

Table 1
Summary of Illness/Injury Associated with Suspected Pesticide Exposure
Reported by California Physicians*
1998

Type of Illness	Adequate or Complete Data											Incomplete Data	
	Occupational					Non-Occupational					All Unrelated	Insufficient ⁶	Unavailable ⁷
	Def ¹	Pro ²	Pos ³	Unl ⁴	Ind ⁵	Def	Pro	Pos	Unl	Ind			
Systemic	30	257	213	78	1	4	40	30	10	0	88	8	38
Eye	143	49	33	3	0	1	2	1	0	0	86	4	15
Skin	29	51	93	12	1	0	0	4	1	0	50	4	11
Eye/Skin	9	5	2	3	0	0	1	1	0	0	6	0	3
None/Not Determined⁸	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	4	17
Subtotal	211	362	341	96	2	5	43	36	11	0	270	20	84
Total	1012					95					270	104	

* Source: California Department of Pesticide Regulation, Pesticide Illness Surveillance Program

¹ Def - Definitely related to pesticide exposure

² Pro - Probably related to pesticide exposure

³ Pos - Possibly related to pesticide exposure

⁴ Unl - Unlikely to be related to pesticide exposure

⁵ Ind - Indirectly related to pesticide use

⁶ Insufficient – The data collected was not adequate to make a determination on its causality to pesticides

⁷ Unavailable – The information necessary to determine causality could not be collected (i.e. necessary witnesses or persons involved could not be located)

⁸ Not determined - A relationship and/or illness type could not be determined from the information available