

OHS eNews

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OHS information for employers and workers

Visit the [Online Resource Portal](#) for resources to help guide you through OHS legislative requirements. The portal website allows you to provide feedback on your portal experience and on specific publications. Look for the '[Feedback](#)' link on the left-hand menu.

New and updated information includes:

- [Developing a first aid plan](#)
- [Domestic violence in the workplace](#) (new)
- [Internal responsibility system](#) (Webinar)
- [Medication in first aid kits](#)
- [Occupational health and safety and the internal responsibility system](#)
- [Oil and gas work sites defined](#) (new)
- [Reporting and investigating OHS incidents at a mine or mine site](#)
- [Workplace first aid records](#)
- [Working in winter](#) (new)

OHS/ES poster series:

- [Know the rules](#)
- [Know your rights](#)
- [Working?](#)
- [Do you know how to refuse dangerous work?](#)
- [Stop harassment and violence in the workplace](#)

New OHS resources for First Nations, Métis and Inuit workers including tips sheets for employers and information for Indigenous training and employment organizations.

- Understanding Indigenous workers' occupational health and safety needs
 - [Tips for employers](#)
 - [Tips for Indigenous training and employment organizations](#)
 - [Know your responsibilities as a worker](#)
 - [Use your worker rights](#)

Contact OHS

1-866-415-8690 (toll-free)
780-415-8690 (Edmonton)
TTY: 1-800-232-7215
TTY: 780-427-9999 (Edmonton)

[Report an Incident](#)

[PSI Online Reporting](#)

Working in winter

Alberta's unpredictable winter weather creates many hazardous conditions. Read [Working in winter](#) to recognize common winter hazards and ways to address them.

When winter hits, nearly 700 snowplows and other snow removal equipment work to keep Alberta's highways clear and open to traffic. [Learn](#) more on how you can help keep roads safe.

Mine and mine sites reporting

Reporting mine and mine site incidents just got easier. Report incidents listed under *OHS Act* section 40(4) online using the [Incident Reporting](#) service. [Read](#) about all the changes.

OHS proactive inspections

Each year, OHS undertakes a proactive inspection program that focuses on specific industry sectors, employers or types of work. [Read](#) about this program.

Translations in French

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Incidents recently reported to the OHS Contact Centre

Below are summaries of selected work-related incidents reported to Alberta OHS. Use these incidents as a way to start health and safety conversations in your workplace. As these incidents are still under investigation, no additional information can be shared.

Crushed hand

A worker was working on the assembly of a 4T-90 centrifuge bowl. The worker was spinning off the lifting device from the threaded top of the bowl when an 8-10lb lifting device fell off the top of the threaded stem crushing their hand. The worker was admitted to hospital. *Mining and petroleum development*

Fall from height

A worker was using a fork-mounted man-basket while servicing an overhead door motor. The man-basket dislodged from the forklift forks and fell approximately 3 metres to the ground below. The worker was admitted to hospital. *Construction and construction trades*

Pinned finger

A worker was manually adjusting wood pallets when their finger was pinned between two loaded pallets. First aid was performed on site and worker was admitted to hospital. *Manufacturing, packaging and processing*

Flash fire

A crane came into contact with an overhead 13.8 kV power line. The rigging struck the overhead power line twice, causing a subsequent arc flash/explosion and fire at the electrical panel. There were no injuries. *Construction and construction trades*

Pinched hand

A worker was removing a piece of tape from a conveyor roller when their hand was pulled in between the steel roller and the conveyor belt. The worker radioed for the conveyor to be shut down and for help. The worker was admitted to hospital. *Wholesale and retail*

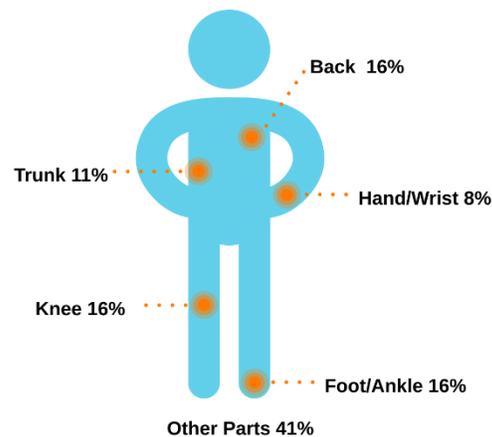
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Detailed information for 2018 fatalities will be posted to [Alberta.ca](#) when the data is available.

Slips, Trips and Falls (from same level)

Top 5 Body Parts Injured



Top 5 Occupations of Injured Workers

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| 1. Transport Truck Drivers | 7% |
| 2. Retail Sales | 5% |
| 3. Nurse Aides, Orderlies, etc. | 3% |
| 4. Attendants, Helpers & Related Jobs | 3% |
| 5. Construction Trades Helpers & Workers | 3% |

Data Source: 2014-2018 Workers' Compensation Board claims database