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# Fast- vs. Slow-Emerging Large Claims

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# What's The Story With Large Claims This Year?



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# Fast- vs. Slow-Emerging Large Claims (ELCs)

## Large Claim Threshold of **\$1 million**

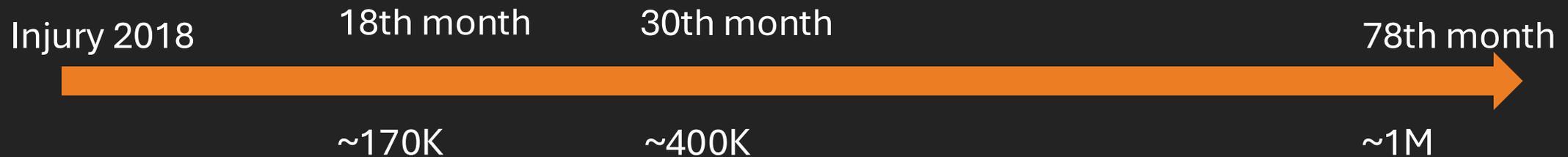
- **Fast<sub>ELC</sub>** : reach \$1 million **within** ~ 2 years of the accident
- **Slow<sub>ELC</sub>** : reach \$1 million **after** 2 years

# Residual Market's Examples of **Fast**<sub>ELC</sub> and **Slow**<sub>ELC</sub>

**Fast**<sub>ELC</sub>: Class 5551 Roofing, Neck injury—Fell from roof



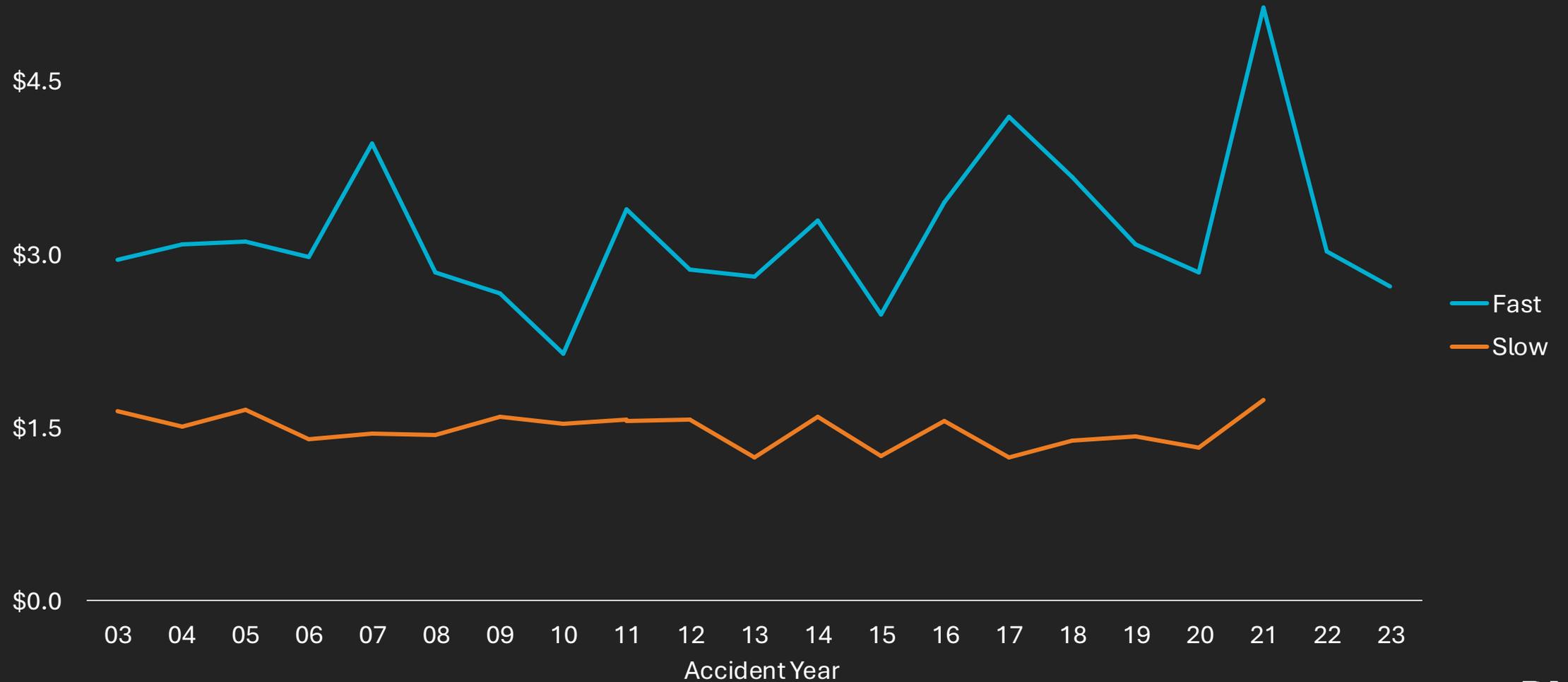
**Slow**<sub>ELC</sub>: Class 7219 Trucking, Multiple injuries—Struck by an object



