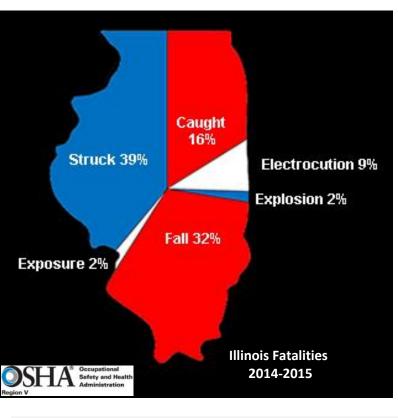
ILLINOIS WORKPLACE FATALITIES ON THE RISE



In Illinois about one person each week dies in a workplace accident

- Too many preventable injuries, illnesses and fatalities continue to occur in Illinois
- Workers and families should never accept the risk of death as a condition for employment

Commit to a Safe and Healthy Workplace in 2016

Workplace Safety Happens on Purpose- Not By Accident

Employers must plan for a safe and healthy workplace by developing a good safety and health program that includes: management leadership, worker participation, hazard identification, hazard prevention and control, education and training, and program evaluation and improvement. The basic idea behind these programs is to change the workplace culture by developing a process to identify and fix hazards.

Employers:

- Evaluate for workplace hazards
- Ensure machinery, tools, and work areas are in good working order
- Develop procedures to eliminate those hazards
- Provide PPE to employees and enforce its use
- Train employees on safe operating procedures and retrain frequently
- Encourage employees to report workplace hazards

Employees:

- Attend all workplace safety and health training
- Follow workplace safety and health procedures and review them frequently
- Maintain and wear issued PPE
- Don't take short cuts
- Report unsafe conditions and near misses

"Making a living shouldn't have to cost you your life. Workplace fatalities, injuries, and illnesses are preventable. Safe jobs happen because employers make the choice to fulfill their responsibilities and protect their workers."

— Dr. David Michaels Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health

OSHA realizes that most employers want to do the right thing and protect their workers from harm on the job. OSHA is committed to providing assistance. We provide free on-site consultation to small employers, as well as other compliance assistance, educational materials and training. We want to make sure that no business in this country fails to protect its workers because it can't afford good safety information or can't understand how to comply with safety and health standards. The Illinois On-site Consultation Program phone number is (800)972-4216. You can find On-site Consultation Program information for other State's by visiting the consultation page at OSHA's Web site, www.osha.gov/consultation.

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