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Compo bill hits €217m

MORE than €217million was handed out in compensation last year to Irish people involved in accidents.

Latest figures from Injuries-board.ie revealed 8,845 people lodged claims for personal injury with an average pay-out of €24,552.

The number of awards of €100,000 and above rose by 87 per cent while compensation of more than €38,000 jumped by 47 per cent.