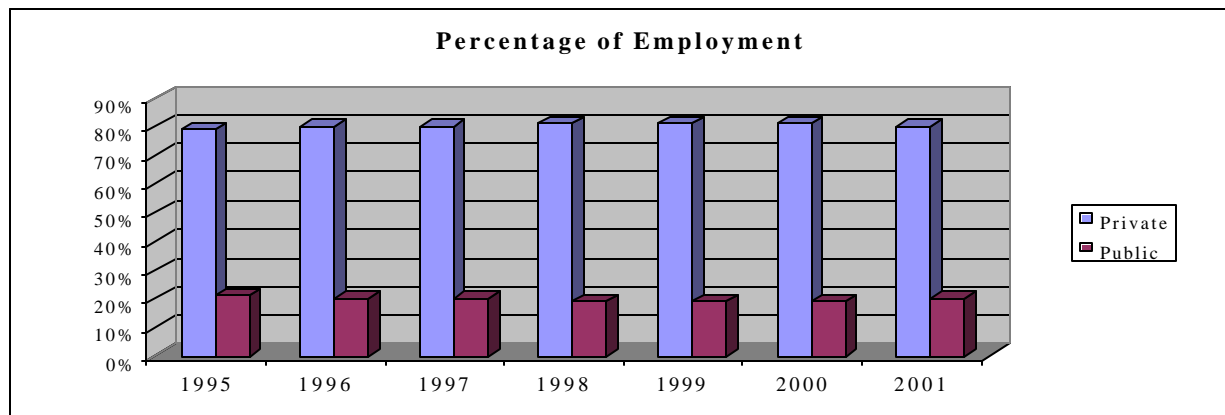
**Table 3**  
**Percentage of Reported Injuries by Private and Public Sector, 1995 - 2001**

<b>Employer Type</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>
Private	85%	84%	85%	86%	83%	81%	83%
Public	15%	16%	15%	14%	17%	19%	17%



**Table 4**  
**Percentage of Employment by Private and Public Sector, 1995 - 2001**

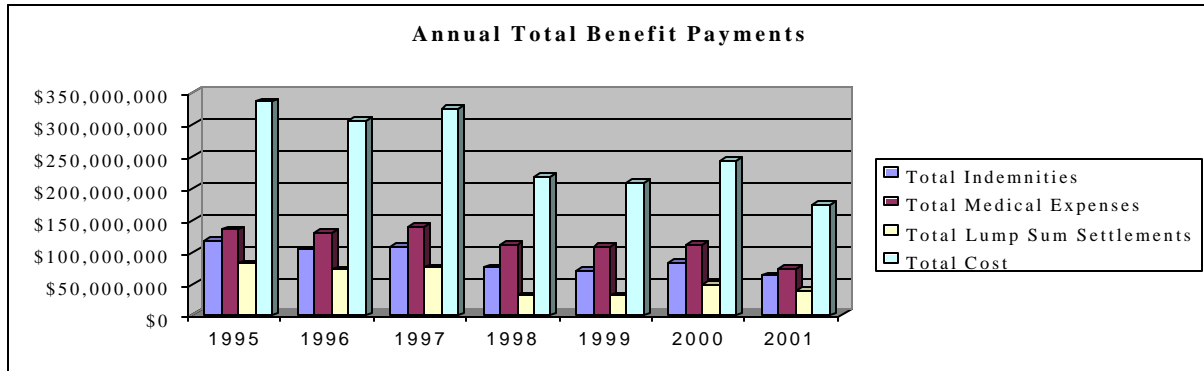
<b>Employment Type</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>
Private	79%	80%	80%	81%	81%	81%	80%
Public	21%	20%	20%	19%	19%	19%	20%