Source: NCCI's Statistical Plan data, which excludes DE, MA, MI, and NJ; claims are inflation-adjusted to 2024 dollars

# Residual Market Ultimate Severities: **Fast<sub>ELC</sub>** $\approx$ **2x** **Slow<sub>ELC</sub>**

Millions

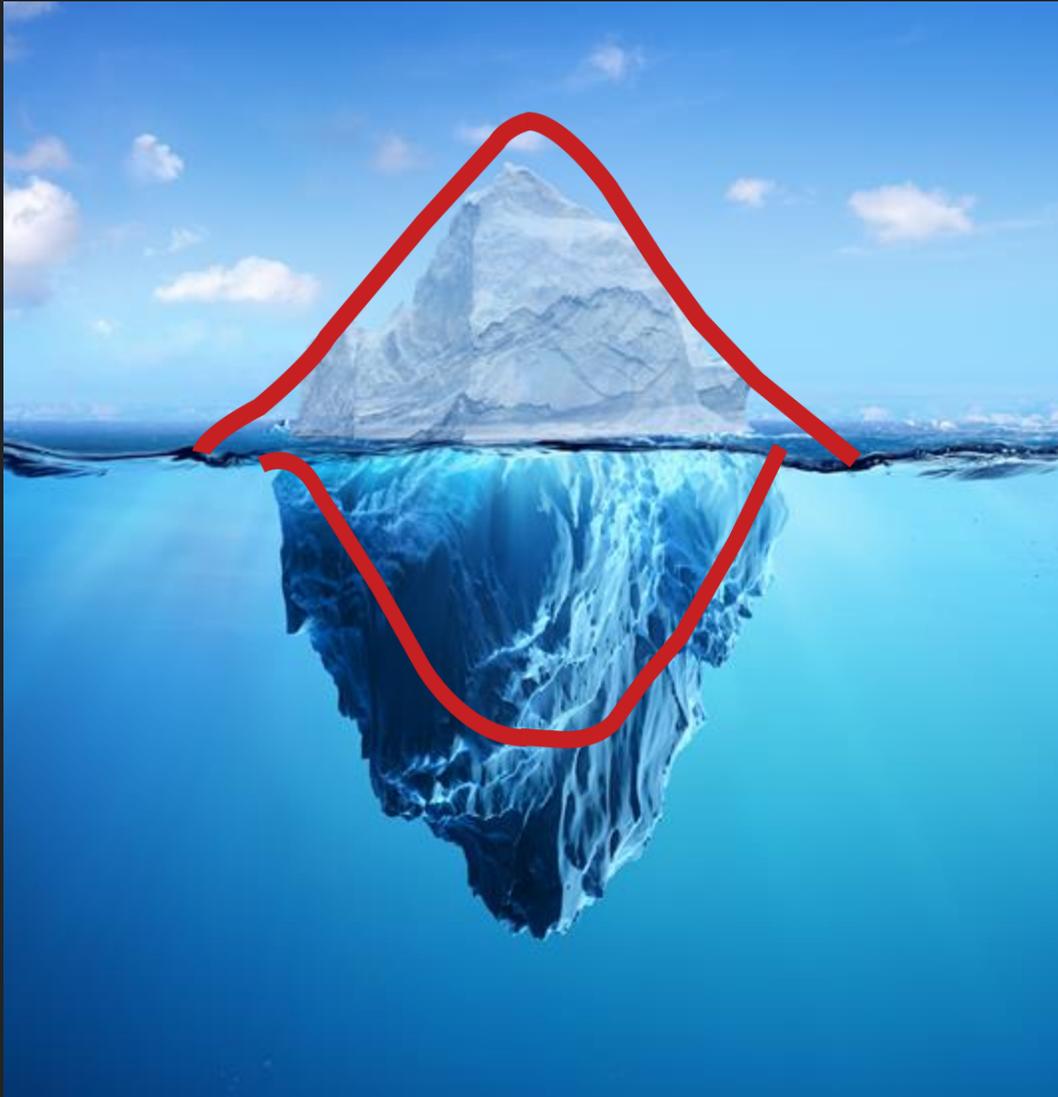


