

2008 Hoosier Fast Stats

- In 2008, Indiana reported 132 workplace fatalities. Indiana's most recent fatality rate is 4.8 per 100,000 employees.
- The number of occupational injuries and illnesses reported in 2008 was 112,100. This represents a decrease of 12,900 injuries and illnesses as compared to 2007.
- The Occupational Injury and Illness Rate in Indiana in 2008 is 4.9 per 100 employees. Historically, this is the lowest rate for Indiana; however, Indiana is above the national rate of 4.2.
- In 2008, 46% of the workplace fatalities in Indiana involved a vehicle.
- Thirty-eight percent (38%) of the injuries and illnesses that resulted in days away from work in the state in 2008 were from ergonomically-related events.

Data Sources

Injury, illness and fatality data used in this publication is for calendar year 2008 and was collected in 2009 by the Quality, Metrics & Statistics Division of the Indiana Department of Labor in partnership with the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). Injury and illness data for 2009 will be released in October 2010. For more information, visit the BLS website at www.bls.gov/home.htm.

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Workplace Injury & Illness Prevention

The Indiana Department of Labor's INSafe Division provides free on-site occupational safety and health consultation to Hoosier employers. By proactively managing occupational safety and health, employers will be able to:

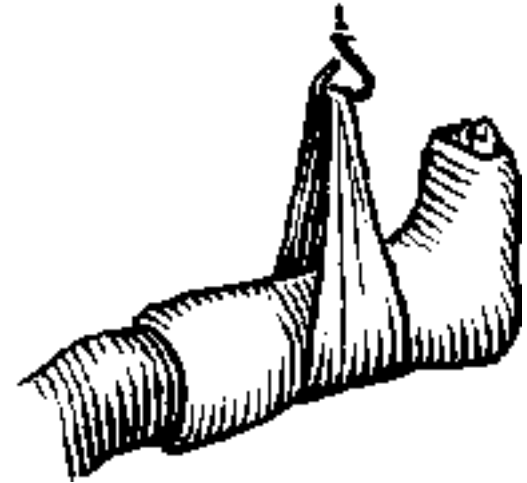
- Reduce worker injury and illness rates.
- Decrease Worker's Compensation costs.
- Reduce lost workdays, limit damage to equipment and minimize product loss.
- Help to improve employee morale.

For additional information or to schedule an on-site consultation visit, please contact INSafe.

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Numbers, Events, Sources and Injury and Illness Rates

INDIANA OCCUPATIONAL INJURY & ILLNESS CHARACTERISTICS

Indiana Fast Stats: 1991-2008

Year	Fatalities	Non-fatal Injury & Illness Rate	Number of Injuries & Illnesses (000's)	Injuries & Illness Days Away
1991	144	10.2	198.5	-
1992	148	10.7	220.9	64.5
1993	135	10.6	229.8	65.9
1994	195	10.9	243.7	67.2
1995	156	10.8	217.3	67.0
1996	143	9.5	219.9	53.0
1997	190	9.0	216.2	50.2
1998	155	8.2	198.2	46.5
1999	171	8.0	193.6	44.3
2000	159	7.6	184.2	39.3
2001	152	7.4	174.5	33.7
2002	136	6.8	156.2	34.0
2003	132	6.2	142.8	33.2
2004	153	6.2	140.9	30.1
2005	157	5.5	135.0	32.2
2006	148	5.5	131.0	29.9
2007	127	5.2	125.0	27.1
2008	132	4.9	112.1	25.2

1991-2002 Days Away includes private industry only.
2003-2008 Days Away includes Private & Public Industries

Indiana Occupational Injury & Illness by Industry

Indiana Industry	Rate
Agriculture	7.6
Healthcare	6.4
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	6.3
Manufacturing	5.8
State & Local Government	5.7
Transportation & Warehousing	5.0
Retail Trade	4.9
Construction	4.6
Wholesale Trade	4.6
Food Services & Drinking Places	4.1
Professional & Business Services	2.4

Select Characteristics of Indiana Private Industry Injuries and Illnesses with Days Away from Work

Total injuries with days away from work = 21,920

Nature of fatal	Number
Sprains, strains	9,070
Fractures	2,240
Bruises, contusions	1,860
Soreness, pain	1,290
Cuts, lacerations	1,250
Hernia	630
Burns, heat	520
Carpal Tunnel Syndrome	240
Amputations	180

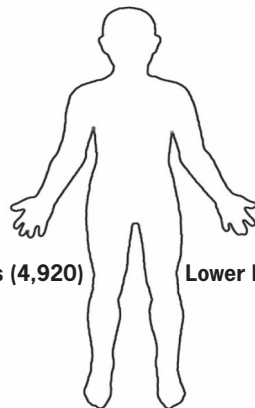
Event resulting in injury

Event	Number
Bodily Reaction & Exertion	8,270
Overexertion in lifting	3,490
Bending, climbing, crawling, reaching or twisting	1,740
Overexertion in pulling/pushing objects	850
Repetitive motion	650
Falls	5,470
Falls on same level	3,880
Falls to a lower level	1,550
Contact with Objects & Equipment	5,160
Struck by falling object	950
Struck by swinging object	520
Exposure to Harmful Substances or Environment	1,300
Transportation Accidents	920

Source of fatal injury

Source	Number
Floors, walkways, ground surfaces	5,140
Motion or position of injured worker	3,000
Parts & materials	2,560
Containers	2,070
Vehicles	1,690
Tools, instruments & equipment	1,450
Another person	1,290
Machinery	1,240
Furniture & fixtures	520

Part of Body Affected



Part of Body	Number
Head (1,290)	
Eye (500)	
Neck (430)	
Skull (260)	
Trunk (8,140)	
Shoulder (1,710)	
Back (4,700)	
Chest (360)	
Abdomen (800)	
Pelvis (370)	
Upper Extremities (4,920)	
Arms (980)	
Wrist (1,390)	
Hand (790)	
Finger (1,610)	
Lower Extremities (4,870)	
Knee (2,070)	
Ankle (900)	
Foot (960)	
Toe (250)	
Multiple Body Parts (1,790)	

Worker Demographics

Demographic	Number
Gender	
Male	14,070
Female	7,700
Race	
White	14,900
Hispanic	970
Black	940
American Indian	60
Asian	50
Not Reported	4,980
Age	
16-19	720
20-24	1,870
25-34	4,640
35-44	5,440
45-54	4,940
55-64	3,480
65 and older	710

For this report, the Indiana Department of Labor used the 2008 Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries (CFOI) and the survey of Occupational Injuries (SOII) research file provided by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS).