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\$5.1 million SS*: 50
\$2.1 million V*: 51
hands,
\$5.1 million SS*: 50
\$2.1 million V*: 51
\$625,000 SS*: 175
neck,
\$5.1 million SS*: 50
\$2.1 million V*: 51

second-degree,
\$2.1 million V*: 51
third-degree,
\$36 million S*: 53
\$8 million S: 67
\$6 million S: 67
\$4.8 million S: 67
\$2.1 million V*: 51
wrist,
\$625,000 SS*: 175
\$100,000 S: 28

consortium, loss of

\$1.5 million V: 69
\$10,000 V: 28

crush injuries

fingers,
\$3.35 million V*: 117
foot,
\$250,000 S*: 91
hand,
\$850,000 V: 160
\$200,000 S: 48

diseases/disorders

asbestosis,
\$1.58 million comp. and
\$10 million pun. V: 160
chondromalacia,
\$2.31 million V*: 71
gastric problems,
\$46.6 million V*: 31
Guillain-Barré syndrome,
\$3.23 million V: 158
hepatitis A infection,
\$6.25 million SS*: 7
manganism,
\$1.5 million-\$2 million S: 30
mesothelioma,
\$18.5 million V: 201
\$1.92 million V: 141
respiratory infections, chronic,
\$22.6 million S*: 3
sinus infections, chronic,
\$22.6 million S*: 3

economic injuries

business/profits, lost
\$60 million V: 139
\$12.5 million S: 111
replacement costs,
bulletproof vests,
\$40 million class action S:
111

fractures

ankle,

\$900,200 V: 55
back,
\$36 million S*: 53
elbow,
\$735,000 S*: 29
facial,
\$26.88 million V*: 119
\$4.1 million S*: 52
\$1.5 million V* and
\$150,000 S*: 202
\$1 million S*: 140
\$600,000 S*: 204
orbital bone,
\$650,000 AA*: 49
femur,
\$1 million S*: 140
finger,
\$3.35 million V*: 117
\$975,000 S: 72
forearm,
\$1 million S*: 140
hand,
\$200,000 S*: 48
head,
\$26.88 million V*: 119
hip,
\$3 million comp. and
\$9 million pun. V*: 69
knee,
\$2.31 million V*: 71
pelvic,
\$7 million V*: 121
rib,
\$3.5 million V: 8
\$625,000 S*: 118
scapular,
\$625,000 S*: 118
shoulder,
\$7 million V*: 121
\$1 million S*: 140
skull,
\$1.83 million S*: 5
spinal,
C5-6,
\$29.52 million V: 76
\$1.5 million S: 77
L1-2,
\$3.93 million V: 181
L4-5,
\$7.5 million S: 36
T10,
\$6.2 million comp. and
\$12.5 million pun. V:
120
\$625,000 S*: 118
T12-L1,
\$16.95 million V: 10
thoracic area,

