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## Healthy Workplace Strategy Framework

Achievement Report July 2020 – Dec 2022



Wellbeing SA

Healthy Workplaces SA

# July 2020 - Formation of the Collaborative Partnership





Government of South Australia Department for Industry, Innovation and Science







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South Australian Workplace Health and Wellbeing Charter

> Supporting SA workplaces to thrive

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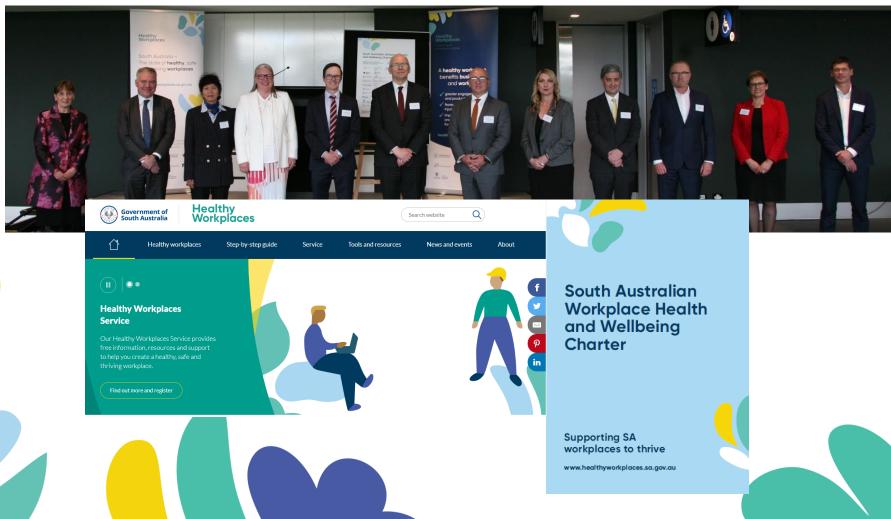




#### Supporting SA workplaces to thrive

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# October 27 2020 – Charter signing and website launch

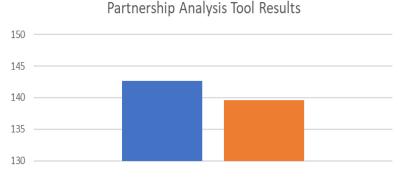


### The Partnership is strong

- Quarterly meetings with at least 80% attendance
- Yearly strategic planning days
- Active working groups to deliver upon commitments
- Collaborative Partnership for Workplace Health and Wellbeing has been placed in the highest category – determined by the Victorian Partnership Analysis tool in both years. (i.e. Score between 127–175)

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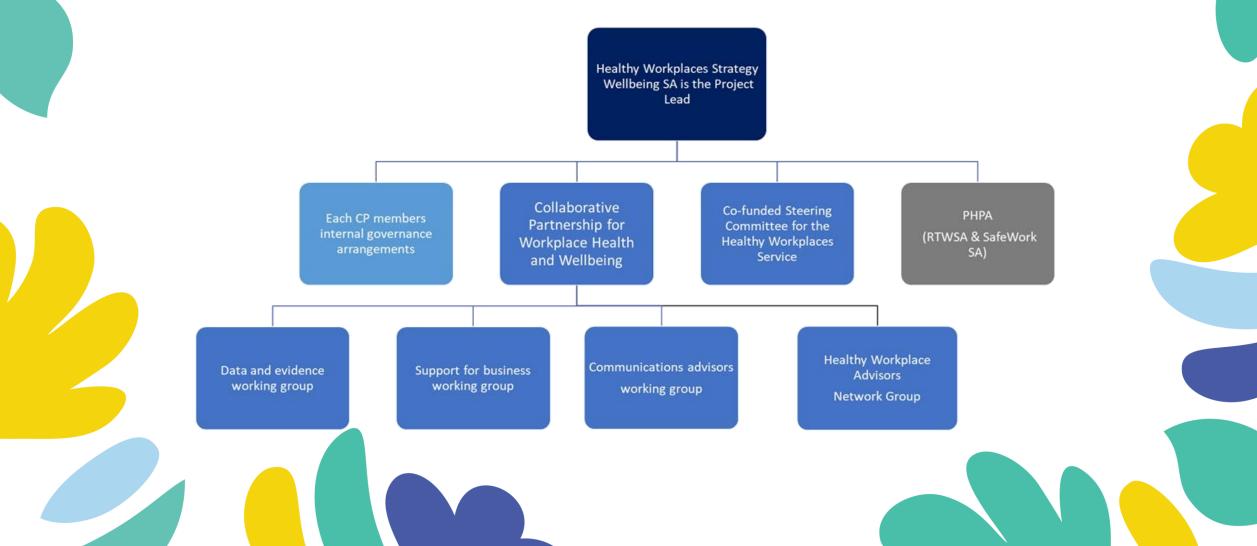
• These scores showcase a partnership based on genuine collaboration has been established



