



Mediation and Employment Relations Service

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2015 Return to Work SA (formerly WorkCover) Industry Levy Rates.

On 1st July 2015 the WorkCover Scheme was replaced with the Return to Work SA Scheme.

The employer levy system is based on an industry premium rate and in addition to that levy premium rate an employer's claims history is taken into account. An employer with no claims will be required to pay the industry rate only whereas a higher rate is paid by an employer who has had claims.

The industry rates for 2015-16 are stated to be a reduction for most employers than the rate paid in 2014-15 under the previous scheme. As reported in previous updates claims however will be costlier with the new Scheme.

Industry classifications and rates

The Return to Work SA Corporation has provided the information below to assist employers to check their levy rates.

South Australian Industry Classifications (SAIC) have replaced South Australian WorkCover Industrial Classifications (SAWICs).

The new SAICs align our industry-based classification system with the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC) 2006 ensuring:

- a modern classification system that reflects the changes and evolution in the structure and composition of industry over time
- we align with national workers' compensation harmonisation objectives.

We use an industry based classification system to assign an appropriate classification for each employer location, based on predominant business activity. This system is called the South Australian Industry Classification (SAIC) system.



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Each SAIC has a corresponding **industry premium rate**, which is calculated each year using the claims cost performance of all businesses classified in that industry. An industry premium rate is not necessarily linked to the perceived risk involved for workers in that industry – it is linked to actual claims experience.

At the end of each financial year, we provide all employers with an Industry Premium Rate Schedule that details **industry premium rate/s** specific to their business as well as their SAICs. It is important to advise us of any changes to your business activity as this may lead to a change to your classification and a change to your industry premium rate.

If you believe the industry classification applied to you does not reflect your predominant business activity, please call the Return to Work SA Corporation on 13 18 55.



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The following are the various industry level rates for the commodities in the Agriculture, forestry and fishing;

SAIC number	Industry description	Industry Premium Rate per \$100
011101	Nursery Production	3.626%
011301	Turf Growing	3.626%
011401	Floriculture Production	3.338%
012101	Mushroom Growing	3.808%
012201	Vegetable Growing	3.808%
013101	Grape Growing	2.086%
013201	Kiwifruit Growing	3.734%
013301	Berry Fruit Growing	3.734%
013406	Apple, Pear, Stone Fruit and Citrus Growing	3.734%
013701	Olive Growing	3.734%
013901	Other Fruit and Tree Nut Growing	3.734%
014101	Sheep Farming	4.769%
014201	Beef Cattle Farming	5.431%
014406	Sheep-Beef Cattle Farming	4.670%
014501	Grain-Sheep or Grain-Beef Cattle Farming	2.614%
014901	Grain Growing	2.773%
015901	Other Crop Growing n.e.c.	4.815%
016001	Dairy Cattle Farming	5.741%
017101	Poultry Farming (Meat)	4.454%
017201	Poultry Farming (Eggs)	4.454%
018001	Deer Farming	4.815%
019101	Horse Farming	4.472%
019201	Pig Farming	6.627%
019306	Beekeeping	4.815%
019901	Other Livestock Farming n.e.c.	4.815%
020101	Offshore Longline and Rack Aquaculture	3.238%
020201	Offshore Caged Aquaculture	3.238%
020301	Onshore Aquaculture	3.238%



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030101	Forestry	3.075%
030201	Logging	4.194%
041101	Rock Lobster and Crab Potting	3.375%
041201	Prawn Fishing	2.705%
041301	Line Fishing	4.065%
041401	Fish Trawling, Seining and Netting	5.446%
041901	Other Fishing	5.446%
042001	Hunting and Trapping	5.201%
051001	Forestry Support Services	3.068%
052201	Shearing Services	6.550%
052901	Other Agriculture and Fishing Support Services	3.747%