\$1.59 million S: 91	\$6.25 million SS*: 7	nerve damage,	\$1 million V and \$350,000
wrist,	cardiac problems,	\$7 million V*: 121	S*: 203
\$2.31 million V*: 71	\$46.6 million V*: 31	knee, dislocated,	\$150,000 S* and \$100,000
\$735,000 S*: 29	heart, enlarged,	\$7 million V*: 121	V: 203
head/ facial injuries	\$3 million comp. and	pain,	\$200,000 S: 67
closed head injury,	\$9 million pun. V*: 69	\$600,000 S*: 204	\$15,000 S: 48
\$4.1 million S*: 52	internal injuries	<i>see also fractures, above</i>	\$10,000 S: 48
\$600,000 S*: 204	lacerations,	neurological injuries	\$10,000 S: 48
eye,	mouth,	nerve injury,	depression,
corneal laceration,	\$27,800 V*: 115	fibers, loss of,	\$250,000 S*: 8
\$375,000 S: 115	rectum,	\$3.23 million V: 158	emotional injuries,
loss of,	\$27,800 V*: 115	foot drop,	\$625,000 SS*: 175
\$4.1 million S*: 52	spleen,	\$7 million V*: 121	internal injuries, fear of,
optic nerve damage,	\$3.5 million V: 8	spinal,	\$27,800 V*: 115
\$600,000 S*: 204	liver failure,	\$2.1 million S*: 112	sensory injuries
retinal damage,	\$6.25 million SS*: 7	thoracic radiculitis,	hearing, loss of, partial,
\$1.5 million V* and	lungs,	\$625,000 S*: 118	\$1.83 million S*: 5
\$150,000 S*: 203	pneumothorax, bilateral,	peripheral neuropathy,	sight,
ruptured globe,	\$625,000 S*: 118	\$46.6 million V*: 31	double vision,
\$650,000 AA*: 49	renal failure, acute,	\$625,000 S*: 118	\$26.88 million V*:
\$425,000 S: 27	\$2 million S: 156	paralyzing injuries	119
lacerations,	stomach, punctured,	paraplegia,	loss of, partial,
\$2.15 million comp. and \$4	\$7 million V: 121	\$16.95 million V: 10	\$4.1 million S*: 52
million pun. V*: 28	vocal cord paralysis, partial,	\$7.5 million S: 36	\$650,000 AA*: 49
\$2.1 million S*: 112	\$6.25 million SS*: 7	\$1.59 million S: 91	\$425,000 S: 27
\$1.5 million V* and	leg injuries	quadriplegia,	\$375,000 S: 115
\$150,000 S*: 202	amputation,	\$43.1 million SS: 178	smell, loss of,
\$140,000 S*: 48	\$36 million S*: 53	\$1.5 million S: 77	\$26.88 million V*: 119
<i>see also fractures, above, sensory</i>	foot,	incomplete,	taste, loss of,
<i>injuries, below</i>	amputation, partial,	\$29.52 million V: 76	\$26.88 million V*: 119
heart injuries/damage	\$1.75 million S: 50	psychological injuries	whole-body injuries
cardiac arrest,	degloving,	bystander emotional distress,	lacerations,
\$3 million comp. and	\$250,000 S*: 91		\$4.1 million S*: 52
\$9 million pun. V*: 69			

Wrongful Death Awards

Men

\$61.2 million V, 18-year-old man planning to attend college, survived by his parents and twin sister: 33

\$7 million comp. and \$25 million pun. V, 71-year-old retiree, survived by his wife and three adult sons: 89

\$7.6 million comp. and \$6 million pun. V, 41-year-old corrections officer earning \$40,000 annually, survived by his wife, adult son, and mother: 179

\$10.4 million V, 61-year-old retiree, survived by his wife and three children: 199

\$3.1 million V, 70-year-old retiree, survived by his wife and three adult children: 56

\$2 million comp. and \$1 million pun. V, 66-year-old retiree, survived by his wife: 51

\$3 million S, 46-year-old warehouseman earning about \$25,000 annually, survived by his wife: 178

\$2 million S, 29-year-old textile company executive, survived by his wife and two minor sons: 53

Children

\$20.42 million comp. and \$10 million pun. V, 16-year-old girl, survived by her parents and four sisters: 11

\$16.6 million V, 13-year-old boy, survived by his parents and one brother: 205

\$5 million V, 1-year-old boy, survived by his parents and four siblings: 197

\$4.5 million V, 2-year-old girl, survived by her parents, brother, and half-brother: 96

\$2 million V, 4-year-old boy, survived by his parents and one brother: 176

\$1.55 million S, 15-year-old boy, survived by his parents and two brothers: 145

\$1.02 million V, 4-month-old girl, survived by her parents and one half-brother: 135

Multiple Victims

\$26.05 million S, 56-year-old business executive and his 56-year-old wife, survived by three minor children and five adult children: 74

\$17.5 million V*, five retirees in their 70s: 34

\$12 million S, 23-year-old sign company worker earning about \$45,000 annually, survived by his parents and two minor children; 21-year-old sign company worker earning minimum wage, survived by his parents: 4

\$12 million S*, 29-year-old man, survived by his wife; 24-year-old man, survived by his mother: 12

\$11.1 million V, several people: 210

\$10.13 million V, 41-year-old electrician earning about \$40,000 annually, survived by his wife and two minor sons; 16-year-old boy, survived by his mother: 4

\$6.8 million comp. and \$500,000 pun. V, 57-year-old wireman earning about \$50,000 annually, survived by his wife and son; 30-year-old part-time convenience store clerk earning \$11 hourly, survived by her mother and brother: 136

\$4.35 million S*, 50-year-old telephone company technician earning about \$60,000 annually, survived by his wife, one minor son, and one adult son: 35