2020 2022

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### Activated working groups



### Joint strategic activities

• Public Health Partnership Agreement across SafeWork, ReturntoWork SA and SafeWork SA.

- A joint response on the draft National Injury Prevention Strategy 2020-2030 indicating the importance of healthy and safe workplaces.
- Support with the cross-portfolio silicosis prevention strategy including the development of a Silicosis Registry discussion paper
- Representation at the National 'Head of Work Safe Agencies'' community of practice to drive a national agenda

## Joint responses to COVID 19

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- Input into the State Wellbeing Strategy and related OpenYourWorld website
- Joint work on the production of short videos featured on the website - Working from home how to set up your desk ergonomically (3414 views) and Working from home - How to work effectively at home
- Developed A "Transitioning back to work" webinar and workplace checklist
- Special COVID19 edition of the Healthy Workplaces SA Newsletter

#### WORKING AND THRIVING BEYOND COVID-19 Optimising Health & Wellbeing



Transitioning back to work checklist









### **3 x Community Consultations**

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Government of South Australia Wellbeing SA

Workplace Health and Wellbeing Community Consultation Results

Wellbeing SA is committed to supporting South Australian workplaces to be healthy, safe and thriving. In 2021, Wellbeing SA surveyed 280 workplaces to better understand the factors which enable, hinder and motivate organisations to act on workplace health and wellbeing.



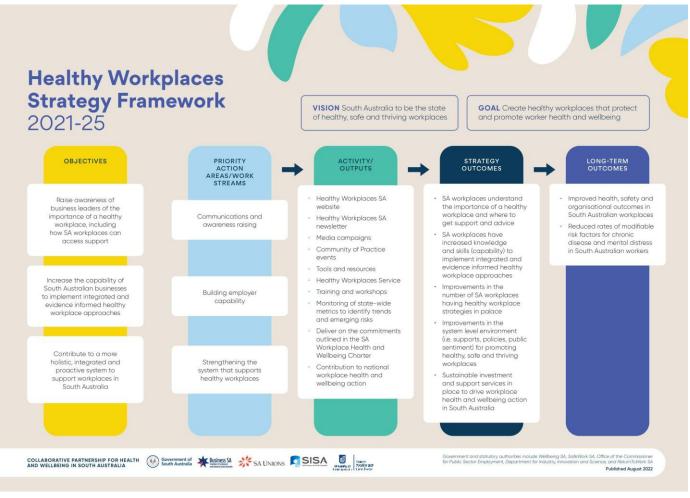








### October 2021 Healthy Workplaces Strategy Framework Endorsed



### Contributions to data and research

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- Mapping of relevant legislation Acts for commonalities and key principles -'A Legislative *Review: Commonalities amongst State Legislation Relating* to Health and Wellbeing in the Workplace' paper
- Commissioned a literature review on indicators and tools for measuring workplace health and wellbeing to assist in the evaluation of the impact of the outcomes of the Collaborative Partnership.
- Working group established to drive data, research and evaluation for the Healthy Workplaces Strategy.
- Attendance at the World Conference on Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion 2022

#### Indicators of healthy, safe and thriving workplaces

#### Healthy vision and culture use are workplace organisational factors influencing

waithy safe and thriving workplaces. Lead indicators include: Policies, practices and procedures to support physical

