

RECA Claimant Categories Summary

Please see [42 U.S.C. § 2210](#) note for authoritative text.

- I. **Uranium Miners:** A payment of \$100,000 is available to eligible individual employed in aboveground or underground uranium mines located in Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Wyoming, South Dakota, Washington, Utah, Idaho, North Dakota, Oregon, and Texas at any time during the period beginning on January 1, 1942 and ending on December 31, 1971. Additional mining States may be included for compensation upon application.
 - A. Exposure: The claimant must have been exposed to 40 or more working level months (WLMs) of radiation while employed in a uranium mine, or worked for at least one year in a uranium mine during the relevant time period.
 - B. Disease: Compensable diseases include primary lung cancer and certain nonmalignant respiratory diseases.

- II. **Uranium Mill Workers:** A payment of \$100,000 is available to eligible individuals employed in uranium mines located in Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Wyoming, South Dakota, Washington, Utah, Idaho, North Dakota, Oregon, and Texas at any time during the period beginning on January 1, 1942 and ending on December 31, 1971.
 - A. Exposure: The claimant must have worked in a uranium mill for at least one year during the relevant time period.
 - B. Disease: Compensable diseases included primary lung cancer, certain nonmalignant respiratory diseases, renal cancer, and other chronic renal disease including nephritis and kidney tubal tissue injury.

- III. **Ore Transporters:** A payment of \$100,000 is available to eligible individuals employed in the transport of uranium ore or vanadium-uranium ore from mines or mills located in Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Wyoming, South Dakota, Washington, Utah, Idaho, North Dakota, Oregon, and Texas at any time during the period beginning on January 1, 1942 and ending on December 31, 1971.
 - A. Exposure: The claimant must have transported ore for at least one year during the relevant time period.
 - B. Disease: Compensable diseases include primary lung cancer, certain nonmalignant respiratory diseases, renal cancer, and other chronic renal diseases including nephritis and kidney tubal tissue injury.

- IV. **Downwinders:** A payment of \$50,000 is available to an eligible individual who was physically present in one of the affected areas downwind of the Nevada Test Site during a period of atmospheric nuclear testing, and later contracted a specified compensable disease.
 - A. Exposure: The claimant must have lived or worked downwind of atmospheric nuclear tests in certain counties in Utah, Nevada, and Arizona for a period of at least two years during the period beginning on January 21 1951 and ending on October 31, 1958, or for the period beginning on June 30, 1962 and ending on July 31, 1962. The designated affected areas are: in the State of Utah, the counties of Beaver, Garfield, Iron, Kane, Millard, Piute, San Juan, Sevier, Washington, and Wayne; in the State of Nevada, the counties of Eureka, Lander, Lincoln, Nye, White Pine, and that portion of Clark County that consists of township 13 through 16 at ranges 63 through 71; and in the State of Arizona, the counties of Apache,

Coconino, Gila, Navajo, Yavapai, and that part of Arizona that is north of the Grand Canyon.

- B. Disease: After such period of physical presence, the claimant contracted one of the following specified diseases; leukemia (other than chronic lymphocytic leukemia), multiple myeloma, lymphomas (other than Hodgkin's disease), and primary cancer of the thyroid, male or female breast, esophagus, stomach, pharynx, small intestine, pancreas, bile ducts, gall bladder, salivary gland, urinary bladder, brain, colon, ovary, or liver (except if cirrhosis or hepatitis B is indicated), or lung.
- V. **Onsite Participants:** A payment of \$ 75,000 is available to eligible individuals who participated onsite in a test involving the atmospheric detonation of a nuclear device, and later developed a specified compensable disease.
- A. Exposure: The claimant must have been present "onsite" above or within the official boundaries of the Nevada, Pacific, Trinity, or South Atlantic Test Sites at any time during a period of atmospheric nuclear testing and must have "participated" during that time in the atmospheric detonation of a nuclear device.
 - B. Disease: After the onsite participation in the atmospheric detonation of a nuclear device, the claimant contracted one of the following specified diseases: leukemia (other than chronic lymphocytic leukemia), lung cancer, multiple myeloma, lymphomas (other than Hodgkin's disease), and primary cancer of the thyroid, male or female breast, esophagus, stomach, pharynx, small intestine, pancreas, bile ducts, gall bladder, salivary gland, urinary bladder, brain, colon, ovary, or liver (except if cirrhosis or hepatitis B is indicated) or lung.