



# Dust Diseases Tribunal of New South Wales

## Annual report to the President 2024

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## Online Filing

Online filing commenced on 15 May 2023.

The uptake of the online filing by legal practitioners has been a great success. In 2024, 5,289 documents have been filed online, representing 83% of all documents filed (an increase of 7% from 2023).

1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

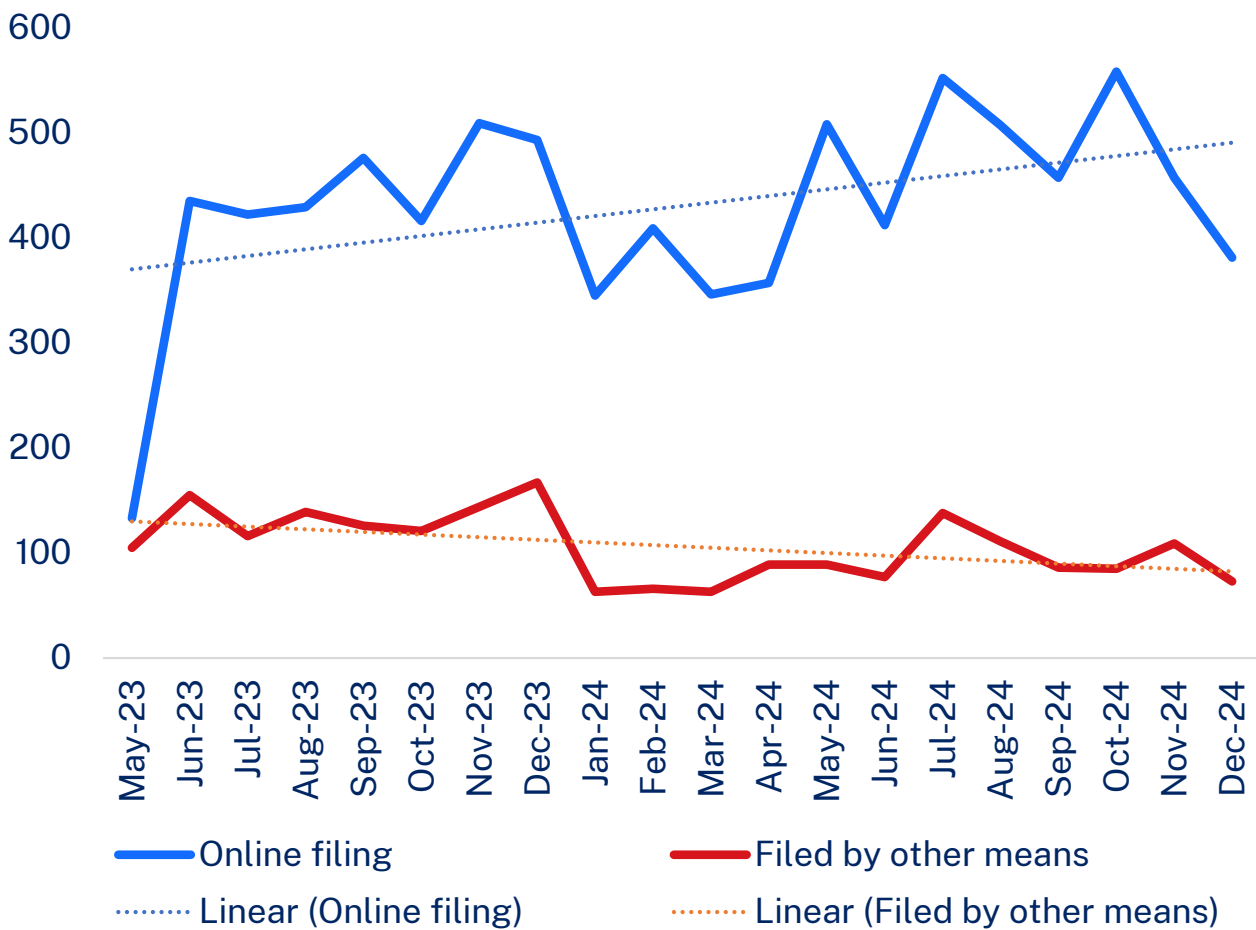
Month	Online Filings	% of all documents filed	Filed by other means	% of all documents filed
Jan 24	345	85%	63	15%
Feb 24	409	86%	66	14%
Mar 24	346	85%	63	15%
Apr 24	357	80%	89	20%
May 24	508	85%	89	15%
Jun 24	412	84%	77	16%
Jul 24	552	80%	138	20%
Aug 24	507	82%	111	18%
Sep 24	457	84%	86	16%
Oct 24	558	87%	85	13%
Nov 24	457	81%	109	19%
Dec 24	381	84%	73	16%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,289</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>1,049</b>	<b>17%</b>

Note: Documents filed manually may be not recorded consistently in the source system and the numbers may not reflect all documents filed by other means. Comparison only of documents that are available to file online.