#### health leg, health climate) and psychological health Leg. flexible work arrangements policy).

- Leadenhip commitment and engagement Involvement and engagement from workers.
- > Organisational communication/ethics and value reflect health and wellbeing
- Allocation of sufficient resources committed to
- workplace health and wellbeing (financial and/or other lemit from time!
- Psychosocial Safety Climate
- > Digarisation of work/work design including. Job demonds (e.g. work pressure, emotional
- demands, bullying rates, work-family conflict Job resources (e.g. social support, job control,
- rewards, procedural kasticel » Workplace diversity

#### Policy and community context These are external indicators influencing healthy, soft

- and thriving workpippers Lead indicators include
- > Stotewide resources, support took and business
- advisory services. Capacity building activities, e.g. training workshops
- Strategic portnerships and policy, legislative and requilatory factors
- Policy and

context

community

**Healthy places** 

Lead indicators indiade:

These are physical work environment factors that

equipment, such as bike racks and healthy load

Work conditions (e.g. controlled and sofe exposure to)

physical hazards such as noise, hazardous chemicals

Included

availability of adequate space, light, dear air etc).

Equipment: availability, suitability and maintenance

providers, local services, ergonomics, safety).

influence healthy, safe and thinking workplaces.

Physical work environment (e.g. facilities and investigation)

#### **Healthy people** These are individual factors influencing healthy, safe and

- thriving workplaces.
- Lead indicators include: > Worker health knowledge/skill
- > Worker perceptions of policies, practices, and procedures to support physical and psychological
- health and wellbeing leg. psychosocial safety climatel

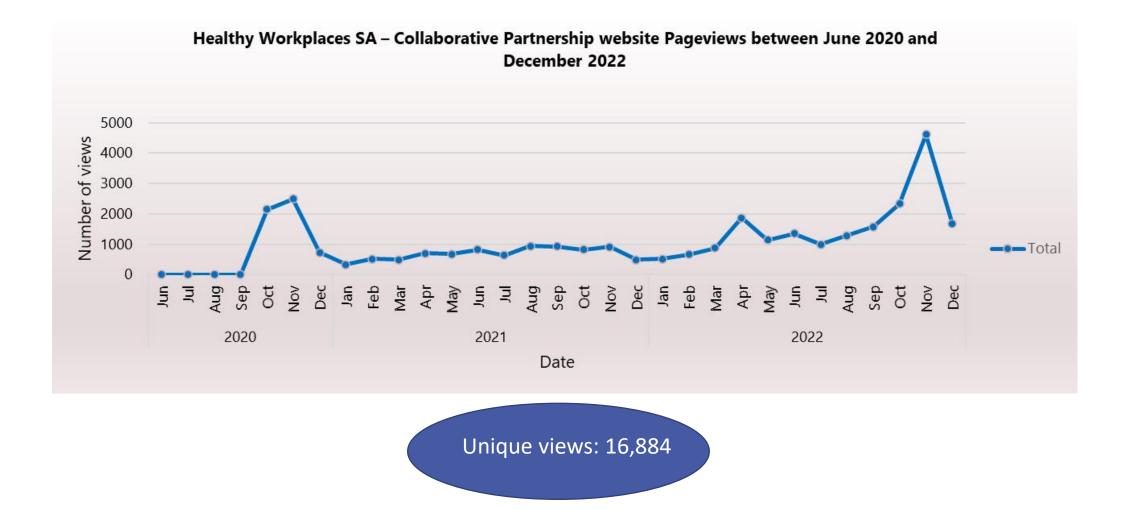
#### Lag indicators

- These indicators result from the lead indicators that infuence healthy, sofe and thriving workplaces.
- Los indicators include: Organisational performance metrics leg, sickner
- obsence, injury rates, presenteeism, productivity) and worker's compensation data.
- Worker behaviour (e.g. rates of smaking, healthy eating
- alcohol use, physical activity, healthy weight) Worker sleep and fatigue, mental stress (e.g. emotional
- exhaustion, psychological distress
- > Corporate social responsibility actions leg, organisations supporting community health and wellbeing mentoring small business, etc)

Evidence based model developed in collaboration with the Centre for Workpipce Excellence, UnSA

