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Normal

Chronic ‘Simple’ CWP

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Coal Workers’ Pneumoconiosis (CWP)

Progressive massive fibrosis
Complicated pneumoconiosis

Source: NIOSH Coal Workers’ X-ray Surveillance Program (CWXSP)
Percent of miners with Coal Workers’ Pneumoconiosis (CWP) by tenure in mining, 1970-2006

SOURCE: NIOSH Coal Workers’ X-ray Surveillance Program (CWXSP) as cited in NIOSH 2007 WoRLD Report, Figure 2-4.
Coal Workers’ Pneumoconiosis (CWP)

Prevalences of CWP and Abnormal Spirometry

*Miners tested and no disease found

Timelines:
- CWP (%): 8.9 - 36.4, 3.2 - 8.8, >0.0 - 3.1, Zero*
- Spi-Abn (%): 16.7 - 28.6, 11.4 - 16.6, 9.3 - 11.3, >0.0 - 9.2, Zero*

*Miners tested and no disease found
Federal Black Lung Benefits Program Expenditures
Cumulative Totals for Fiscal Year 1970 - 2009

Part C involves claims filed after June 30, 1973, and is administered by DOL
Part B, originally administered by SSA and now being managed by DOL since October 2001 involves claims filed before July 1, 1973

Total Benefits Paid to all beneficiaries (former miners, widows and dependents) is $44.2 Billion

Source: Department of Labor, Office of Workers’ Compensation, Division of Coal Mine Workers’ Compensation