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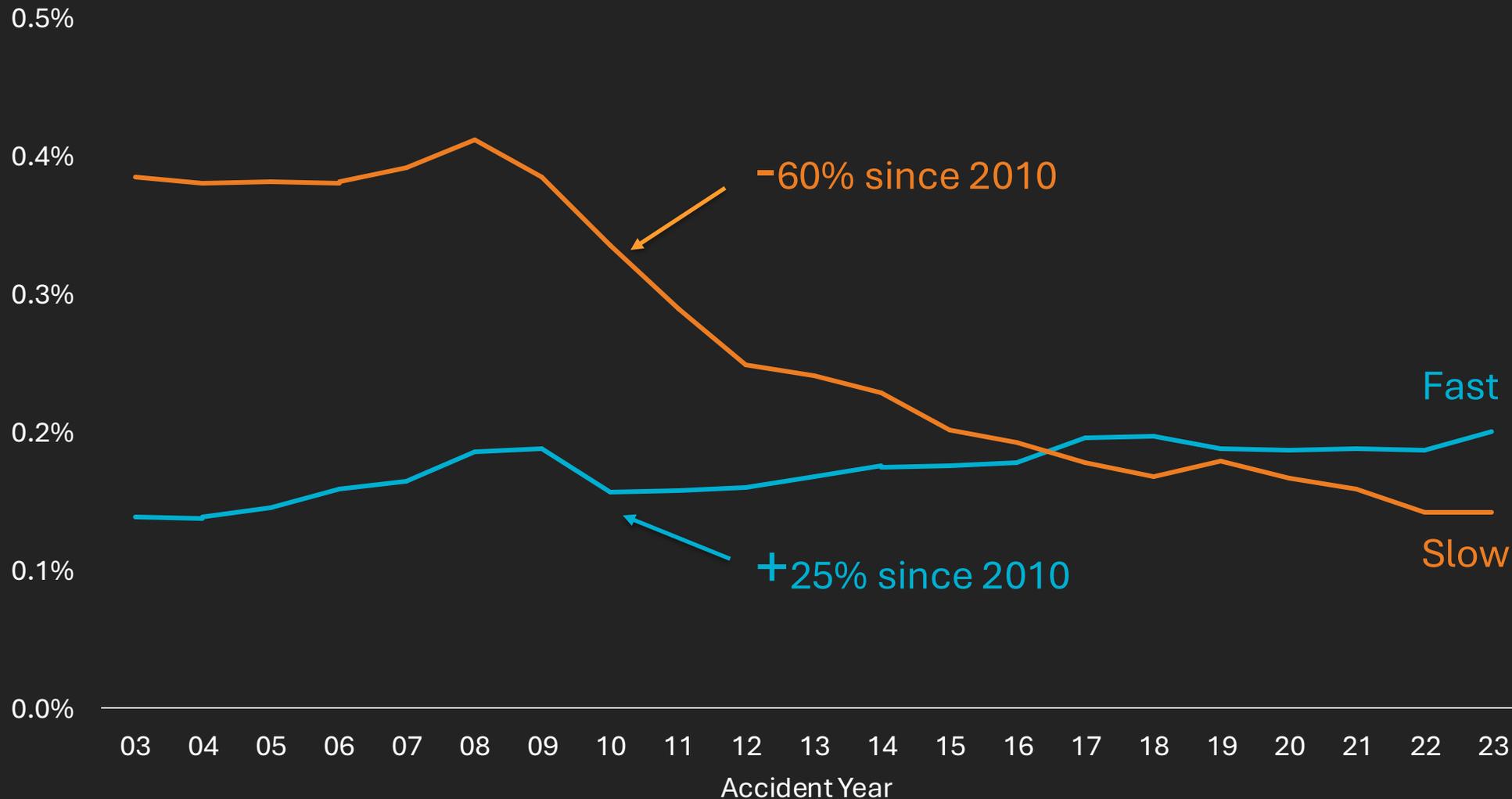
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# Trends in Large Claims (Voluntary + Residual Markets)



- The share of **Fast<sub>ELC</sub>** has been gradually rising
- The share of **Slow<sub>ELC</sub>** has declined significantly

