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# Public Accounts and Estimates Committee



## **TAC Client Metrics**



**46,000**Clients supported in 2022-23



\$1.63 billion
Funding for support, services
and compensation



950
Seriously injured clients
returned to work



90% Independent of scheme 36 months



1,172 Common law settlements under protocols

# **TAC Client Support**



#### \$2.1 million

For 3 year funding agreement with Amber Community to support those impacted by road trauma



#### 69.9%

Of TAC's less seriously injured clients returned to work within 6 months of injury



#### \$240,000

Awarded to communitybased projects that support Victorians living with disability



#### **Inclusion and Diversity**

Launched Inclusion and Diversity Framework, and its Gender Equality Action Plan



#### 6,000

Personalised care plans created through MyPlan to provide choice and control to clients



#### 0-to-30 Day Pilot

Ensuring clients at risk of delayed return to work are supported via a tailored recovery pathway



#### **Surgery Service Charter**

Sets out the standards that clients and providers can expect during the surgery request process

### **TAC Grants**

- \$2.4 million invested across the Road Safety Grant and Local Government Grant programs
- \$600,000 provided to local football and netball clubs to educate on dangers associated with speed, drink/drug driving, fatigue and distractions
- Over \$588,000 for value-based healthcare innovation projects to provide efficient, cost-effective and high-quality care

### **TAC Financial Performance**

In the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023:

**\$1.657** billion

operating profit (compared to \$1.5 billion in 2021-22)

**\$1.895** billion

performance from insurance operations (compared to \$942 million in 2021-22)

160.1 per cent

insurance funding ratio (compared to 148.6 per cent in 2021-22)

# **Supporting Workplace Safety**

- Victoria has led the way in protecting workers from deadly silicosis.
- From 1 July 2024, work involving the manufacturing, supply, processing, or installation of engineered stone benchtops, slabs or panels will be banned in Victoria.
- As Victoria's OHS Regulator, WorkSafe's compliance and enforcement activity continues to play a critical role in reducing injuries, illness, and deaths in Victorian workplaces.
- In 2022-23, WorkSafe:
  - Conducted **44,438** workplace visits
  - Issued **10,873** improvement notices

1,503

PSYCHOSOCIAL SPECIFIC WORKPLACE VISITS

3.9 MILLION +

VISITS TO WORKSAFE'S WEBSITE

172,955

LICENCES PROCESSED ACROSS ALL LICENCE TYPES

# Supporting injured workers

In the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023:

98,047

injured workers have been **supported** with treatment and/or weekly benefits

\$3.1 billion

**total scheme payments** were made to support injured workers

32,780

new claims were received by WorkSafe

23,665

injured workers were **assisted back to work**, with a focus on **tailoring services** to better meet the needs of injured workers

**Return to Work Victoria** was established as a business unit within WorkSafe in April 2024 & will focus on:

- promoting effective occupational rehabilitation of injured workers
- encouraging employers to provide suitable job opportunities for workers who have been injured
- ✓ identifying innovative injury prevention and return to work strategies

### **WorkSafe Grants**

- Community grants continue to drive priority education, training and public awareness initiatives to improve work health, safety, and wellbeing
- In 2022-23, WorkSafe invested \$3.3 million in community grants programs
- As part of the Ministerial Taskforce into Workplace Sexual Harassment, the Victorian Government provided \$6.6 million over three years to WorkSafe for the expansion of the WorkWell program
- This includes \$4.8 million invested through the WorkWell Respect Program for projects to prevent work-related gendered violence including sexual harassment

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