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Indiana Releases Workplace Injury and Illness Rates

INDIANAPOLIS (Oct. 29, 2015) – Today, the Indiana Department of Labor (IDOL) released its annual nonfatal workplace injury and illness report for 2014. Indiana’s nonfatal occupational injury and illness rate is 4.0 injuries or illnesses per 100 full-time workers. The rate for 2014 ties the 2012 rate as the second-lowest on record for Indiana.

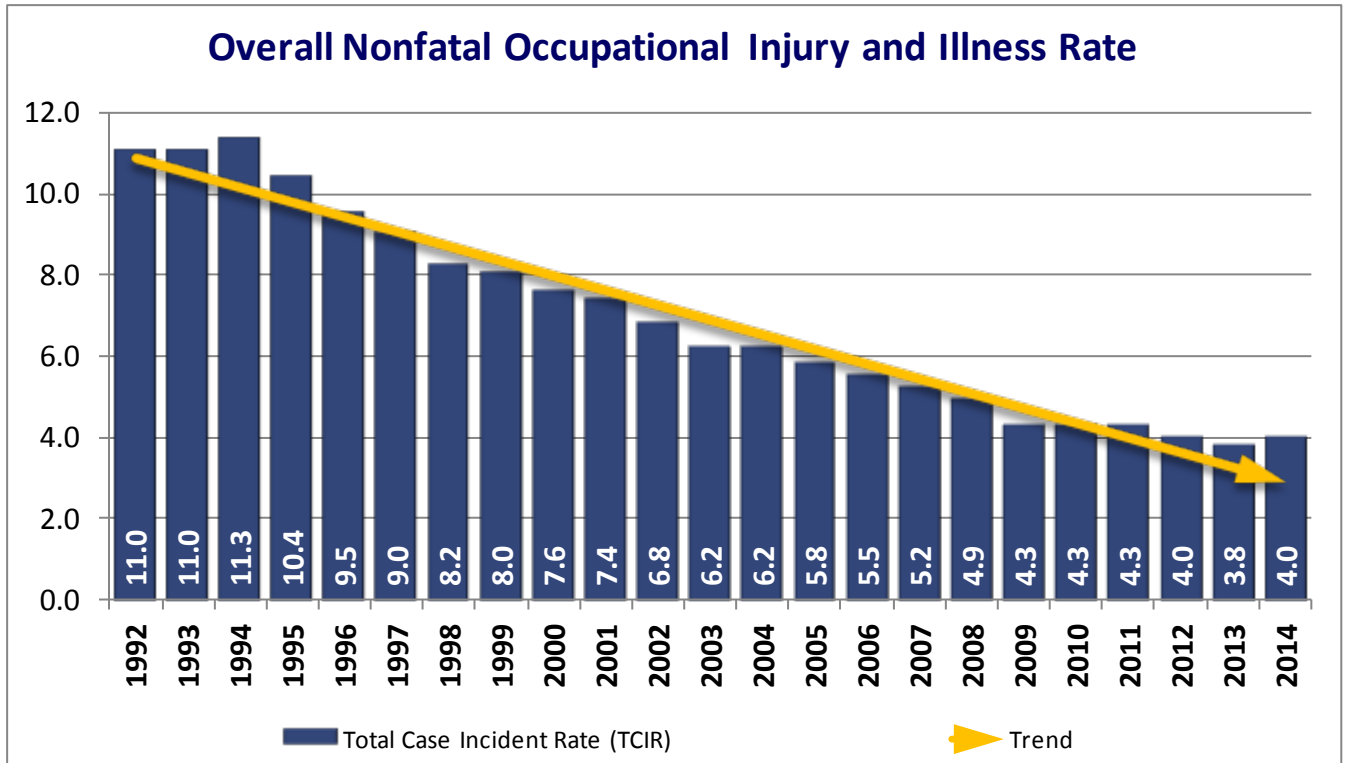
The most significant improvement among the major Hoosier industries was in the state’s utilities industry (1.5 per 100 full-time workers in 2014 compared to 2.8 per 100 in 2013). The mining, administrative and waste services, educational services and finance and insurance industries also experienced decreases.

“The low rate of workplace injuries and illnesses is a testament to the dedication Hoosier employers and employees have shown toward workplace safety,” said Indiana Department of Labor Commissioner Rick J. Ruble. “We continue to see managers and employees actively taking ownership of their workplace safety and health programs.”

Some findings in the 2014 report include:

- The overall state non-fatal injury and illness rate for 2014 is 4.0 injuries or illnesses per 100 full-time workers. The utilities industry experienced the greatest one-year decline in non-fatal worker injuries and illnesses, 46 percent.
- Eight of nineteen major Indiana industry categories experienced a reduction in non-fatal worker injuries and illnesses in 2014.

For more information about the SOII, please visit: www.in.gov/dol/2341.htm.



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses 1992-2014 (per 100 full-time employees)

About the Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses (SOII) Data:

The Bureau of Labor Statistics’ (BLS) Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses data for Indiana includes non-fatal work-related injuries and illnesses. On an annual basis, the Indiana Department of Labor’s QMS Division staff work with many Hoosier employers to obtain information on non-fatal occupational injuries and illnesses. SOII began tracking the data in 1992.

About the Indiana Department of Labor:

The mission of the Indiana Department of Labor is to advance the safety, health and prosperity of Hoosiers in the workplace. In order to make significant strides, we emphasize both enforcement and compliance assistance by employers. www.in.gov/dol

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