# Share of **Fast<sub>ELC</sub>** and **Slow<sub>ELC</sub>** Among Lost-Time Claims Voluntary + Residual Markets



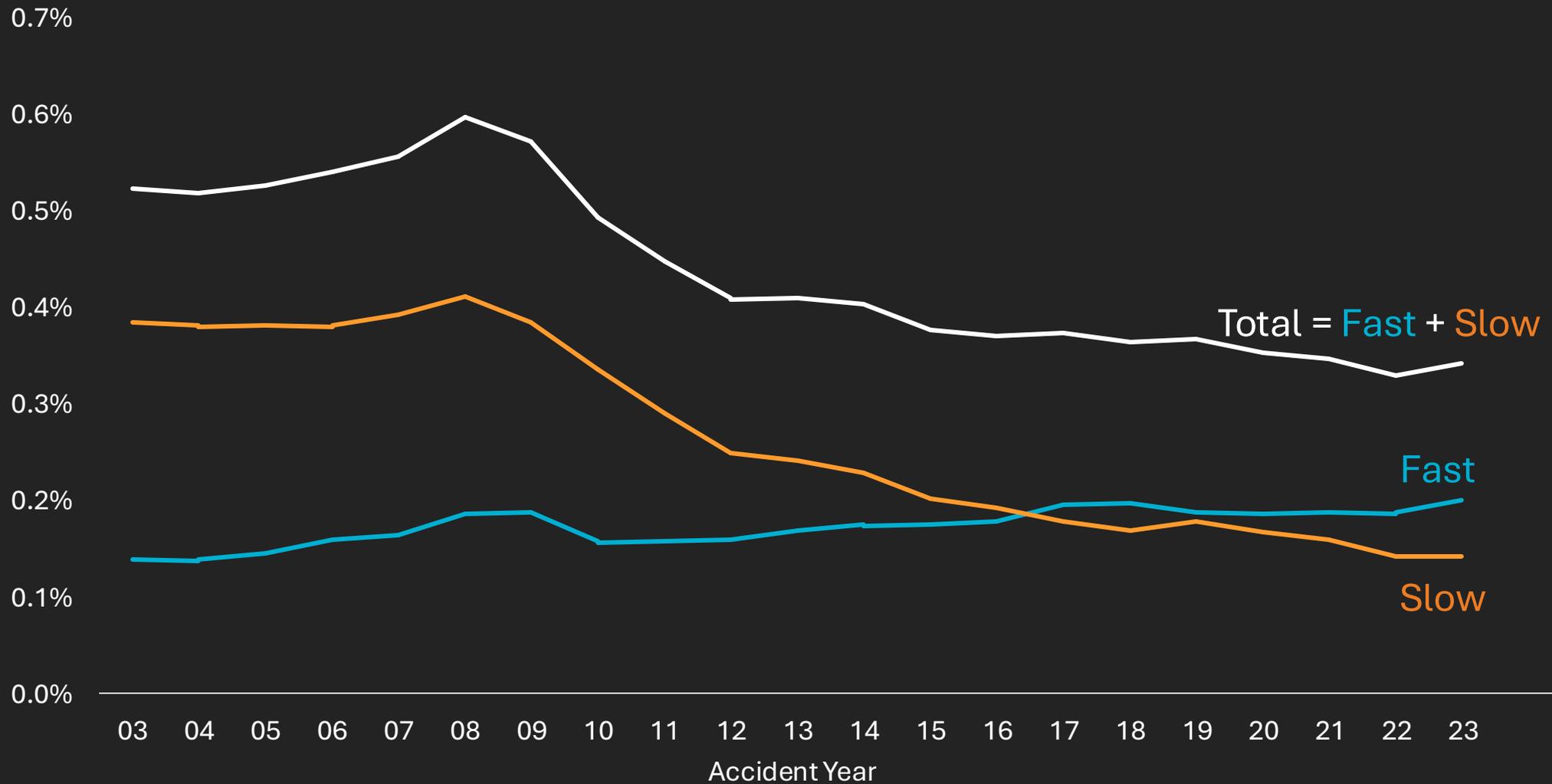
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# Share of Large Claims Among Lost-Time Claims

