

MEDIA RELEASE
Workers' Safety and Compensation Commission
Releases Assessment Rates for 2018

Yellowknife, NT (December 11, 2017) – Today, the Workers' Safety and Compensation Commission (WSCC) of the Northwest Territories and Nunavut release the 2018 employer assessment rates.

This year, the average provisional assessment rate will be \$2.05 per \$100 assessable payroll. This provisional target rate is the rate employers would pay if there was only one rate for all employers, and is the rate the WSCC uses as a starting point when setting individual subclass rates.

The 2018 average provisional assessment rate puts the WSCC in a position to maintain the same level of assessment revenue as in 2016 and 2017. Subclass adjustments are being made to ensure fairness. Industries with increased claims cost experience are paying more to fund the system, while those with reduced costs are paying less.

In 2018 the Year's Maximum Insurable Remuneration (YMIR) will remain at \$90,600. YMIR is the maximum earnings the WSCC uses to calculate compensation paid to an injured worker per year.

Once again, employers can conveniently access the individual subclass rates for all industries for the upcoming year via [WSCC Connect](#), the WSCC's e-Business service. You can view the WSCC's current and historical rates by [Class & Subclass](#) and by [Specific Industry](#).

WSCC Connect is accessible through wscs.nt.ca or wscs.nu.ca. Click on the *WSCC Connect* logo located at the top of the page and follow the button to View Assessment Rates.

The WSCC strives to sustain a fund that protects employers and injured workers over the long term, and continues its commitment to working in partnership with our stakeholders to ensure workplace safety, and care for workers.

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WSCC is an arm's length government agency responsible for administering the Workers' Compensation Acts, Safety Acts, Explosives Use Acts, the Mine Health and Safety Acts, and associated regulations.

Together with our partners, the WSCC provides services to almost 40,000 workers and 4,000 employers across the Northwest Territories and Nunavut. We process over 3,000 claims and conduct over 1,000 inspections annually to ensure the safety of Northern workplaces. The WSCC is unique in Canada as it is the only workers' compensation organization in the country to insure workers across more than one province or territory. We proudly offer services in the official languages of both territories.

Historical Provisional Target Rates

2002 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$1.18 provisional rate 35% discounted rate as with previous seven years Lowest provisional rate in Canada 	2010 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$1.80 provisional rate One of the lowest provisional rates in Canada
2003 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$1.60 provisional rate 30% discounted rate Second lowest provisional rate in Canada 	2011 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$1.73 provisional rate One of the lowest provisional rates in Canada
2004 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$1.91 provisional rate 20% discounted rate One of the lowest provisional rates in Canada 	2012 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$1.77 provisional rate Rates comparable to other Canadian jurisdictions
2005 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$1.86 provisional rate 10% discounted rate One of the lowest provisional rates in Canada 	2013 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$2.05 provisional rate Rates comparable to other Canadian jurisdictions
2006 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$1.87 provisional rate One of the lowest provisional rates in Canada 	2014 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$2.05 provisional rate Rates comparable to other Canadian jurisdictions
2007 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$1.71 provisional rate One of the lowest provisional rates in Canada 	2015 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$2.00 provisional rate Rates comparable to other Canadian jurisdictions
2008 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$1.71 provisional rate 30% rebate cheque on 2006 assessments One of the lowest provisional rates in Canada 	2016 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$2.00 provisional rate Rates comparable to other Canadian jurisdictions
2009 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$1.71 provisional rate One of the lowest provisional rates in Canada 	2017 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$2.00 provisional rate Rates comparable to other Canadian jurisdictions