**Table 5**  
**Annual Total Benefit Payments, 1995 – 2001**  
**Workers' Compensation Closed Claims**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Total Indemnities</b>	<b>Total Medical Expenses</b>	<b>Total Lump Sum Settlements</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
1995	\$ 118,367,085	\$ 134,856,810	\$ 81,970,386	\$ 334,924,281
1996	\$ 103,717,225	\$ 130,473,169	\$ 71,688,268	\$ 305,878,662
1997	\$ 108,962,649	\$ 139,522,362	\$ 75,435,475	\$ 323,920,486
1998	\$ 74,715,402	\$ 112,229,512	\$ 31,053,955	\$ 217,998,869
1999	\$ 70,075,188	\$ 108,645,705	\$ 30,690,346	\$ 209,411,239
2000	\$ 82,497,950	\$ 111,184,362	\$ 48,667,009	\$ 242,349,321
2001	\$ 62,575,731	\$ 73,927,280	\$ 38,255,974	\$ 174,758,724

Note: Total expenses include payments for funeral, hospital, legal, medical, rehabilitation, transportation and related expenses.



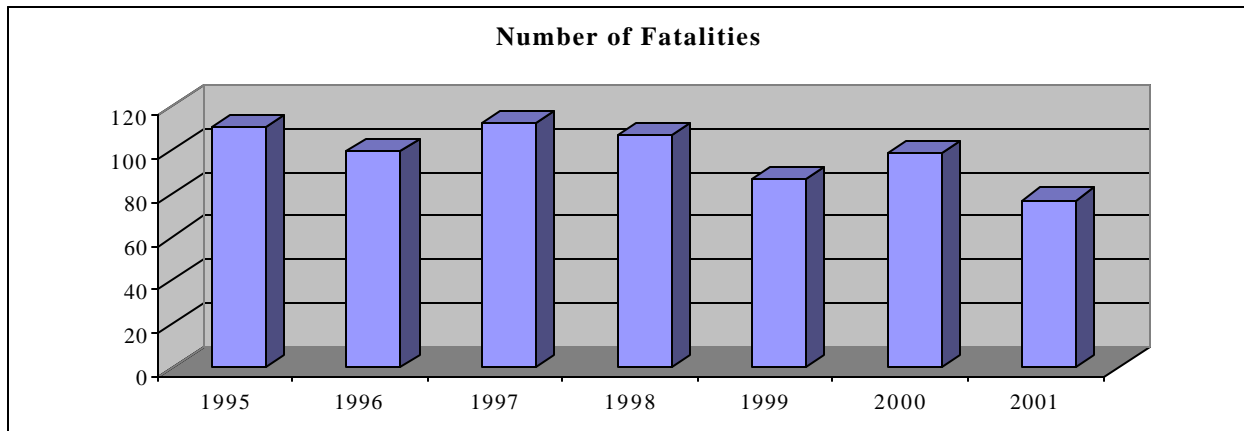
**Table 6**  
**Workplace Fatality Reported Claims, 1995 - 2001**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of Fatalities</b>	<b>Percentage of Change from Prior Year</b>
1995	111	
1996	100	-10%
1997	112	12%
1998	107	-4%
1999	87	-19%
2000	99	14%
2001	70	-29%

Note: The claims reported are workplace fatalities that are compensable under Louisiana's compensation statute.