## Online Filing

Online filings available from 15 May 2023





## Workload summary 2024

New	Finalised	Pending*	Type
390 (60%)	380 (68%)	366	Statements of claim
262 (40%)	178 (32%)	334	Cross claims
<b>652</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>

\* Pending as at 31 December 2023

### Disease Claims by Disease type:

New	Pending	Disease Type
213 (54.62%)	156 (43%)	Mesothelioma
19 (4.87%)	19 (5%)	Carcinoma
65 (16.67%)	77 (21%)	Asbestosis
43 (11.03%)	46 (13%)	Asbestos related pleural disease (ARPD)
31 (7.95%)	47 (13%)	Silicosis
9 (2.31%)	16 (4% )	Other Claims*
3 (0.77%)	0	Summons
7 (1.79%)	5 (1%)	Part 4, Division 6 Claims for contribution
<b>390</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>

\*Other claims include: compensation to relatives, asthma, chronic bronchitis, bronchitis, emphysema, hard metal pneumoconiosis, coal dust pneumoconiosis, other pathological condition.

### Disease and Contribution Claims:

No. Filed	Type
262	Contribution Claims
390	Disease Claims



## Status of pending workload as at 31 December 2024

Disease Type	Filed	Case management	CRP** active	CRP** suspended	Hearing	Pending
Mesothelioma	75	11	64	4	2	156
Carcinoma	9	5	4	1	0	19
Asbestosis	25	9	43	0	0	77
Asbestos related pleural disease (ARPD)	15	3	25	3	0	46
Silicosis	1	45	0	0	1	47
Other Claims*	1	12	0	0	3	16
Part 4, Division 6 Claims for contribution	1	3	1	0	0	5
<b>DDT Claims</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>366</b>
<b>Cross Claims</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>334</b>

\*Other claims include: compensation to relatives, asthma, chronic bronchitis, bronchitis, emphysema, hard metal pneumoconiosis, coal dust pneumoconiosis, other pathological condition.

\*\* CRP - As of mid-June 2020, reporting has changed with the use of a new case management system. CRP Inactive is now counted in CRP Suspended status and Filed is now an active status

## Insights

The total number of claims filed in 2024 (652 claims) decreased by 2.5% from 2023 (669 claims).

The total number of claims finalised in 2023 (558 claims) decreased by 12% from 2023 (633 claims).