## Voluntary + Residual Markets

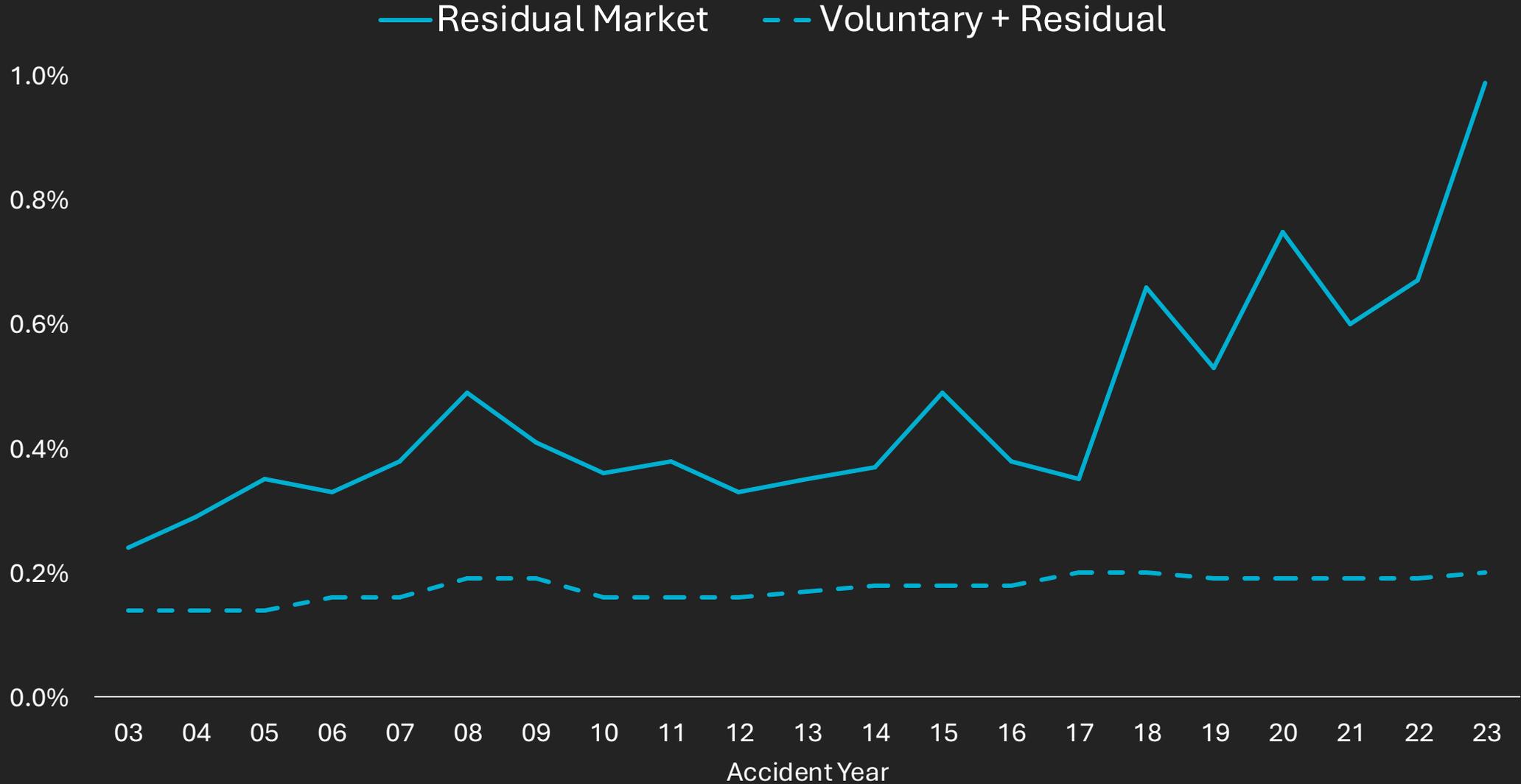


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# Residual Market's Share of **Fast<sub>ELC</sub>** Among Lost-Time Claims