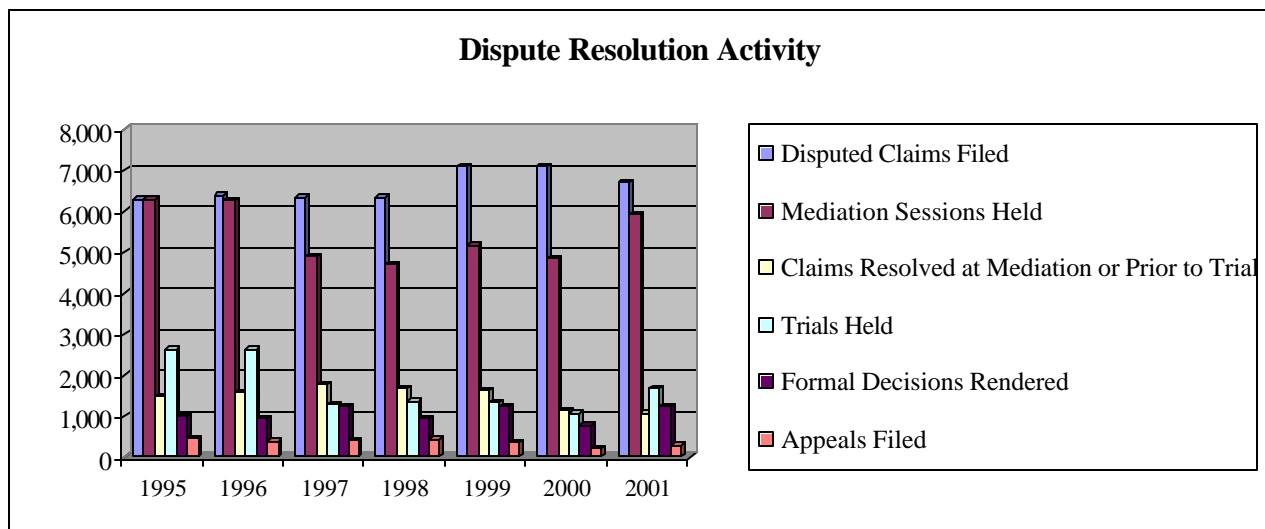
The information represents workplace fatalities in instances where:

- death occurred while on the employer's premises and is work-related
- death occurred off the employer's premises and is work-related



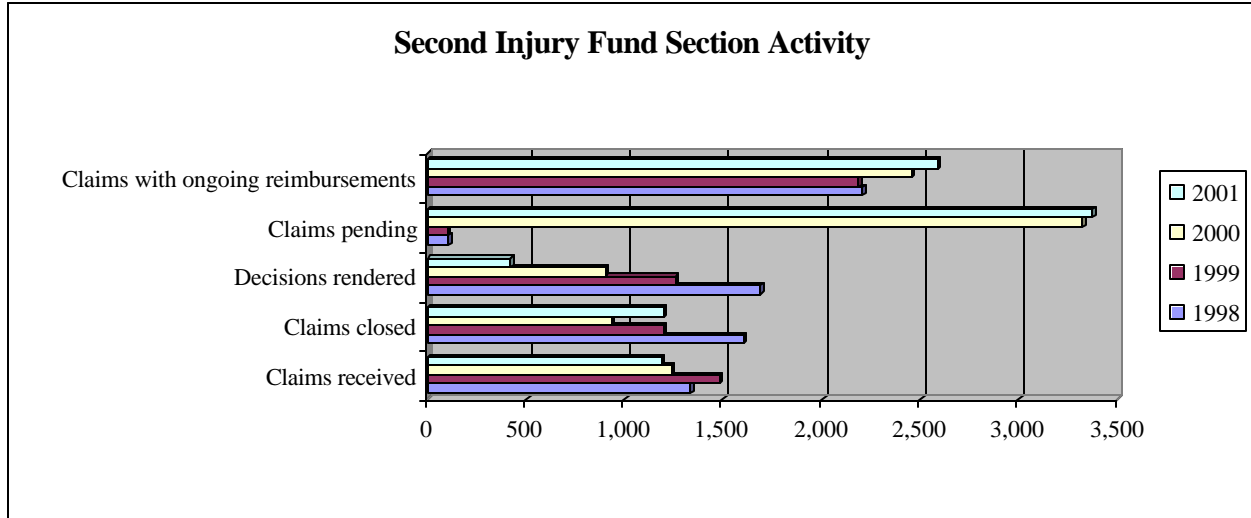
**Table 7**  
**Dispute Resolution Activity, 1995 - 2001**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Disputed Claims Filed</b>	<b>Mediations Held</b>	<b>Claims Resolved at Mediation or Prior to Trial</b>	<b>Trials Held</b>	<b>Formal Decisions Rendered</b>	<b>Appeals Filed</b>
1995	6,301	6,305	1,477	2,621	980	464
1996	6,402	6,286	1,575	2,637	929	373
1997	6,348	4,913	1,784	1,276	1,238	399
1998	6,340	4,710	1,671	1,362	932	436
1999	7,097	5,178	1,618	1,334	1,246	356
2000	7,103	4,861	1,143	1,066	761	197
2001	6,719	5,919	1,055	1,679	1,231	289