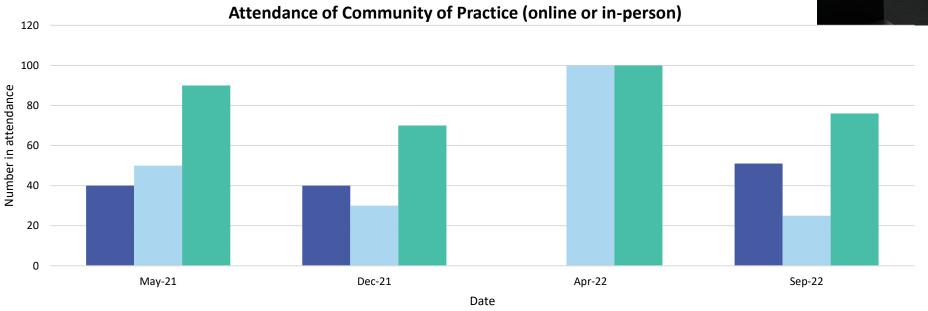


### Healthyworkplaces.gov.au - usage





### **Community of Practice Events**



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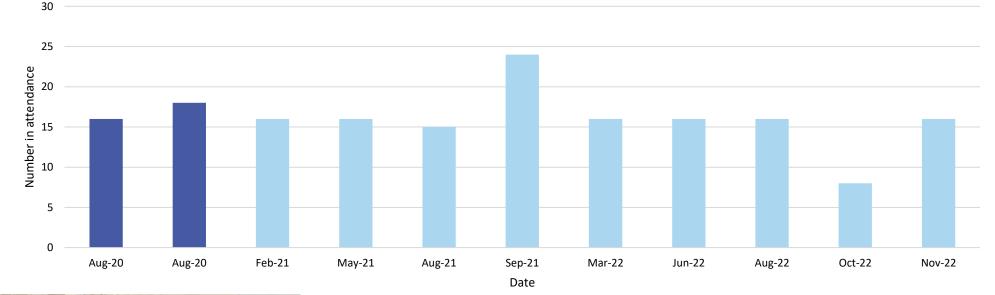
Attended Online Attended In-person Attended Total

Total 336 attendees

# Building your workplace health and wellbeing workshops

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Attendance of Health and Wellbeing Workshop



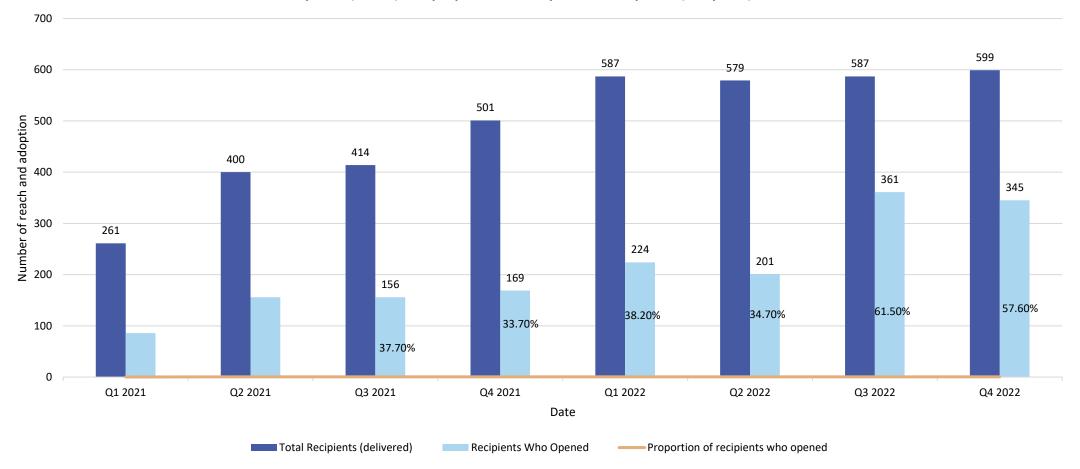


Total 199 trained

Online In-person

### **Healthy Workplaces E-newsletter**

Newsletter recipients (Reach) and proportion of recipients who opened (Adoption) in 2021 and 2022