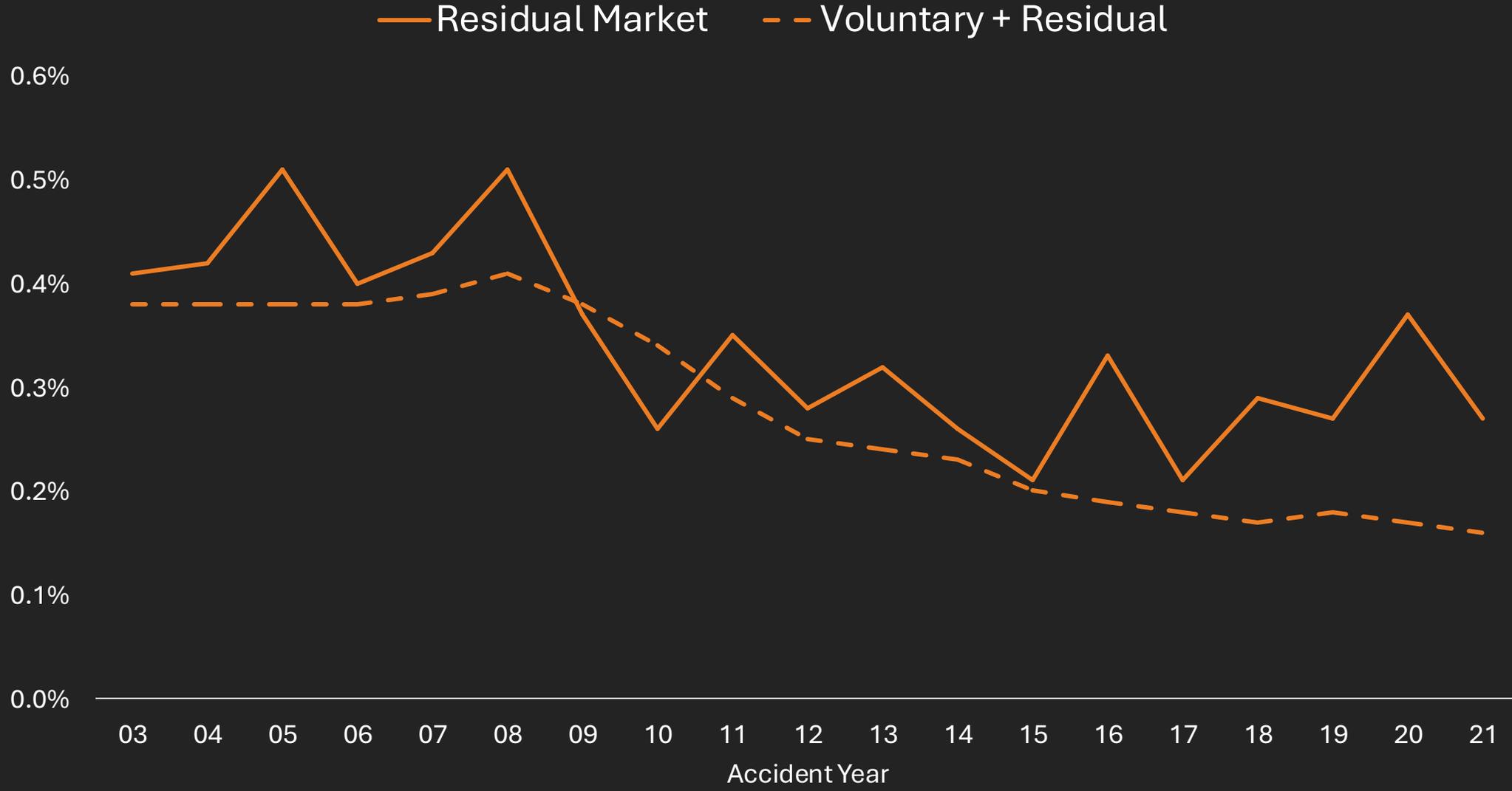


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# Residual Market's Share of **Slow<sub>ELC</sub>** Among Lost-Time Claims



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# Impact of Large-Claim Development Changes

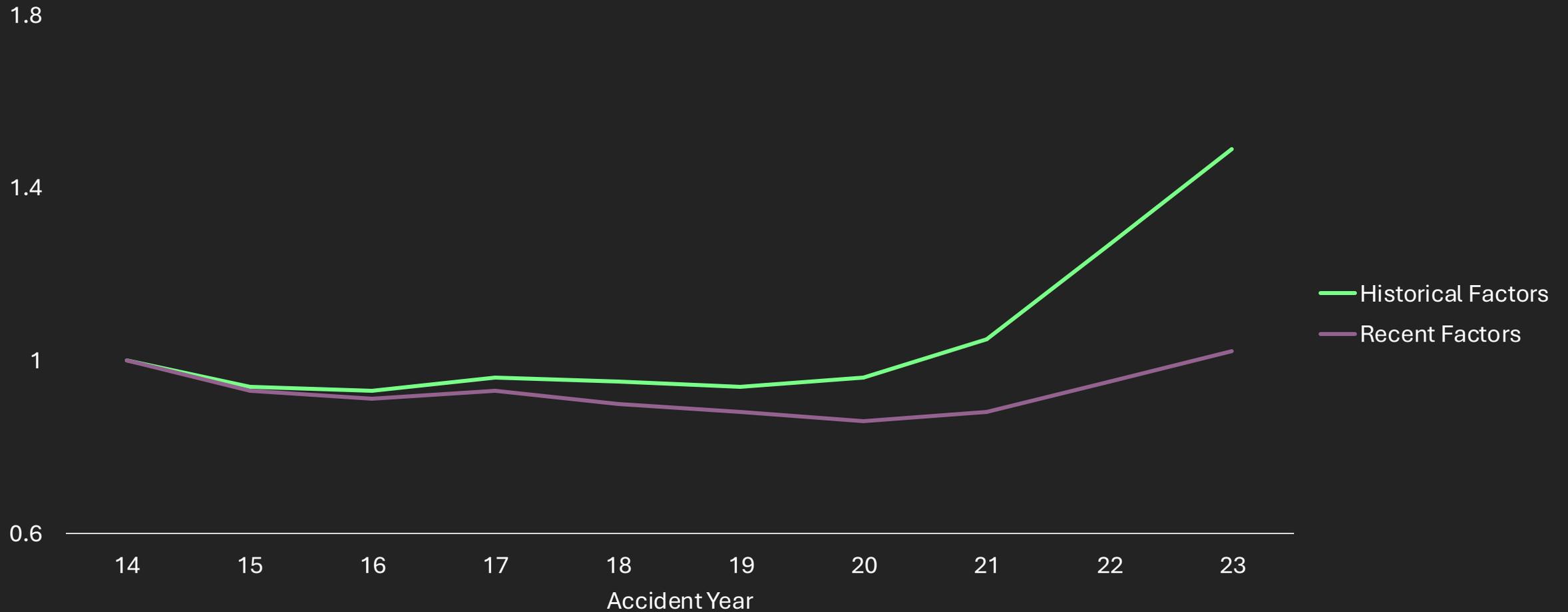


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# How Changing Emergence Patterns Affect Loss Projections



# Estimated Trend In Large-Claim Share Voluntary + Residual Markets



Source: NCCI's Statistical Plan data, which excludes DE, MA, MI, and NJ; claims are inflation-adjusted to 2023 dollars and developed to ultimate with factors calculated using different years of data; 2014 is the base year for the share index

# NCCI's Large Loss Resources



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Agents/Brokers

Insights

## Large Loss Resources

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### Fast vs. Slow-Emerging Large Claims Tool

This tool provides aggregated data on the shares of large claims among lost-time claims. Large claims are categorized into two groups based on how quickly the reported loss amounts exceed the large loss threshold—fast-emerging and slow-emerging.