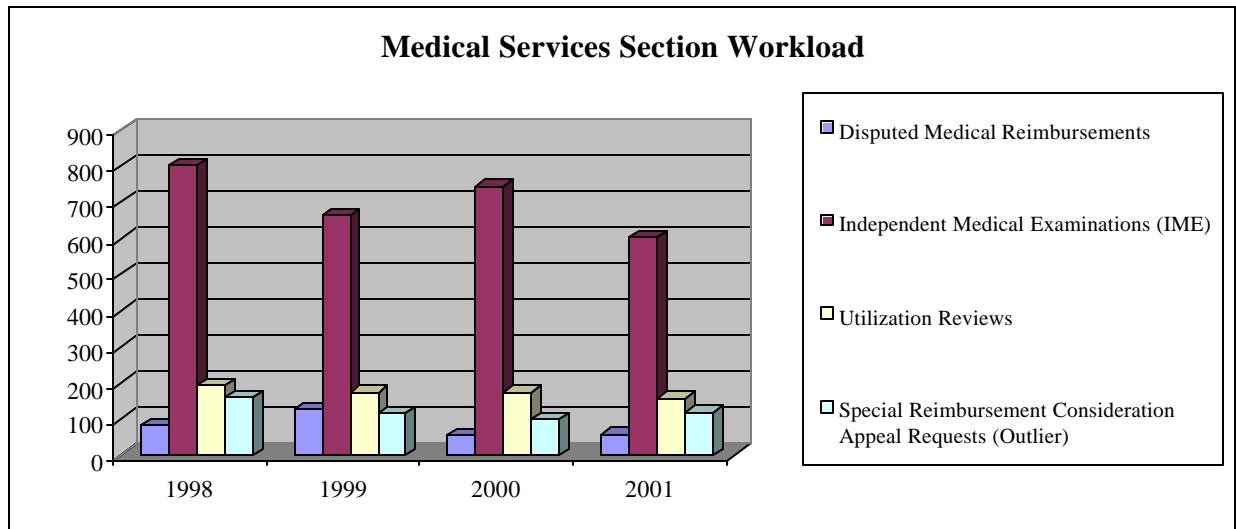
**Table 8**  
**Second Injury Fund Section Activity, 1998 - 2001**

<b>Activity</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>
Claims received	1,337	1,482	1,237	1,188
Claims closed	1,601	1,195	935	1,199
Decisions rendered	1,689	1,257	905	422
Claims pending	109	101	3,324	3,370
Claims with ongoing reimbursements	2,205	2,184	2,453	2,588



**Table 9**  
**Medical Services Section Workload, 1998 - 2001**

<b>Activity</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>
Disputed Medical Reimbursements	81	125	54	56
Independent Medical Examinations (IMEs)	802	664	744	604
Utilization Reviews (URs)	192	173	175	158
Special Reimbursement Consideration Appeal Requests (Outlier)	159	115	99	117