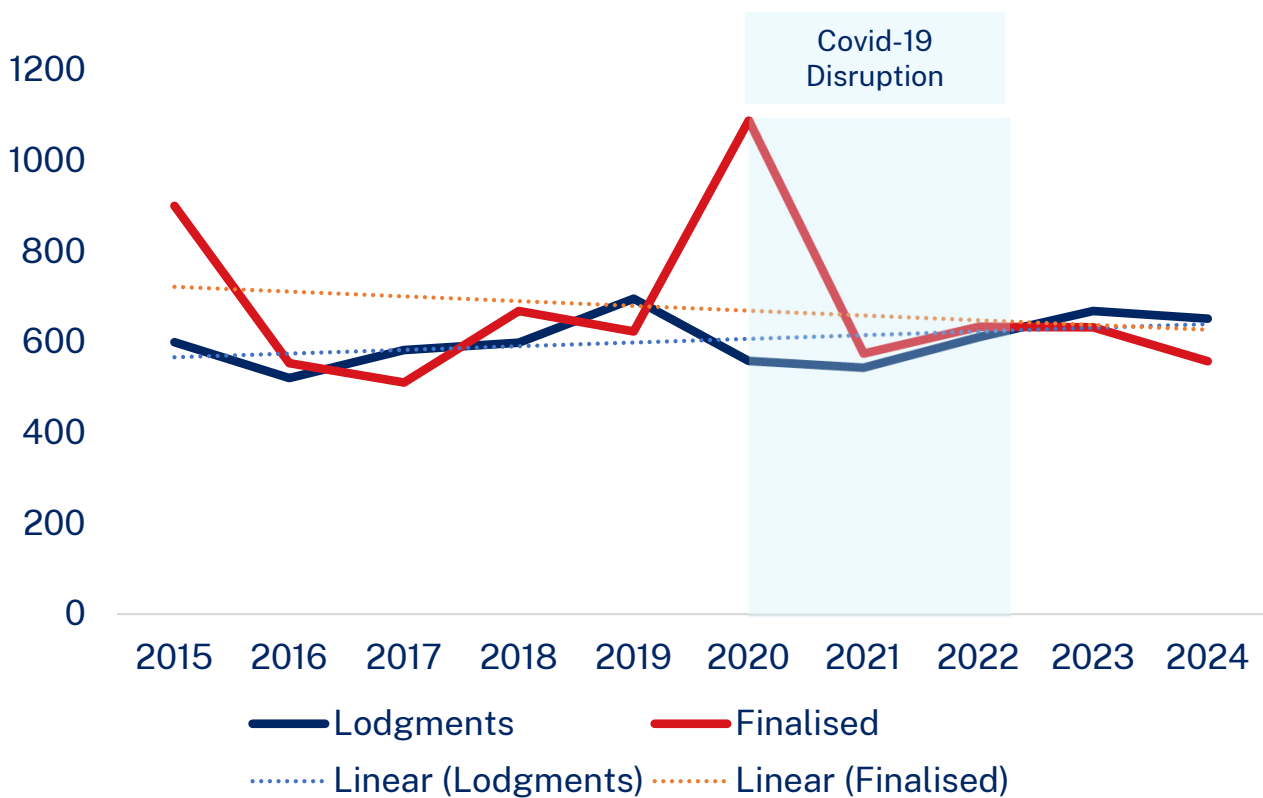
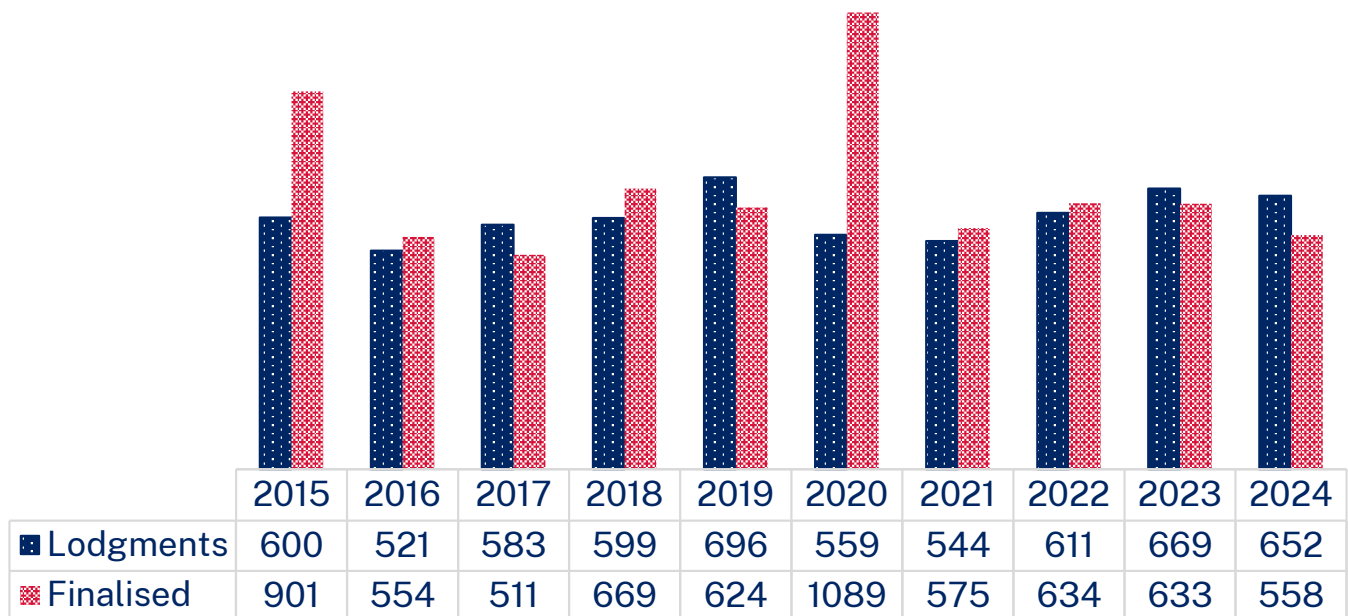
## Provisional damages awarded

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Claim	328	369	418	475	534
Cross Claim	22	38	54	86	111
<b>Total</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>407</b>	<b>472</b>	<b>561</b>	<b>645</b>

Data for provisional damages as at the 31 December each year.



