



County of Los Angeles Health and Mental Health Services

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Chief Executive Officer

DATE: Wednesday, July 6, 2022
TIME: 10:30 a.m.

THIS MEETING WILL CONTINUE TO BE CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND EMPLOYEES AS PERMITTED UNDER STATE LAW.

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DIAL-IN NUMBER: 1 (323) 776-6996

CONFERENCE ID: 322130288#

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AGENDA

Members of the Public may address the Health and Mental Health Services Meeting on any agenda item. Two (2) minutes are allowed for each item.

THIS TELECONFERENCE WILL BE MUTED FOR ALL CALLERS. PLEASE DIAL *6 TO UNMUTE YOUR PHONE WHEN IT IS YOUR TIME TO SPEAK.

10:00 A.M. NOTICE OF CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

(Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

Department of Health Services

- I. Call to order
- II. **Discussion Item(s):**
 - a. **County Counsel:** Cost Litigation Report
- III. **Information Item(s)** (Any Information Item is subject to discussion and/or presentation at the request of two or more Board offices):
- IV. **Presentation Item(s):**
- V. Items Continued from a Previous Meeting of the Board of Supervisors or from the Previous Agenda Review Meeting

- a.** Discussion and consideration of necessary actions on issues related to the Harbor-UCLA Medical Center Replacement Program, and briefing by DPW, CEO and DHS, as needed, as requested at the Health and Mental Health Services Cluster meeting on May 18, 2022.

- VI. Items not on the posted agenda for matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation, or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Department subsequent to the posting of the agenda
- VII. Public Comment
- VIII. Adjournment

FY 20-21 HEALTH SERVICES DEPARTMENTS

FY 20-21 HEALTH SERVICES EXPENSES OVERVIEW

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I. DHS, DPH, and DMH FY 20-21 Expenses

II. DHS FY 20-21 Expenses

- DHS costliest Case Type: **Medical Malpractice**

III. DHS All Facilities Breakdown

- DHS costliest Facilities Breakdown: LAC+USC and Harbor-UCLA

IV. DPH FY 20-21 Expenses

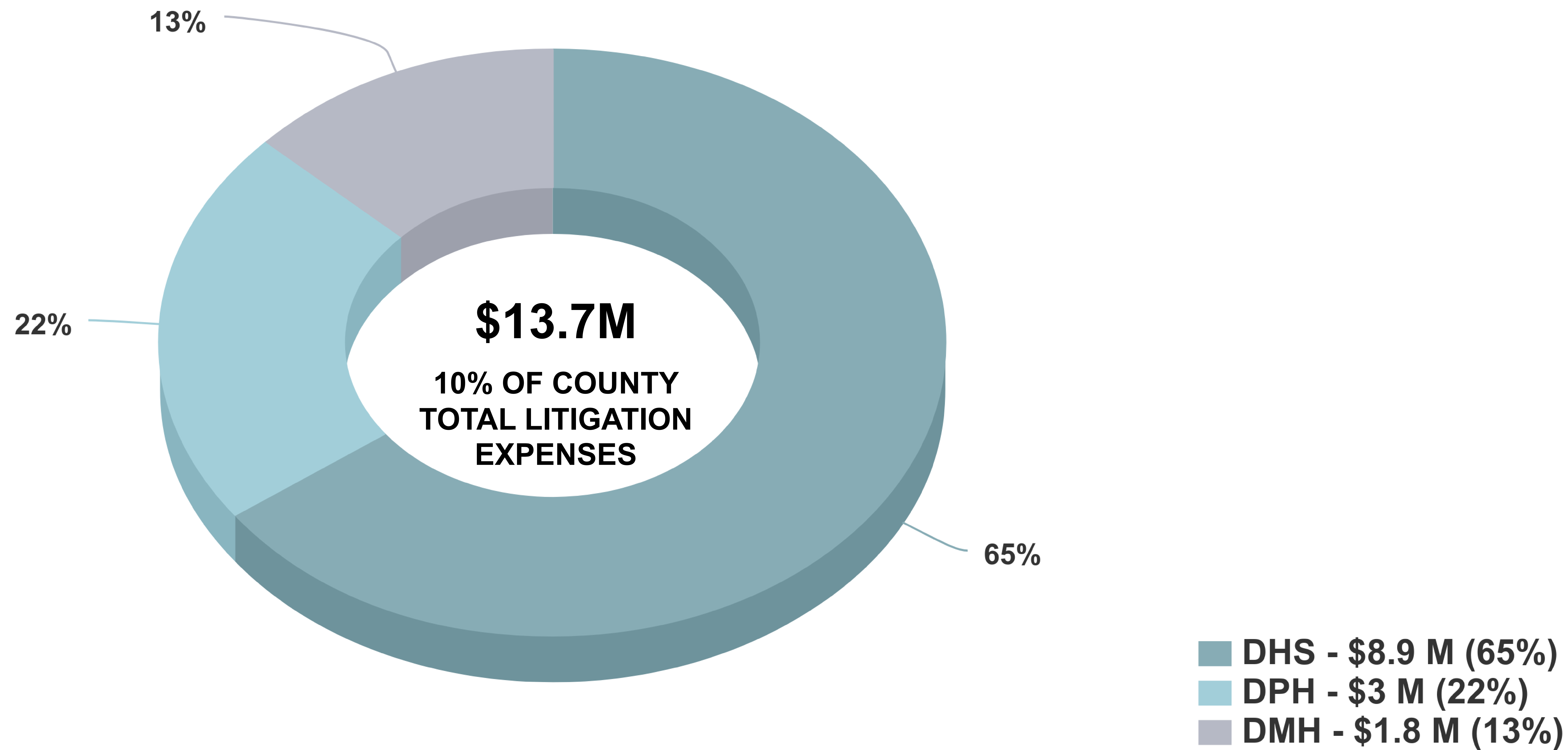
- DPH costliest Case Type: **General Liability**

