

Annual Reporting - FY2021-22

This publication includes information published in accordance with subsection 53B(5) of the [Medical Indemnity Act 2002](#). It also includes information reported to the Secretary of the Department of Health in accordance with section 20 of the *Medical Indemnity Rules 2020*.

This report sets out the total annual figures notified by six medical indemnity insurers to the Secretary of the Department of Health with respect to the following matters for the 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 financial year as per Table 1:

- The number of refusals to provide professional indemnity insurance cover to a medical practitioner.
- The number of insurance contracts imposing a risk surcharge.
- The number of refusals that were the subject of a complaint made to the Australian Financial Complaints Authority (this will apply regardless of whether the complaint has been resolved or not).
- The number of occasions in the financial year where a medical practitioner withdrew from entering into a contract of insurance with a medical indemnity insurer for professional indemnity cover.
- The number of insurance contracts imposing a risk surcharge that were the subject of a complaint made to the Australian Financial Complaints Authority (this will apply regardless of whether the complaint has been resolved or not).

Table 1

The number of refusals to provide professional indemnity insurance cover to a medical practitioner. ¹	12
The number of insurance contracts imposing a risk surcharge. ²	171
The number of refusals that were the subject of a complaint made to the Australian Financial Complaints Authority (this will apply regardless of whether the complaint has been resolved or not); and ³	156
The number of occasions in the financial year where a medical practitioner withdrew from entering into a contract of insurance with a medical indemnity insurer for professional indemnity cover; and ⁴	
The number of insurance contracts imposing a risk surcharge that were the subject of a complaint made to the Australian Financial Complaints Authority (this will apply regardless of whether the complaint has been resolved or not). ⁵	

Note: the last 3 rows have been grouped together to ensure no practitioner is identifiable.

¹ See paragraph 53B(1)(a) and (2)(a) of the *Medical Indemnity Act 2002*.

² See paragraph 53B (2)(a) of the *Medical Indemnity Act 2002*.

³ See paragraph 20(2)(a) of the *Medical Indemnity Rules 2020*.

⁴ See paragraph 20(2)(b) of the *Medical Indemnity Rules 2020*.

⁵ See paragraph 20(3)(b) of the *Medical Indemnity Rules 2020*.