## Yearly comparison (10 year trend)

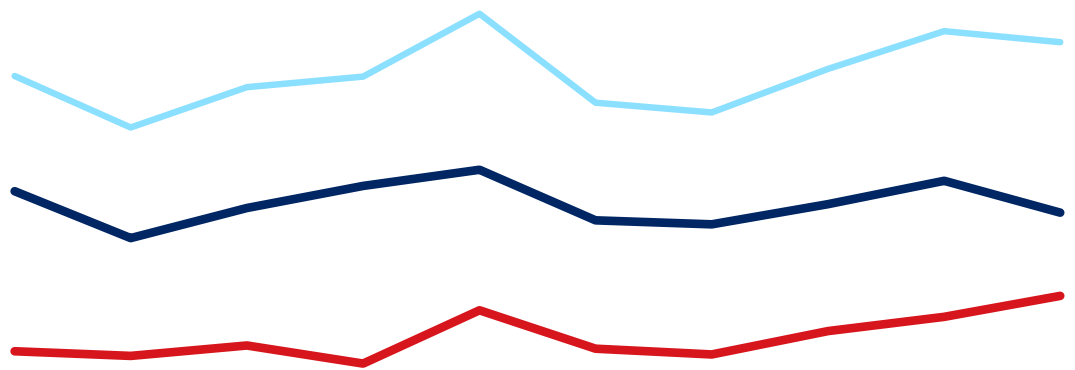


Data includes both Statements of Claim and Cross Claims.



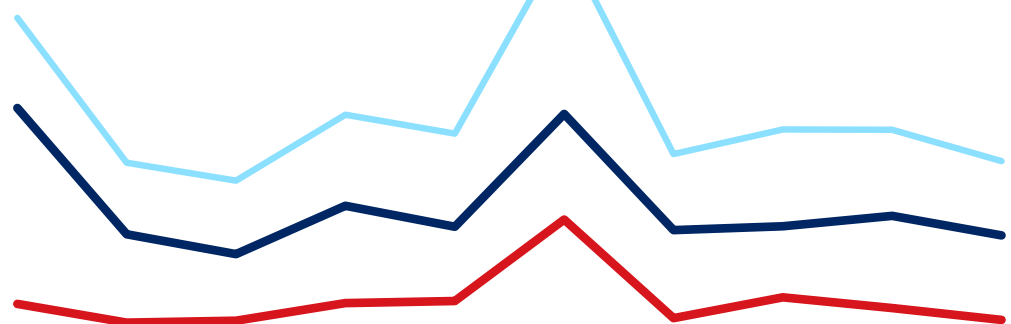
## Yearly comparison (10 year trend) continued

### Lodgments



	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Claim	423	351	397	431	456	378	372	403	439	390
Cross Claim	177	170	186	158	240	181	172	208	230	262
Total	600	521	583	599	696	559	544	611	669	652

