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## Workers' Comp Benefits: How Much is a Limb Worth?

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If you suffer a permanent injury on the job, you're typically entitled to compensation for the damage to your body and your future lost wages. But depending on the state, benefits for the same body part can differ dramatically. *Related Story* »

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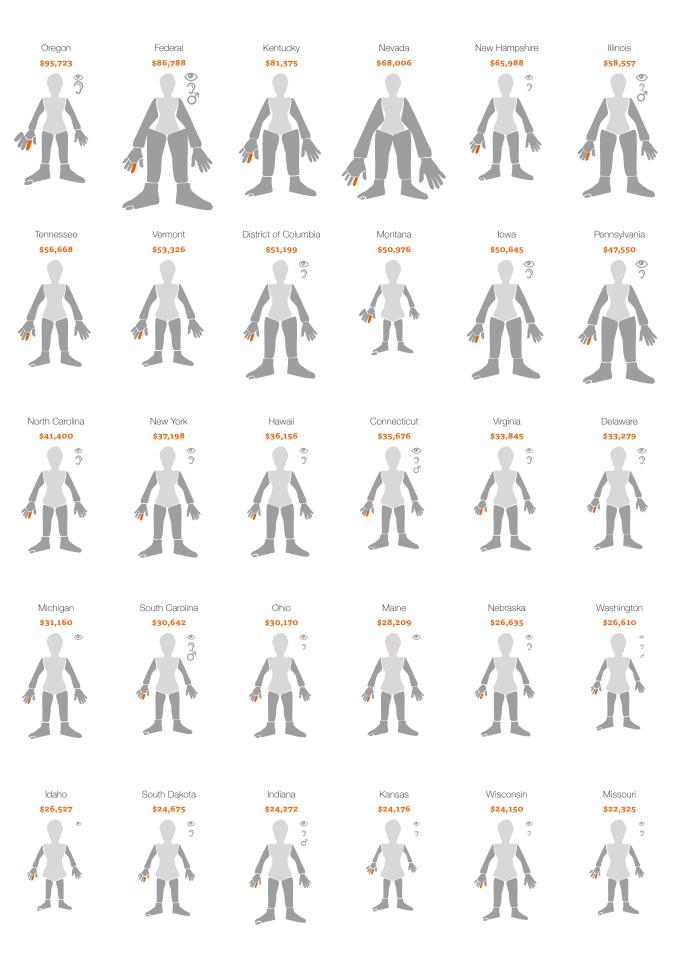
Select a state to see the maximum it pays for different body parts.

The average maximum compensation for one

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The USA is \$24,474



NOTE: Compensation for the loss of certain body parts is only one part of a larger system. States may be more or less generous in other aspects of their workers' comp benefits.

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