Six Facts on Occupational Incidents



Odds of winning the lottery: 1 in 135,145,920 (multi-state, mega-millions jackpot) Odds that a 20-year-old worker will die before reaching retirement: 16 in 100. (Social Security Administration/CDC)

- 1. The International Labour Organization (ILO) says two million people across the world die from work-related causes every year.
- 2. The ILO estimates that four percent of the annual global Gross Domestic Product (\$1.25 trillion US) is lost because of direct and indirect costs associated with occupational injuries and illnesses, including lost workdays, medical expenses and lost productivity.
- 3. On average, five Canadians die each day on the job.
- 4. An average of 16 US workers lose their lives on the job every day.
- 5. Nearly 25 percent of all work-related deaths in the US involve fatal highway incidents.
- 6. The US fishing industry has the highest death rate of all industries, at 118.4 per 100,000 workers.