returns on a quarterly basis. During the 2014 OHS Summit the South African Mining Industry, (State, Employers and Organised Labour) committed to reduce the Occupational Exposure Levels (OEL) of airborne pollutants by 2024 to reduce occupational lung diseases. The mining sector is engaged at annual Occupational Health Dialogues and quarterly regional tripartite forums to deliberate on programmes initiatives to reduce the incidence of occupational lung diseases (OLD) at mines.

(c) Trends of specified occupational diseases in the mining sector over the past 10 years:
(i) Coal worker’s pneumoconiosis (CWP) cases reported from the annual medical reports

The mines reported a highest number of CWP cases in 2013; followed by a downward trend in 2014 and 2015 respectively. There is a noticeable decrease on cases reported in 2018 when compared to the 2017.
(ii) Silicosis cases reported from the annual medical reports

The trend over the past 10 years shows a decrease in reported silicosis.
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