V. DMH FY 20-21 Expenses

- DMH costliest Case Type: **Employment**

HEALTH SERVICES DEPARTMENTS EXPENSES

FY 20-21 HEALTH SERVICES EXPENSES



HEALTH SERVICES DEPARTMENTS EXPENSES BY CASE TYPE

Departments Under Discussion:

1. Department of Health Services (DHS)
2. Department of Public Health (DPH)
3. Department of Mental Health (DMH)

CASE TYPE	HEALTH SERVICES (DHS)	PUBLIC HEALTH (DPH)	MENTAL HEALTH (DMH)
MEDICAL MALPRACTICE	\$5,754,313	\$18,000	\$30,431
EMPLOYMENT	\$2,402,877	\$342,751	\$725,628
GENERAL LIABILITY	\$652,361	\$2,514,140	\$478,062
AUTO LIABILITY	\$52,161	\$19,666	\$583,885
ENVIRONMENTAL	\$0	\$105,883	\$0
TOTAL FY 20-21 EXPENSES	\$8,861,712	\$3,000,440	\$1,818,006

HEALTH SERVICES DEPARTMENTS FEES & COSTS, JUDGMENTS & SETTLEMENTS, AND LAWSUITS COUNT

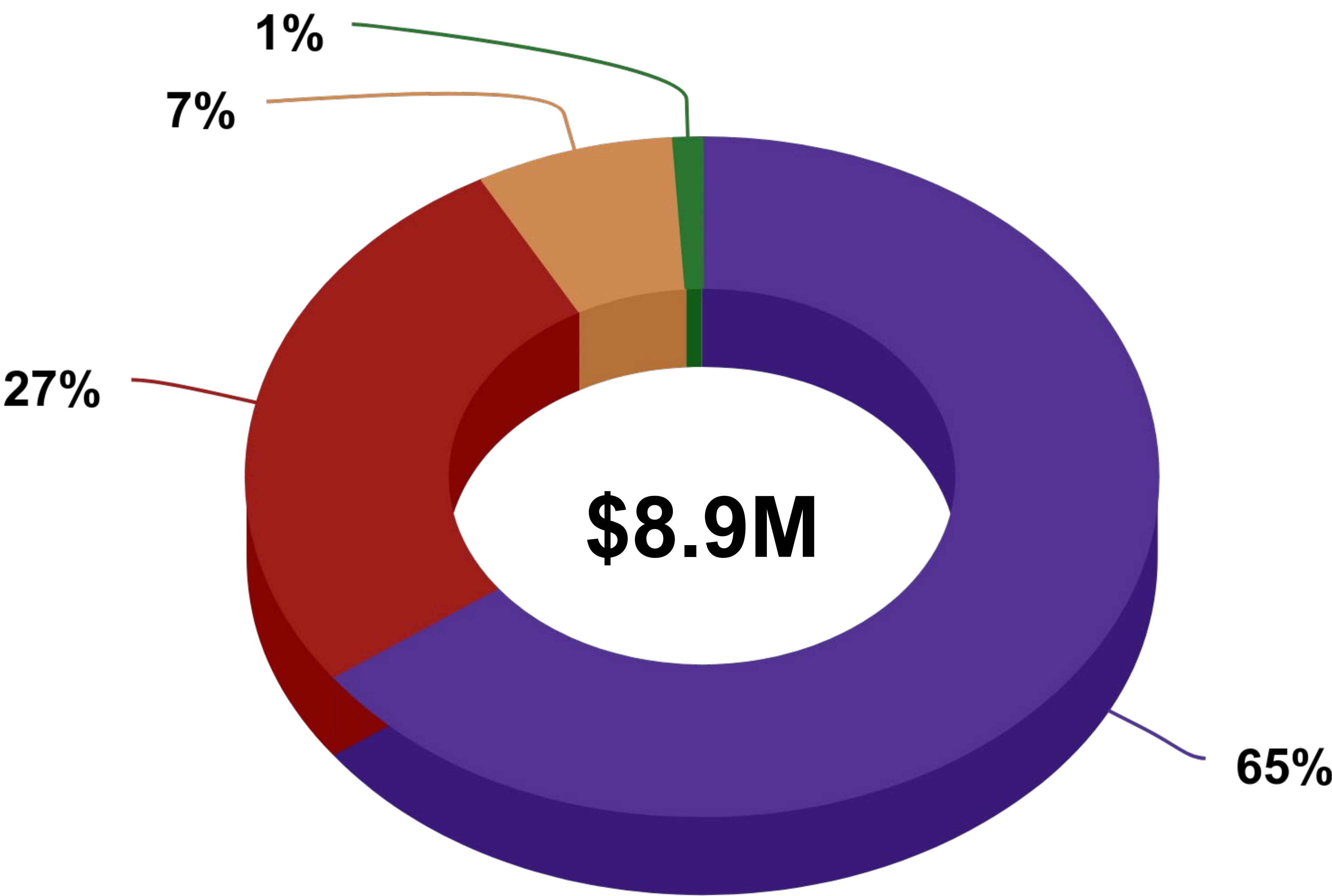
EXPENSES	HEALTH SERVICES (DHS)	PUBLIC HEALTH (DPH)	MENTAL HEALTH (DMH)
FEES & COSTS	\$4,132,826	\$2,843,440	\$898,006
JUDGMENTS & SETTLEMENTS	\$4,728,886	\$157,000	\$920,000
TOTAL FY 20-21 EXPENSES	\$8,861,712	\$3,000,440	\$1,818,006
TOTAL NUMBER OF FY 20-21 LAWSUITS *	189	46	34