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- [Fast vs. Slow-Emerging Large Claims Tool \(Excel\)](#)

### Large Loss and Catastrophe Claims Data

This report summarizes large claim information as reported under Financial Call #31. For specific details on Financial Call #31 data, please refer to NCCI's *Financial Call Reporting Guidebook*.

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- [Large Loss and Catastrophe Claims Data as of 12/31/2023 \(Excel\)](#)

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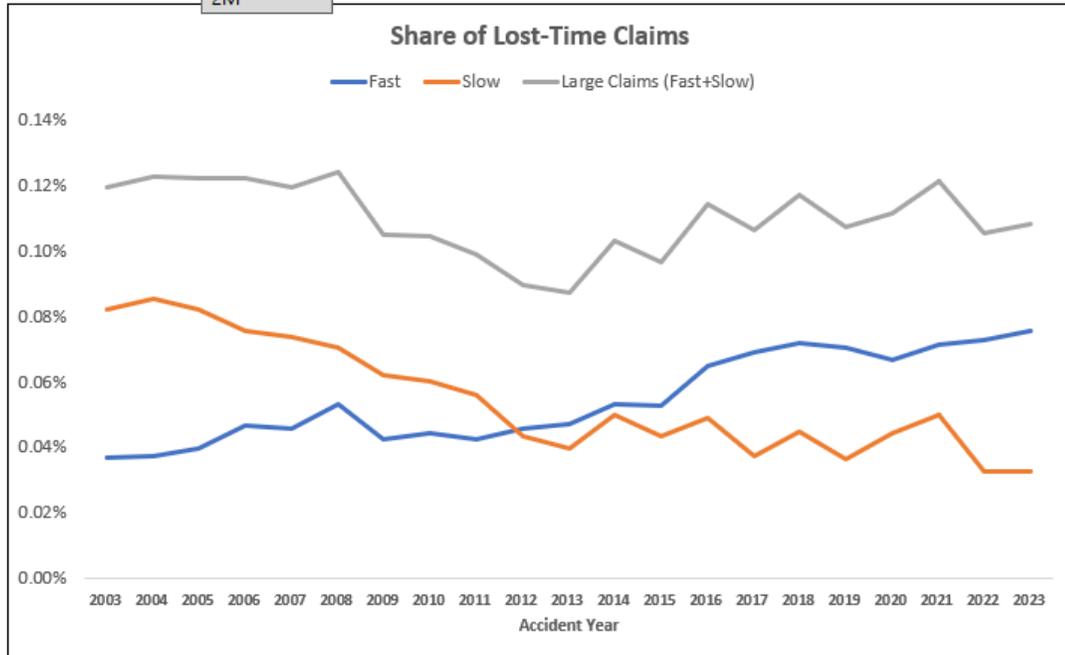
[Workers Compensation Excess Loss Development](#)

# Fast- vs. Slow-Emerging Large Claims Tool

Exhibit - All Fast<sub>ELC</sub> are claims that reach the **selected threshold** within the first two Unit Data reports, while Slow<sub>ELC</sub> are claims that reach the threshold after the 2nd report.

