

**Prosecution figures and penalties for overcharging, refusal to hire and not using the most direct practicable route from 2010 to 2015 (up to October)**

Malpractice	Maximum penalties	Year	Number of prosecution cases	Penalties		
				Amount of fine (\$)	Sentenced to imprisonment/ suspended sentence/ community service order / Period of imprisonment	Sentenced to licence suspension / Period of suspension
<b>Overcharging</b>	A fine of \$10,000 and imprisonment for 6 months	2010	16	100 – 1,500	0	0
		2011	21	200 – 4,000	0	1 case / 2 weeks
		2012	29	450 – 2,300	5 cases / 1 – 2 months	8 cases / 3 – 8 months
		2013	47	500 – 2,000	9 cases / 2 weeks – 3 months	7 cases / 1 – 8 months
		2014	51	330 – 5,000	9 cases / 7 days – 6 weeks	1 case / 9 months
		2015 (up to October)	58	500 – 5,000	15 cases / 6 days – 2 months	17 cases / 1 – 6 months

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Refusal to hire	A fine of \$10,000 and imprisonment for 6 months	2010	28	500 – 2,500	0	0
		2011	34	450 – 2,800	0	1 case / 1 month
		2012	81	450 – 3,000	0	3 cases / 2 weeks – 4 months
		2013	126	320 – 2,500	0	2 cases / 1 – 2 months
		2014	128	450 – 2,000	0	1 case / 4 weeks
		2015 (up to October)	167	300 – 3,000	0	1 case / 1 month
Not using the most direct practicable route	A fine of \$10,000 and imprisonment for 6 months	2010	39	400 – 5,500	0	0
		2011	27	500 – 4,000	0	0
		2012	34	100 – 3,000	0	0
		2013	43	500 – 2,000	0	1 case / 3 months
		2014	33	500 – 2,400	0	0
		2015 (up to October)	28	100 – 1,500	0	0