*Ongoing and new lawsuits incurring expenses in FY 20-21

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES (DHS)

DHS (↓59% from \$21.6 million in FY 19-20)

TOTAL LITIGATION EXPENSES FY 20-21



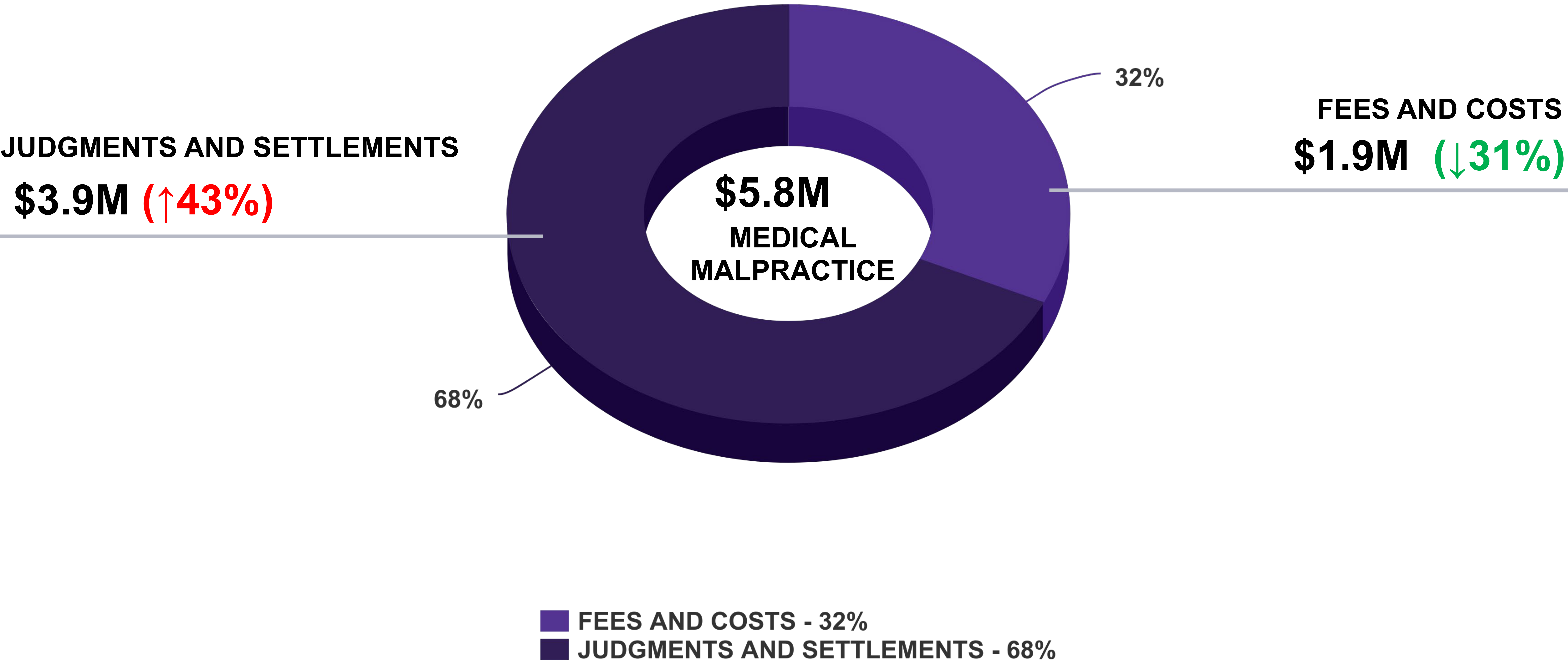
- MEDICAL MALPRACTICE - 65%
- EMPLOYMENT - 27%
- GENERAL LIABILITY - 7%
- AUTO LIABILITY - 1%

DHS EXPENSES BY CASE TYPE
FY 20-21

CASE TYPE	FY 20-21 EXPENSES	NUMBER OF LAWSUITS
MEDICAL MALPRACTICE	\$5,754,313	123
EMPLOYMENT	\$2,402,877	37
GENERAL LIABILITY	\$652,361	26
AUTO LIABILITY	\$52,161	3
TOTAL	\$8,861,712	189

Medical Malpractice was DHS's costliest case type in FY 20-21, accounting for 65% of the Department's total litigation expenses

DHS: MEDICAL MALPRACTICE EXPENSES (↑6% from \$5.4M in FY 19-20)