**Table 9A**  
**Average number of days from receipt to case processed, 2001**

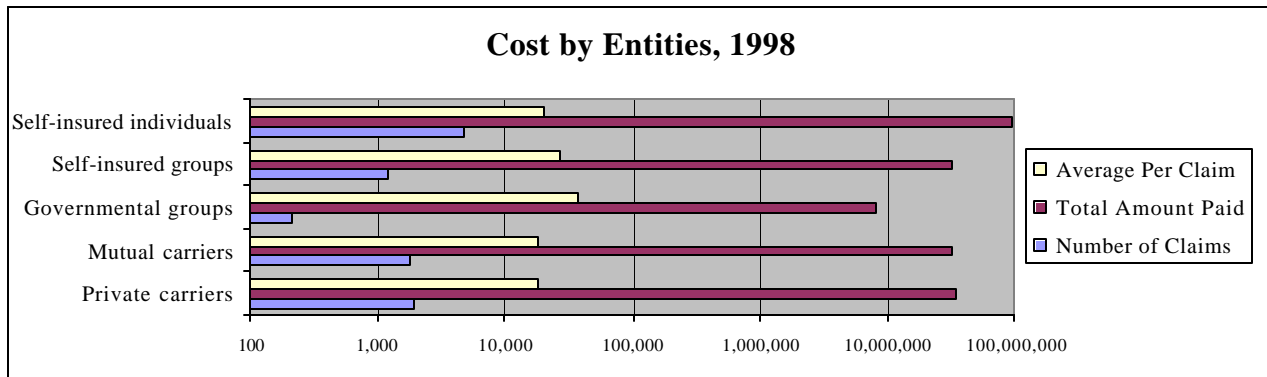
<b>Type of Case</b>	<b>Number of Cases</b>	<b>Average Cases Worked per Month</b>	<b>Average Days to Process</b>
Independent Medical Examinations (IME)	604	50	4.6
Utilization Reviews	158	13	3.7
Disputed Medical Reimbursements	56	5	4.7
Special Reimbursement Consideration Appeal Request (Outlier)	117	10	3.2



**Table 10**  
**Cost by Entities, 1998**

<b>Entities</b>	<b>Number of Claims</b>	<b>Total Amount Paid</b>	<b>Average Per Claim</b>
Private carriers	1,904	\$ 34,656,702	\$ 18,202
Mutual carriers	1,772	\$ 32,232,155	\$ 18,190
Governmental groups	216	\$ 8,115,895	\$ 37,574
Self-insured groups	1,194	\$ 32,076,139	\$ 26,864
Self-insured individuals	4,757	\$ 95,958,822	\$ 20,172
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,843</b>	<b>\$ 203,039,113</b>	<b>\$ 20,628</b>

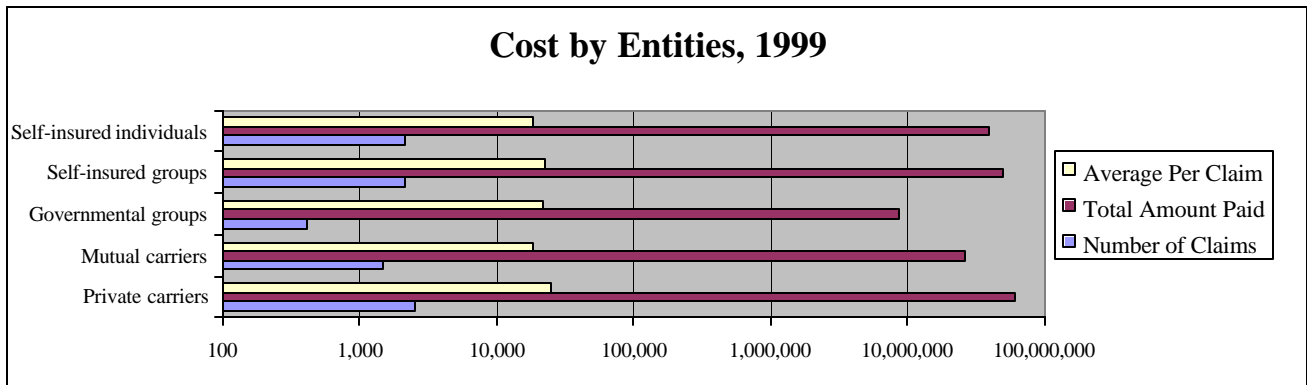
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**Table 10A**  
**Cost by Entities, 1999**

