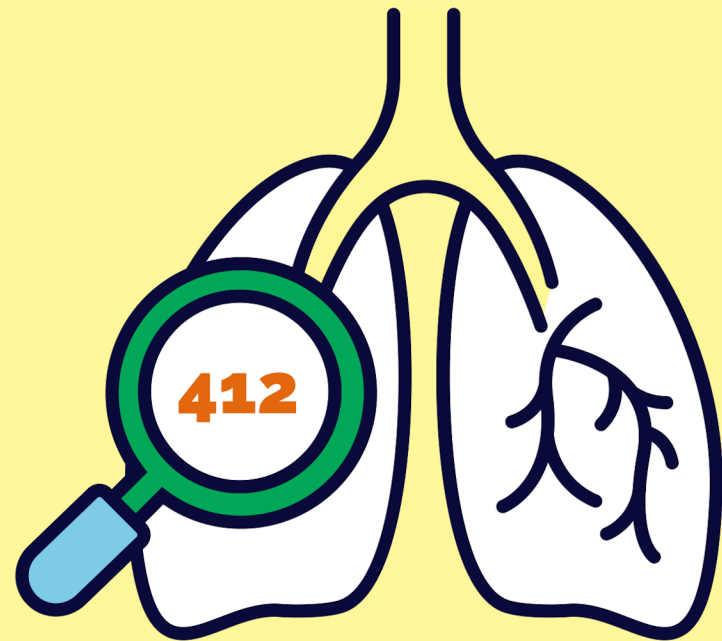
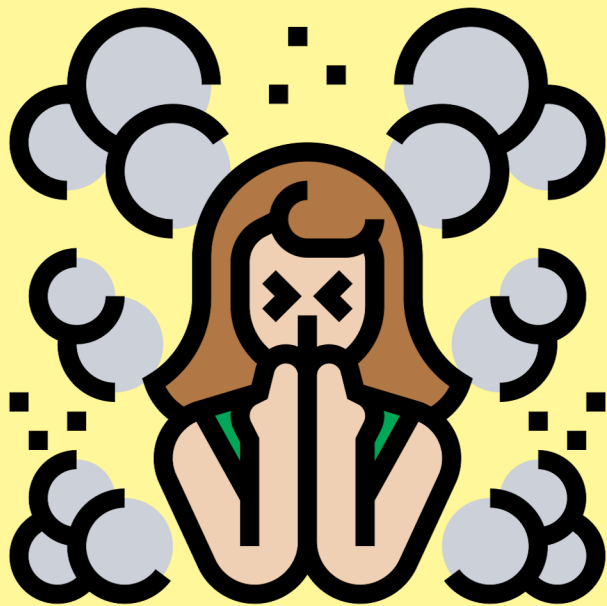


# National data

Between 2010-11 and 2019-20 there were 412 accepted workers' compensation claims for silicosis across Australia.



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lung cancers**

A recent Australian study suggests a significant increase in levels of exposure, with approximately 584,050 Australian workers currently exposed to respirable crystalline silica (RCS).

The study also expects that between 83,090 and 103,860 silicosis cases and 10,390 lung cancers will result from current RCS exposure.