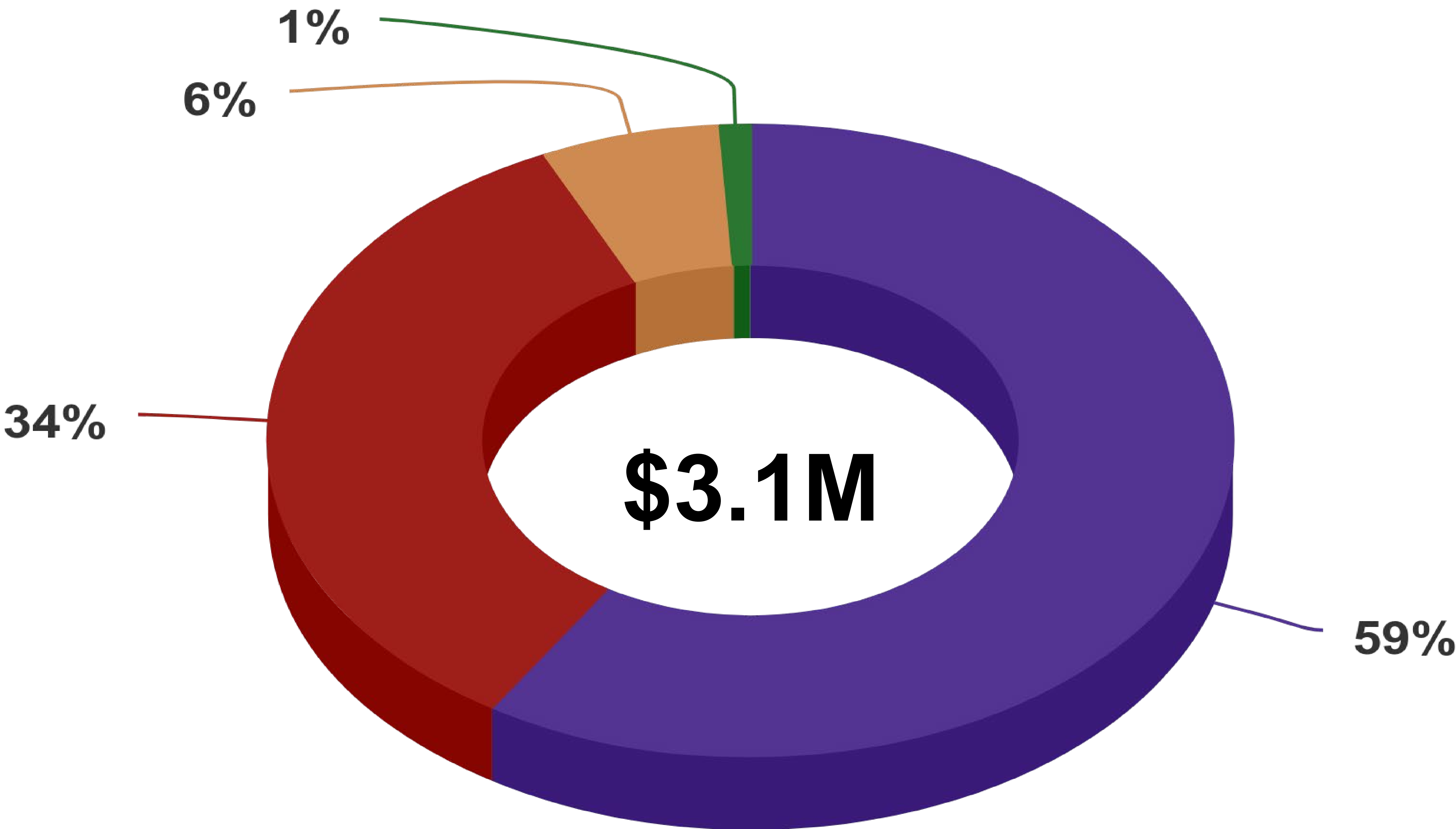
DHS FACILITIES

DHS: ALL FACILITIES BREAKDOWN

CASE TYPE	LAC+USC	HARBOR UCLA	OLIVE VIEW	MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. HOSPITAL	RANCHO LOS AMIGOS	OTHER DHS FACILITIES	TOTAL EXPENSES BY CASE TYPE
MEDICAL MALPRACTICE	\$1,815,378	\$819,923	\$373,728	\$305,591	\$0	\$2,439,693	\$5,754,313
EMPLOYMENT	\$1,061,837	\$489,303	\$116,176	\$0	\$264,439	\$471,122	\$2,402,877
GENERAL LIABILITY	\$170,492	\$60,600	\$25,100	\$0	\$0	\$396,169	\$652,361
AUTO LIABILITY	\$48,222	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,939	\$52,161
TOTAL FY 20-21 EXPENSES BY FACILITY	\$3,095,929	\$1,369,826	\$515,004	\$305,591	\$264,439	\$3,310,923	\$8,861,712