### Finalisations

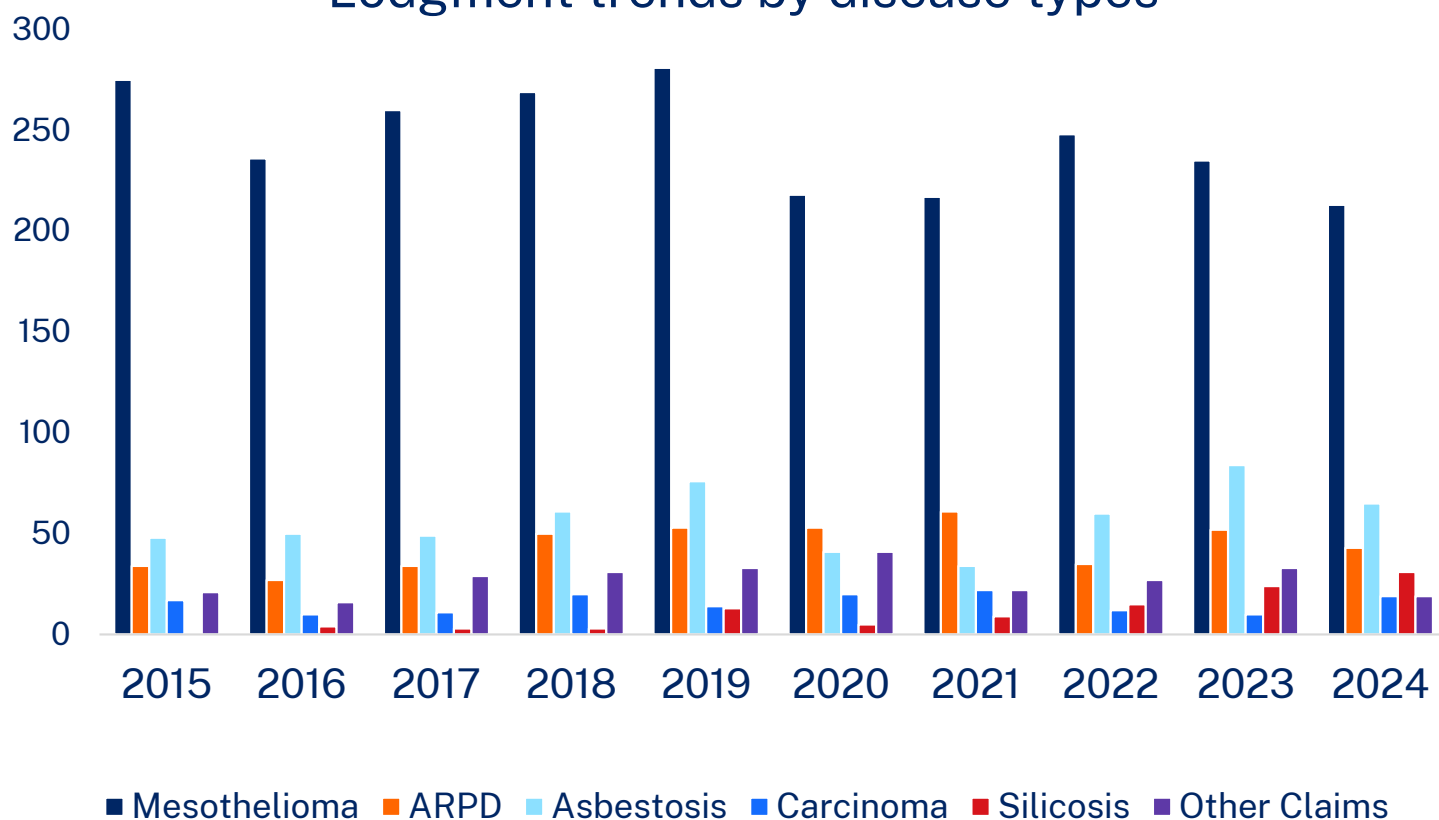


	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Claim	685	383	335	451	401	671	393	402	427	380
Cross Claim	216	171	176	218	223	418	182	232	206	178
Total	901	554	511	669	624	1,089	575	634	633	558



## Yearly comparison (10 year trend) continued

### Lodgment trends by disease types



	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Mesothelioma	275	236	260	269	281	218	217	248	235	213
ARPD	34	27	34	50	53	53	61	35	52	43
Asbestosis	48	50	49	61	76	41	34	60	84	65
Carcinoma	17	10	11	20	14	20	22	12	10	19
Silicosis	0	4	3	3	13	5	9	15	24	31
Other Claims	21	16	29	31	33	41	22	27	33	19

In June 2020, a new case management system allowed for a change to reporting requirements. Carcinoma and Silicosis are counted separately and no longer included in 'Other claims'. Other claims includes Statement of Claim (Division 6) with No injuries – Cross Claim, Compensation to Relatives, Emphysema, Coal dust pneumoconiosis, Hard metal pneumoconiosis, Chronic bronchitis, Bronchitis, Asthma, Other Pathological condition.



## Bedside Sitzings 2024

Month	Sydney	Regional	Interstate	Overseas	AVL	TOTAL
January			2		2	2
February	2	1			2	3
March		1			1	1
April						0
May	1		1		1	2
June						0
July		1	2		3	3
August						0
September						0
October						0
November		1	1		2	2
December	1		3		4	4
TOTAL	4	4	9	0	15	17

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Bedside Sitzings	30	25	23	18	24	12	19	17



## Registrar's issues and listing conferences

Month	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
January	0	0	0	0	0	0
February	2	4	9	2	3	0
March	0	1	1	3	0	2
April	2	2	0	0	2	5
May	0	2	4	1	0	1
June	0	0	2	0	8	0
July	0	2	1	0	1	1
August	1	2	8	1	4	2
September	0	2	4	0	4	0
October	0	2	3	3	1	1
November	3	2	7	3	7	0
December	1	2	1	1	3	5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>17</b>