

**LC § 4659**

**Effective January 1st, 2004**, and annually after that, the benefits for permanent total disability (PTD) and life pension (LP) will be raised. The increase will be determined by the changes in the California state average weekly wage (SAWW), the average weekly wage paid by employers to employees covered by UI, as reported by the US Department of Labor. This will be based on the 12 months preceding March 31st of the previous calendar year in which the injury occurred.

<b>State Average Weekly Wage % Percentages Table 2004 - to - 2024</b>		
<b>Year</b>	<b>SAWW</b>	<b>% Increase</b>
1/1/2004	\$790.50	0.0000% (None)
1/1/2005	\$806.11	1.974700%
1/1/2006	\$838.42	4.008138%
1/1/2007	\$880.00	4.959328%
1/1/2008	\$914.60	3.931818%
1/1/2009	\$956.20	4.548436%
1/1/2010	\$984.83	2.994144%
1/1/2011	\$979.90	0.000000% (None)
1/1/2012	\$1003.55	2.413512%
1/1/2013	\$1059.38	5.563250%
1/1/2014	\$1067.25	0.742887%
1/1/2015	\$1095.70	2.665730%
1/1/2016	\$1120.67	2.278908%
1/1/2017	\$1,164.51	3.911946%
1/1/2018	\$1,206.92	3.64187%
1/1/2019	\$1,242.78	2.97119%
01/01/20	\$1,325.00	3.84013%
01/01/21	\$1,383.00	\$1,383.00
01/01/22	\$1,383.00	13.5213%
01/01/23	\$1,651.00	5.15924%
<b>01/01/24</b>	<b>\$1,642.00</b>	<b>0 *</b>

*\* If the SAWW does not increase, the benefits would remain the same as the previous year; they would not be reduced.*