DHS: COSTLIEST FACILITIES BREAKDOWN – LAC+USC

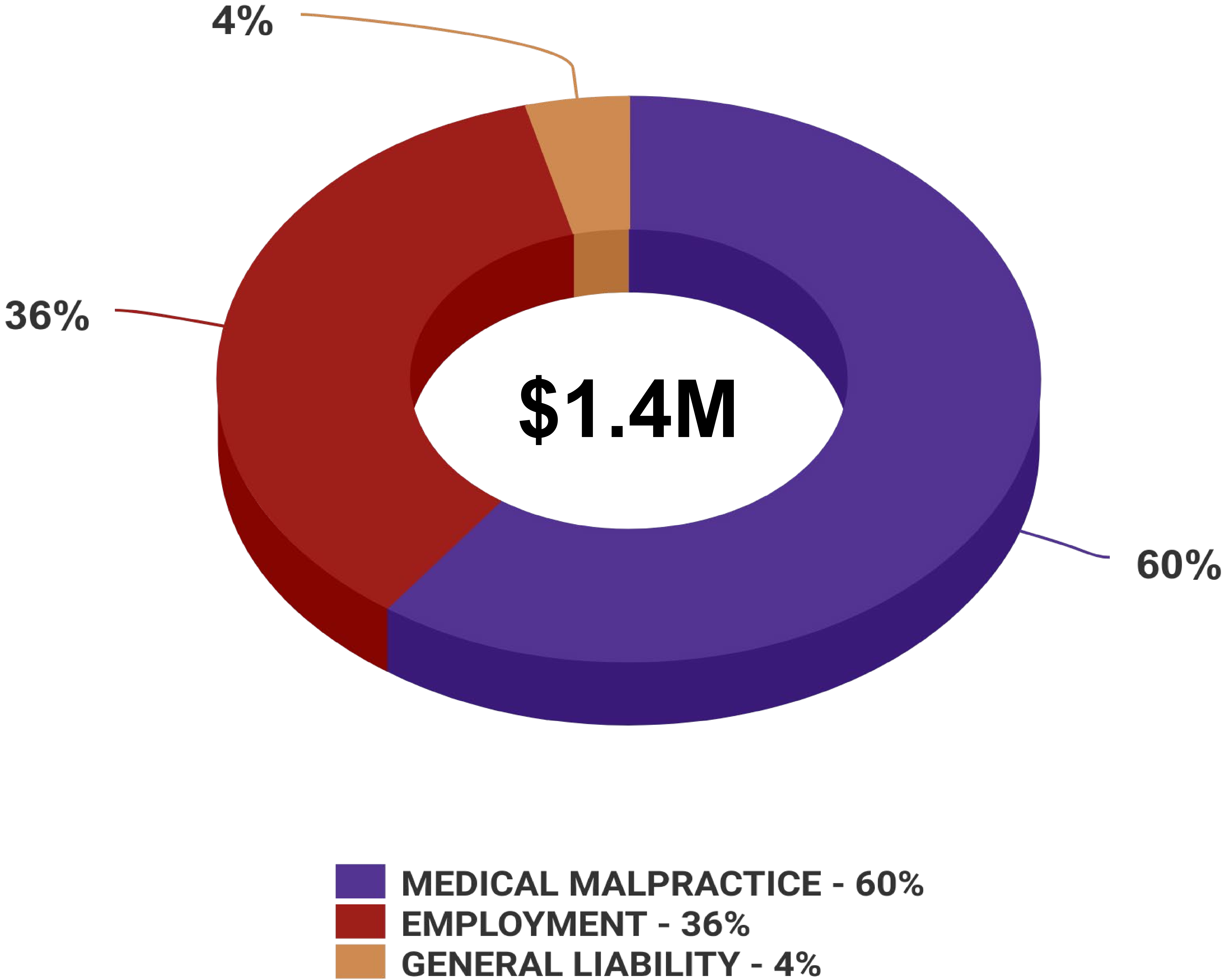
LAC+USC TOTAL LITIGATION EXPENSES FY 20-21 (↓78% from \$14.9 million in FY 19-20)



