



# WORKERS' COMP MYTHS

## MYTH

"I don't want to go against my Employer."

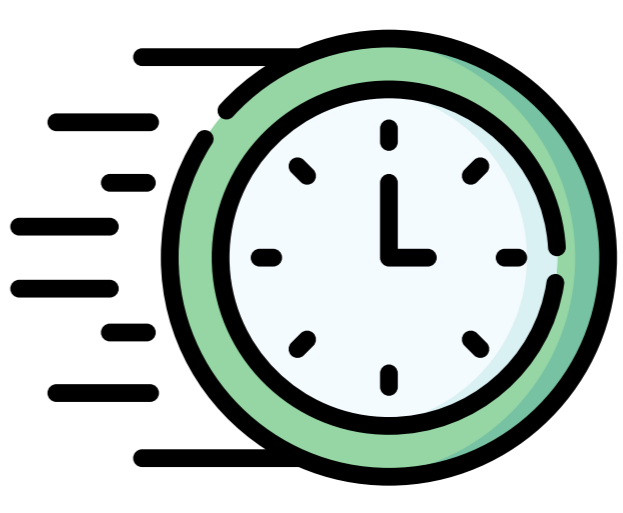
## TRUTH

Most employers in Missouri have work comp insurance, so the claim is really against their insurance company

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"Filing for workers' comp will ruin my reputation."



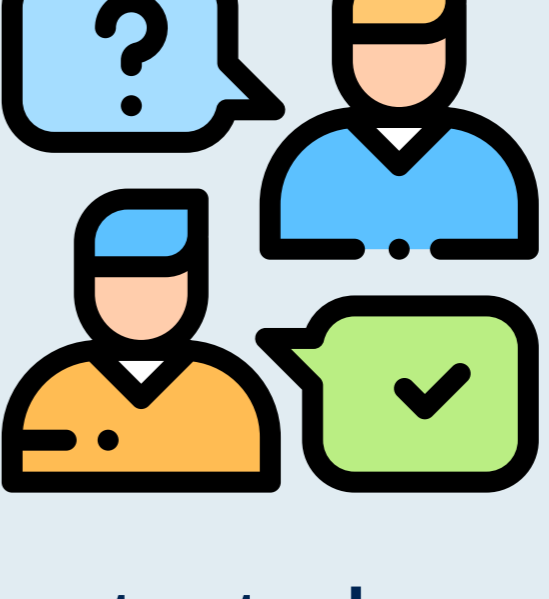
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<p><b>37%</b></p> <p>of Americans believe that others use worker's compensation as an excuse to avoid work.<sup>1</sup></p>	<p><b>1-2%</b></p> <p>Percentage of these claims are actually fraudulent.<sup>2</sup></p>
<p><b>#1</b></p> <p>reason many employees don't file for workers' comp is their concern over reputation and what others will think.</p>	 <p>The longer you wait to file, the less likely you are to be able to collect benefits, and the worse your injury can become.</p>

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"I could get fired for making a claim."


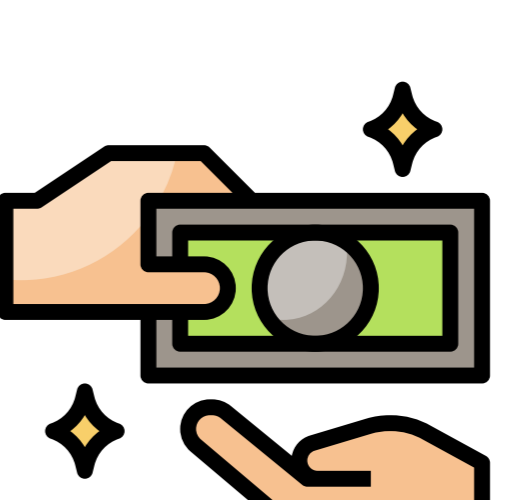
## TRUTH

	<p>Missouri law forbids employers from retaliating or discriminating against an employee in any way for filing for workers' compensation, or for having an attorney assist you with your case.</p>
 <p>If an employer violates this law, consult an attorney and file a lawsuit.</p>	 <p>Once you've contacted a workers' comp lawyer, they will facilitate all communication between your employer and workers' comp insurance.</p>

## MYTH

"Filing for workers' comp is too expensive."

## TRUTH

 <p>NOT making a claim when you've been injured is the more costly route.</p>	 <p>Workers' compensation benefits help with lost wages while out of work, medical bills, and compensation for any permanent disfigurement or disability caused by the illness or injury.</p>
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1. According to Summit Pharmacy  
 2. <https://www.pbs.org/wgbh/pages/frontline/shows/workplace/etc/fraud.html>

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