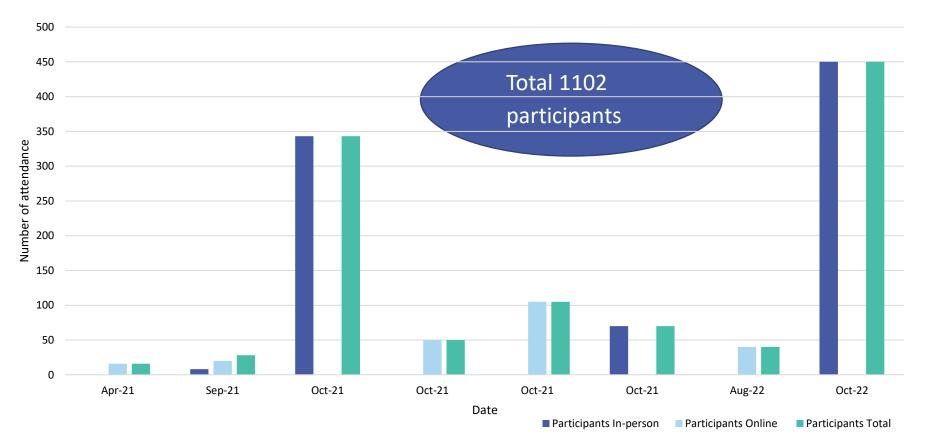
### Shared webinars, workshops and events

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Attendance of Ad Hoc events (online or in-person)



- Small Business Week Mental health and small business webinar
- Adelaide Uni Master Public Health
  Occupational Health workshop
- Mind your Health mentally healthy workplace challenge
- Practical tips of creating a mentally healthy workplace webinar
- Leaders as Agents of Change webinar
- SA leaders Presentation
- Workplace Steps Tournament webinar
- Breakfast Event Mind Your Health Challenge and Healthy Workplaces Service Launch



### October 27 2022 – Launch Healthy Workplaces Service

- Co-design workshop in November 2021
- Empathy mapping/value proposition mapping and service delivery Map, in February 2022
- 4 x MoAA with RTWSA, SafeWork SA, DIIS, OCPSE
- Co-funding Steering Committee endorsed the Healthy Workplace Service Blueprint in August 2022
- Recruitment and training of Healthy Workplace
  Advisors
- Co-designed communication strategy for Healthy
  Workplace Service





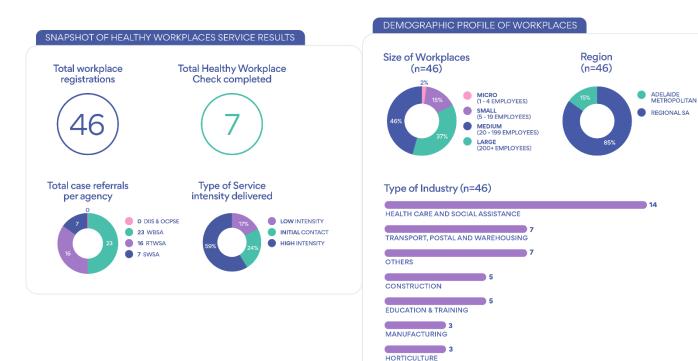


#### Healthy Workplaces Service Stats 27 Oct 22 – 31 Dec 22 AREAS OF HEALTHY WORKPLACE STRATEGY SUPPORT (n=34)

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16

8



RETAIL TRADE

0

8 EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT 1 EADERSHIP COMMITMENT 7 INFORMATION ON PROGRAMS AND SUPPORT SERVICES 7 INFORMATION ON PROGRAMS AND SUPPORT SERVICES 5 NEEDS ASSESSMENT 3 HWS POLICIES 2 PROGRAM EVALUATION 4 0 4 8

#### WORKPLACE HEALTH AND WELLBEING ISSUES (n=33)

		15	
MENTAL HEALTH			
4 PSYCHOSOCIAL HAZARDS			
4 OTHER HEALTH & WELLBEING TOPICS			
3 PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND SEDENTARY WORK			
3 MUSCULOSKELETAL DISORDERS			
2 HEALTHY WEIGHT			
ALCOHOL 2			
0	8	16	

## Healthy Workplace Check Development

- Design of healthy workplace check
- Conducted a validation of the healthy workplace check with CWeX
- Creating the check as Qualtrics tool for evaluation purposes
- 15 minutes survey to check across seven domains for a Healthy Workplace



# What are we collectively trying to shift by 2025 – Awareness

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#### Awareness of supports for wellbeing in SA workplaces



Most South Australian workplaces (85%) know where to access support and advice to enable them to promote and protect worker health, safety and wellbeing in their workplaces.