- MEDICAL MALPRACTICE - 59%
- EMPLOYMENT - 34%
- GENERAL LIABILITY - 6%
- AUTO LIABILITY - 1%

DHS: COSTLIEST FACILITIES BREAKDOWN (cont.) - HARBOR-UCLA

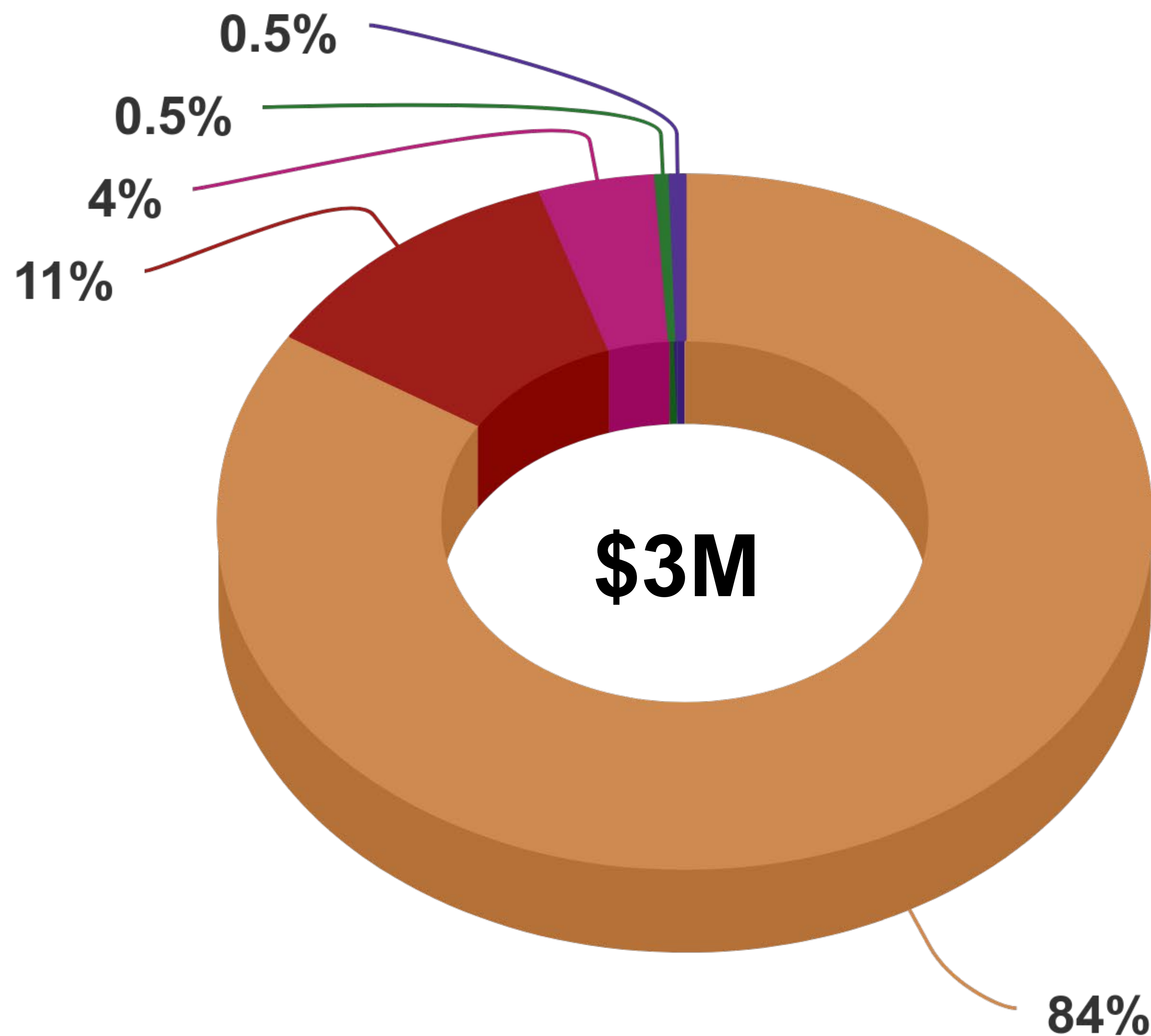
HARBOR-UCLA TOTAL LITIGATION EXPENSES FY 20-21 (↓58% from \$3.2 million in FY 19-20)



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH (DPH)

PUBLIC HEALTH (↑172% from \$1.1 million in FY 19-20)

