

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, 50% of the workplace fatalities in Indiana involved a vehicle.
- Thirty-five percent (35%) 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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Plumbers, Pipefitters & Steamfitters



Occupational Injuries, Illnesses and Fatalities

U.S. PLUMBERS, PIPEFITTERS & STEAMFITTERS (OCCUPATION CODE 47-2152)

Plumbers, Pipefitters & Steamfitters Fast Stats: 1996-2008

Year	Indiana Number of Injuries & Illnesses with Days Away	U.S. Number of Injuries & Illnesses with Days Away	U.S. Number of Fatalities
2003	250	10,570	32
2004	250	10,340	27
2005	130	8,920	42
2006	310	11,400	25
2007	180	9,070	32
2008	140	9,230	31

Indiana Construction Trades' Injuries & Illnesses for 2008

Occupation	Number
Construction laborers	720
Electricians	210
Plumbers, pipefitters & steamfitters	140
Insulation workers	70
Carpenters	70
Construction equipment operators	60
Roofers	60
Sheet metal workers	50
Cement masons and concrete finishers	50
Structural iron & steel workers	30
Drywall & ceiling tile installers	30

Indiana Plumbers, Pipefitters & Steamfitters' Employment Statistics*

Employment	12,420
Hourly average rate of pay	\$25.25
Annual salary	\$52,530

Select Characteristics of Plumbers, Pipefitters & Steamfitters Injuries and Illnesses with Days Away from Work (2008)

Total injuries with days away from work
U.S. = 9,230 & Indiana = 140
Median number of days away from work
U.S. = 10 & Indiana = 5

Nature of injury	Number
Sprains, strains	3,580
Cuts, lacerations & punctures	1,020
Back pain	730
Bruises, contusions	700
Fractures	560
Soreness, pain (except back)	290
Heat burns	160
Chemical burns	100

Event resulting in injury	Number
Struck by object	1,780
Overexertion in lifting	1,290
Overexertion (except lifting)	920
Falls to a lower level	910
Struck against object	620
Exposed to harmful substance	610
Falls on same level	580
Caught in object, equipment or material	250
Transportation accidents	190
Slip, trip	170

Source of injury	Number
Parts & materials	1,870
Floors, ground surfaces	1,450
Motion or position of injured worker	1,410
Machinery	990
Hand tools	920
Containers	440
Furniture, fixtures	440
Vehicles	310
Chemicals	130

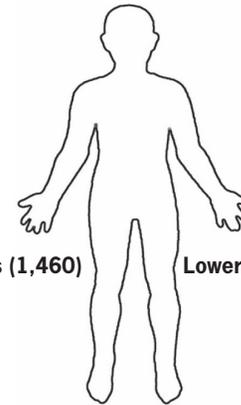
Part of the Body Affected

Head (1,110)

Eyes (720)
Neck (80)

Trunk (3,640)

Shoulder (570)
Back (2,650)



Upper Extremities (1,460)

Wrist (90)
Hand (290)
Finger (700)

Lower Extremities (2,060)

Knee (1,150)
Foot (260)

Worker Demographics	Number
Gender	
Male	8,830
Female	400
Race	
White	5,610
Hispanic/Latino	900
Black	200
Asian	30
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	30
Age	
16-19	90
20-24	780
25-34	2,880
35-44	2,300
45-54	2,220
55-64	840
65 & older	30

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

*May 2009 Occupational Employment & Wage Estimates