<b>Entities</b>	<b>Number of Claims</b>	<b>Total Amount Paid</b>	<b>Average Per Claim</b>
Private carriers	2,515	\$ 61,781,760	\$ 24,565
Mutual carriers	1,467	\$ 26,653,040	\$ 18,168
Governmental groups	406	\$ 8,806,423	\$ 21,691
Self-insured groups	2,159	\$ 49,374,238	\$ 22,869
Self-insured individuals	2,162	\$ 39,681,022	\$ 18,354
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,709</b>	<b>\$ 186,296,483</b>	<b>\$ 21,391</b>

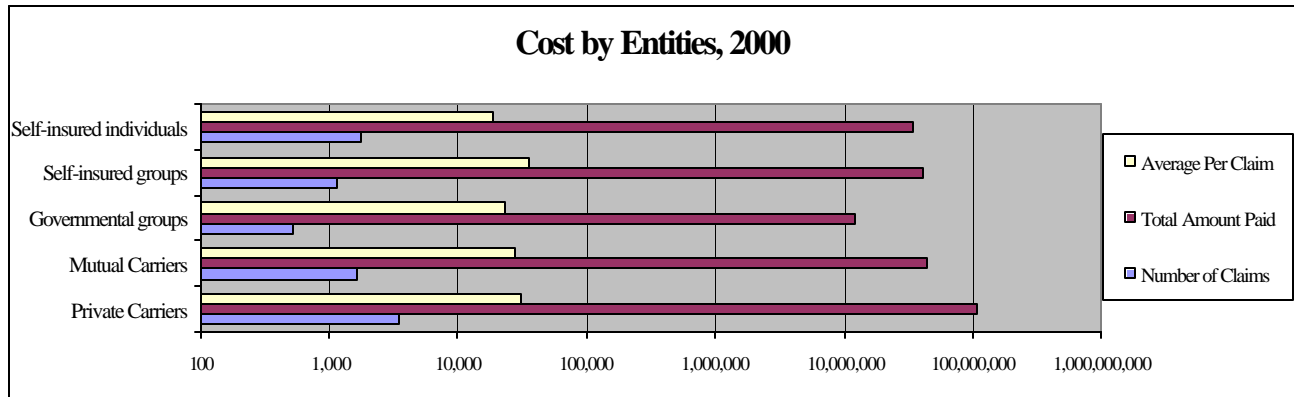
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**Table 10B  
Cost by Entities, 2000**

<b>Entities</b>	<b>Number of Claims</b>	<b>Total Amount Paid</b>	<b>Average Per Claim</b>
Private carriers	3,472	\$ 107,298,786	\$ 30,904
Mutual carriers	1,619	\$ 44,121,627	\$ 27,252
Governmental groups	522	\$ 12,293,394	\$ 23,551
Self-insured groups	1,139	\$ 40,500,383	\$ 35,558
Self-insured individuals	1,775	\$ 33,415,881	\$ 18,826
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,527</b>	<b>\$ 237,630,071</b>	<b>\$ 27,868</b>

Note: Data is derived from workers' compensation closed claims.



**Table 10C  
Cost by Entities, 2001**

<b>Entities</b>	<b>Number of Claims</b>	<b>Total Amount Paid</b>	<b>Average Per Claim</b>
Private carriers	974	\$ 28,652,347	\$ 29,539
Mutual carriers	1,042	\$ 24,623,372	\$ 23,676
Governmental groups	234	\$ 6,432,291	\$ 27,488
Self-insured groups	3,388	\$ 97,893,086	\$ 28,945
Self-insured individuals	1,100	\$ 25,979,503	\$ 23,704
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,738</b>	<b>\$ 183,580,599</b>	<b>\$ 27,246</b>

Note: Data is derived from workers' compensation closed claims.