TOTAL LITIGATION EXPENSES FY 20-21



- GENERAL LIABILITY - 84%
- EMPLOYMENT - 11%
- ENVIRONMENTAL - 4%
- AUTO LIABILITY - 0.5%
- MEDICAL MALPRACTICE - 0.5%

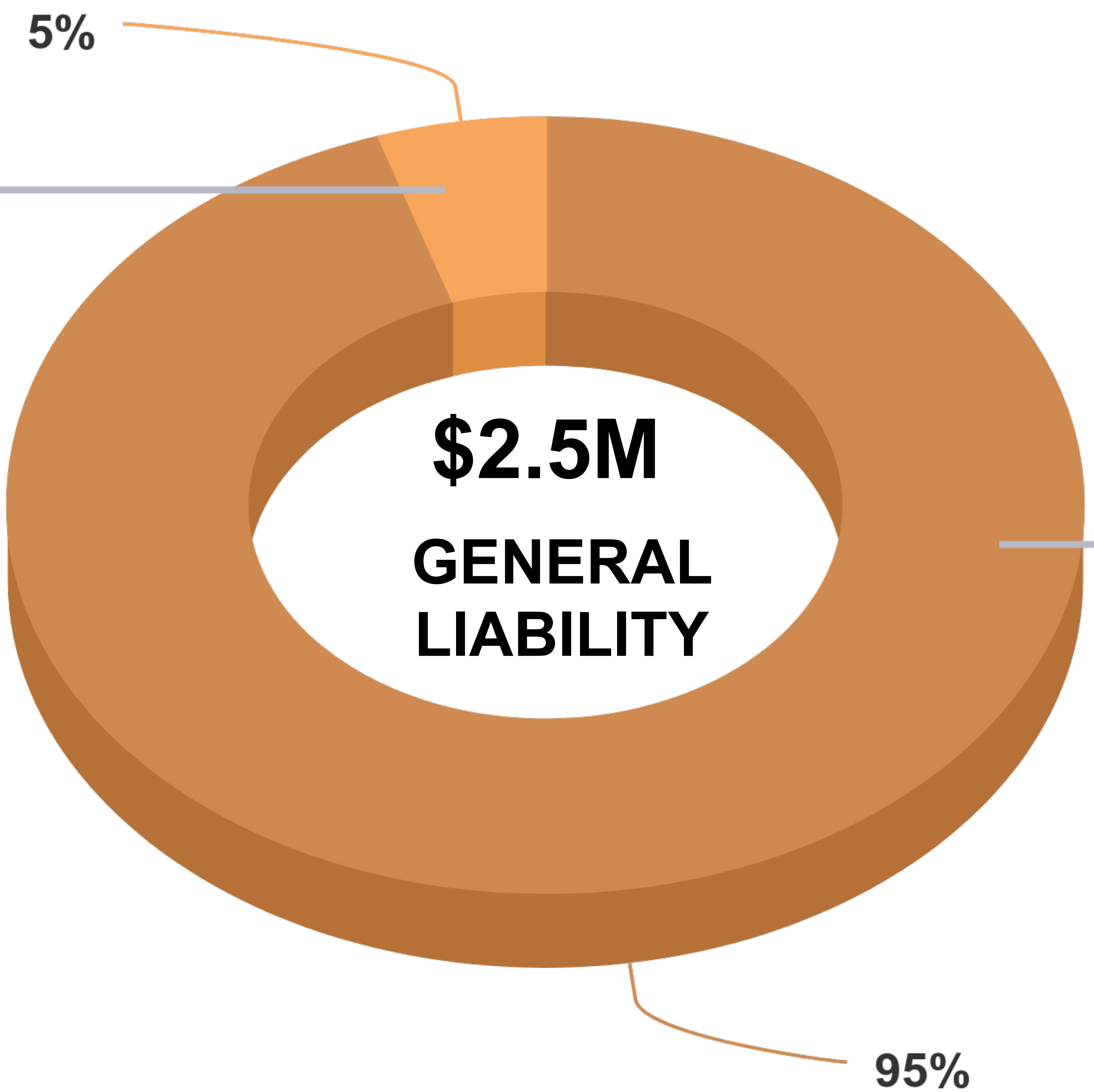
PUBLIC HEALTH EXPENSES BY CASE TYPE
FY 20-21

CASE TYPE	FY 20-21 EXPENSES	NUMBER OF LAWSUITS
GENERAL LIABILITY	\$2,514,140	30
EMPLOYMENT	\$342,751	10
ENVIRONMENTAL	\$105,883	1
AUTO LIABILITY	\$19,666	4
MEDICAL MALPRACTICE	\$18,000	1
TOTAL	\$3,000,440	46

General Liability was DPH's costliest case type in FY 20-21, accounting for 84% of the Department's total litigation expenses

DPH: GENERAL LIABILITY EXPENSES (↑1943% from \$123,000 in FY 19-20)

JUDGMENTS AND SETTLEMENTS
\$125k (↑100%)



FEES AND COSTS
\$2.4M (↑1841%)

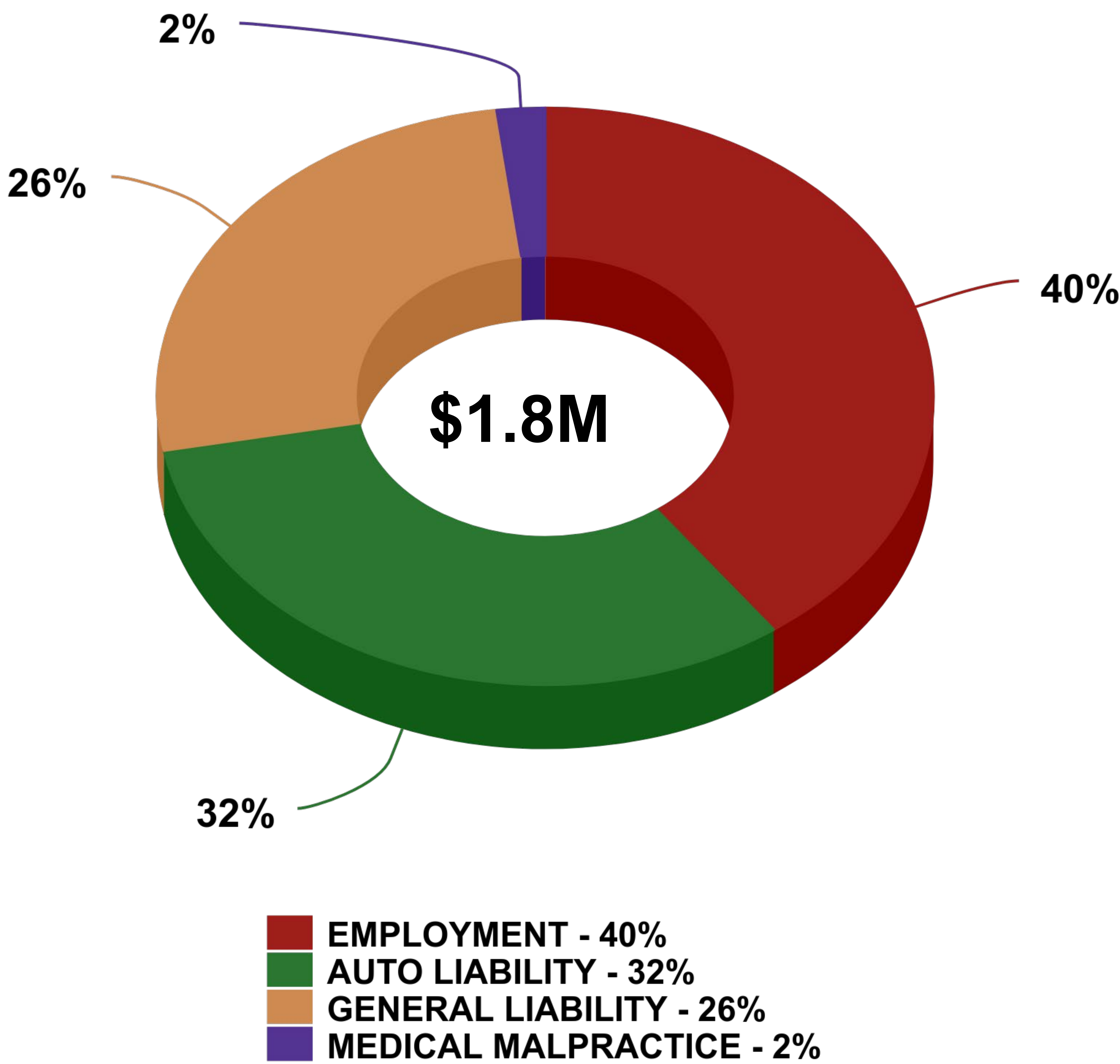
The costliest case subtype, Civil Rights Violations (associated with COVID), accounted for \$1.5 million or 61% of General Liability total fees and costs