The sources most known to them include:

- SafeWork SA Advisory Service (72%)
- Return to Work SA (72%)
- Healthy workplaces website SA healthyworkplaces.sa.gov.au (34%)
- Department Innovation & Skills Small Business Case Management Service (18%)
- Healthy workplaces training (18%)
- 10000 steps for workplace (18%)
- National Workplace Initiative- National Mental Health Commission (17%)
- Return to Work SA's Mentally Healthy Workplaces Consultant (16%).

#### Motivations & attitudes to wellbeing in SA workplaces

Overall, South Australian workplaces report high levels of motivation and positive attitudes towards striving for wellbeing within their workplaces with:



96% of workplaces recognise the importance of promoting and protecting worker health, safety and welbeing.



88% incorporate a mix of strategies that address the physical work environment, establish policies and programs and use supports for workers in health, safety and wellbeing activities.



77% incorporate a mix of workplace health and safety, human resources and organisational development and workplace health promotion strategies when addressing workplace health, safety and wellbeing.

# What are we collectively trying to shift by 2025 – Action and increased capability

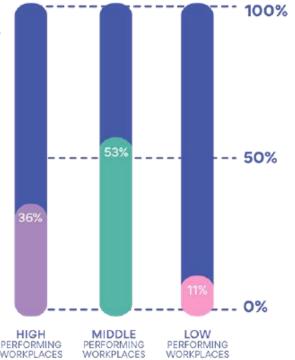
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The overall wellbeing scores in South Australian workplaces

Based on the cumulative scores of the 24 wellbeing variables, High performing workplaces comprise 36% of South Australian workplaces (Figure 1). This is where the cumulative scores of the 24 wellbeing variables average over 4 (agree) out of 5 (strongly agree) or better.

The majority of South Australian workplaces are middling performers. **53% of South Australian workplaces are middling performers** in terms of delivering on the 24 wellbeing variables in this survey. They score between 3 (neutral) and 4 (agree) on average across the 24 variables.

Low performing workplaces comprise 11% of South Australian workplaces. This is where the cumulative scores of the 24 wellbeing variables average under 3 (neutral) or less 2 (disagree) 2 and (1) strongly disagree.



Overall Workplace Health and Wellbeing Scores

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### Long- term outcomes

- Reduced rates of modifiable risk factors for chronic disease and mental distress in South Australian workers.
- Reduced workplace injuries and workers compensation claims.

#### The state of South Australian Almost 1 in 6 Almost 2 in 3 are smokers<sup>1</sup> are overweight or obese 44% have at least Over 90% do not eat one chronic disease<sup>4</sup> enough vegetables Almost a third 1 in 4 experience drink alcohol at a mental health risky levels<sup>2</sup> condition<sup>3</sup> Nearly 1 in 8 do NO exercise

Source: Government of South Australia, Wellbeing SA, Tailored data from the South Australian Population health Survey 2020. 1 Smokers include those who report smoking either daily, weekly or less than weekly. 2 Increasing risk of injury by drinking five or more drinks on a single occasion at least once in the last month. 3 Mental health condition includes anxiety, depression, stress related problem, and other mental health condition in the last 12 months. 4 Chronic disease includes diabetes, asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), cardiovascular disease (CVD), arthritis and cancer.

#### The state of South Australian workers compensation claims

**12,610** claims from workers were received and accepted by ReturntoWorkSA during the 2022 financial year.

Claims received by nature of injury: Joint/ligament and muscle/tendon Wounds, laceration and amputation Musculoskeletal diseases Psychological disorders

Average claim costs by injury type:

\$71K Psychological disorders

\$46K Musculoskeletal diseases

\$34K Fractures

\$23K Joint/ligament and muscle/tendon

\$7.8K Wounds/lacerations and amputations

Source: ReturnToWorkSA - Insurer Statistics FY2022 public:tableau.com/app/profile/rtwsa/viz/ Return ToWorkSA-InsurerStatisticsFY2022/ReturnToWorkSA-InsurerStatistics?publish=yes



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