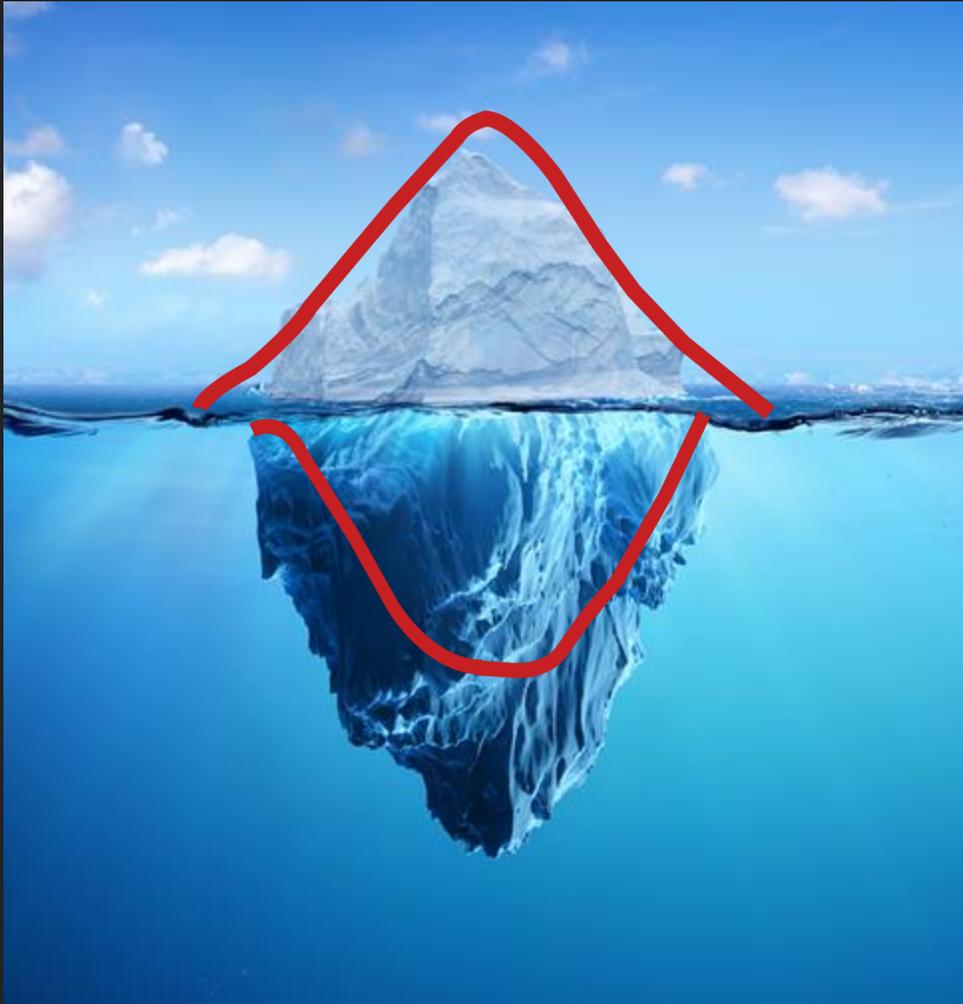
Large Claim Threshold  Please select a threshold

- 500K
- 1M
- 2M**



Accident Year	Share of Lost-Time Claims			Ultimate Lost-Time Claim Counts			Ultimate Lost-Time Severity		
	FAST <sub>ELC</sub>	SLOW <sub>ELC</sub>	Large Claims	FAST <sub>ELC</sub>	SLOW <sub>ELC</sub>	Large Claims	FAST <sub>ELC</sub>	SLOW <sub>ELC</sub>	Large Claims
2003	0.04%	0.08%	0.12%	197	437	634	\$5,169,776	\$2,926,927	\$3,623,426
2004	0.04%	0.09%	0.12%	194	444	638	\$5,221,175	\$2,987,536	\$3,666,746
2005	0.04%	0.08%	0.12%	202	418	620	\$5,066,600	\$3,027,953	\$3,692,646
2006	0.05%	0.08%	0.12%	235	382	617	\$4,882,406	\$2,970,289	\$3,698,225
2007	0.05%	0.07%	0.12%	231	371	602	\$4,937,193	\$2,766,219	\$3,598,890
2008	0.05%	0.07%	0.12%	252	332	584	\$5,250,601	\$2,809,731	\$3,863,684
2009	0.04%	0.06%	0.11%	175	256	431	\$5,217,264	\$2,981,406	\$3,890,092
2010	0.04%	0.06%	0.10%	185	252	437	\$5,031,836	\$2,853,121	\$3,774,850
2011	0.04%	0.06%	0.10%	178	234	412	\$5,051,310	\$2,920,222	\$3,841,918
2012	0.05%	0.04%	0.09%	191	181	372	\$4,707,336	\$3,038,808	\$3,896,239
2013	0.05%	0.04%	0.09%	196	164	360	\$4,780,457	\$2,966,414	\$3,953,639
2014	0.05%	0.05%	0.10%	222	208	430	\$5,140,404	\$2,931,861	\$4,071,499
2015	0.05%	0.04%	0.10%	219	179	398	\$4,510,659	\$2,928,240	\$3,798,431
2016	0.07%	0.05%	0.11%	264	199	463	\$5,064,756	\$2,884,308	\$4,128,085
2017	0.07%	0.04%	0.11%	279	150	430	\$4,864,747	\$2,742,898	\$4,122,397
2018	0.07%	0.05%	0.12%	301	188	490	\$4,325,955	\$3,036,070	\$3,829,823
2019	0.07%	0.04%	0.11%	294	153	447	\$5,116,562	\$2,912,775	\$4,363,260
2020	0.07%	0.04%	0.11%	244	163	407	\$4,972,207	\$3,014,038	\$4,188,437
2021	0.07%	0.05%	0.12%	286	201	487	\$5,252,625	\$2,849,858	\$4,261,160
2022	0.07%	0.03%	0.11%	296	133	429	\$4,851,048	\$2,901,109	\$4,245,357
2023	0.08%	0.03%	0.11%	301	131	432	\$4,548,442	\$2,720,139	\$3,994,881

# Takeaways



- The share of **Fast<sub>ELC</sub>** has been gradually rising, while the share of **Slow<sub>ELC</sub>** has declined
- This trend affects how we project ultimate losses
- NCCI's new tools will provide greater granularity in monitoring large claim trends