- FEES AND COSTS - 95%
- JUDGMENTS AND SETTLEMENTS - 5%

DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH (DMH)

MENTAL HEALTH (↑79% from \$1 million in FY 19-20)

TOTAL LITIGATION EXPENSES FY 20-21

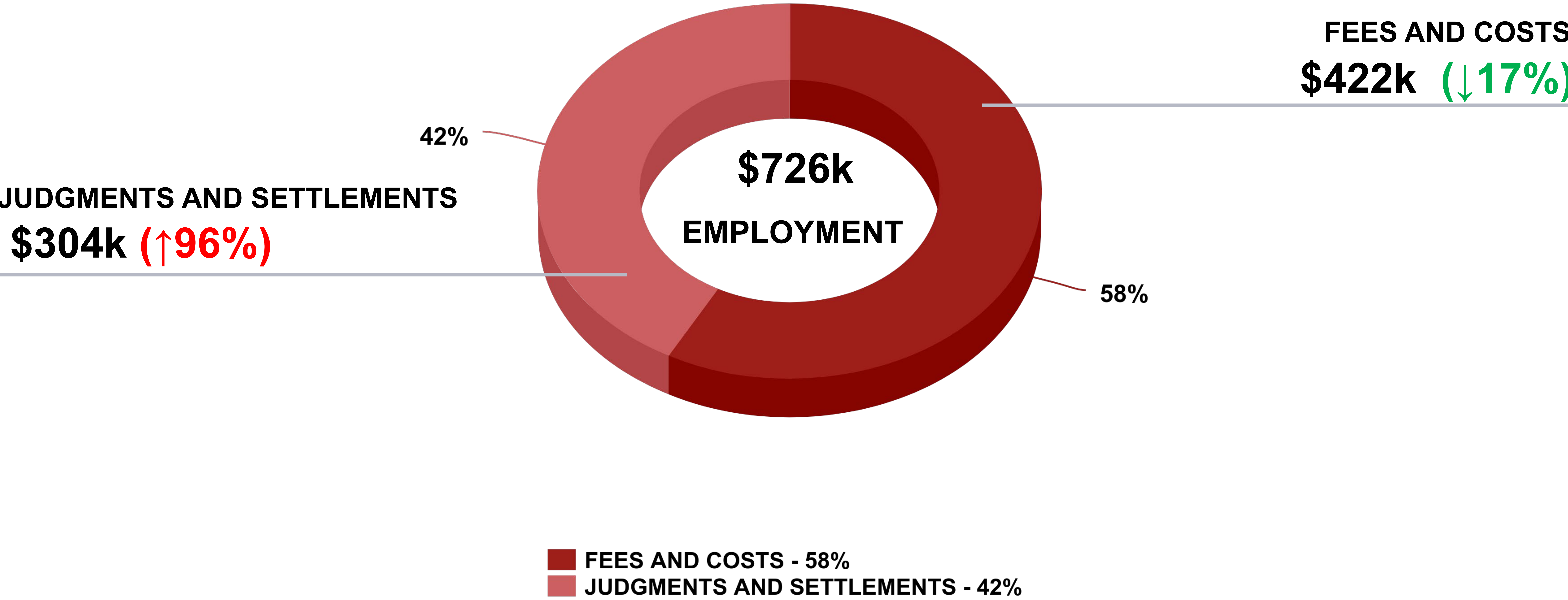


MENTAL HEALTH EXPENSES BY CASE TYPE
FY 20-21

CASE TYPE	FY 20-21 EXPENSES	NUMBER OF LAWSUITS
EMPLOYMENT	\$725,628	10
AUTO LIABILITY	\$583,885	5
GENERAL LIABILITY	\$478,062	16
MEDICAL MALPRACTICE	\$30,431	3
TOTAL	\$1,818,006	34

Employment was DMH's costliest case type in FY 20-21, accounting for 40% of the Department's total litigation expenses

DMH: EMPLOYMENT EXPENSES (↑9% from \$664,000 in FY 19-20)





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