### 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.

 $\bullet$  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 onsite 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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# Indiana State & Local Government Employees



## Occupational Injuries, Illnesses and Fatalities

### INDIANA STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT WORKER INJURY & ILLNESS CHARACTERISTICS

Indiana State and Local Government Fast Stats: 1996-2008

Year	Employment (000's)	Injuries & Illnesses (000's)	Injury & Illness Rate	Fatalities
1996	-	20.2	7.7	9
1997	-	18.2	6.7	17
1998	339.6	17.1	6.3	16
1999	340.9	17.8	6.3	14
2000	330.5	21.8	7.6	13
2001	353.0	17.9	6.4	16
2002	355.6	17.3	6.1	11
2003	357.7	18.9	6.2	7
2004	363.4	16.9	5.6	9
2005	367.6	17.5	6.0	9
2006	360.3	19.7	6.6	7
2007	361.2	17.1	5.7	9
2008	368.8	15.5	5.7	9

2008 Indiana private industry injury and illness rate is 4.7.

#### Select Injury & Illness Rate by Industry (2008)

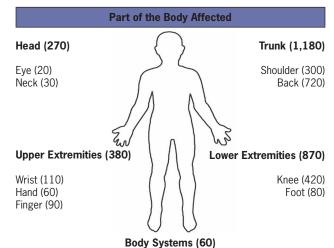
Indiana Government Industry	Rate
State Government	3.6
Hospitals	15.0
Nursing & Residential Care	11.4
Public Administration	3.7
Local Government	6.5
Water, Sewage & Other Systems	12.5
Transportation & Warehousing	9.0
Hospitals	7.4
Public Administration	6.9
Educational Services	6.1

Select Characteristics of Indiana State and Local Government Injuries and Illnesses with Days Away from Work (2008)

Total injuries with days away from work = 3,240 Median number of days away from work = 5

Nature of injury	Number
Sprains, strains & tears	1,470
Fractures	480
Soreness, pain	460
Bruises, contusions	310
Cuts, lacerations & punctures	80
Heat burns	30
Event resulting in injury	Number
Falls on the same level	980
Overexertion in lifting	550
Fall to a lower level	270
Assaults by a person	230
Struck by object	180
Struck against object	160
Overexertion (except lifting)	120
Transportation incidents	120
Repetitive motion	110
Exposure to harmful substance	90
Caught in object, equipment or material	70
Slip, trip	60
Source of injury	Numbor

<u>Source of injury</u>	Number
Floors, ground surfaces	1,260
Motion or position of injured worker	400
Containers	230
Machinery	230
Vehicles	190
Parts & materials	130
Furniture, fixtures	100
Healthcare patient	100
Chemicals	50
Hand tools	40



Multiple Body Parts (450)

Worker Demographics	<u>Number</u>	Age	<u>Number</u>
Gender		16-19	60
Male	1,550	20-24	110
Female	1,690	25-34	480
Race		35-44	660
White	2,140	45-54	980
Black	290	55-64	780
Hispanic/Latino	40	65 & older	160

Occupations	<u>Number</u>
Service providing	1,290
Professional & related	670
Management, business & financial	390
Transportation & material moving	320
Office & administrative support	220
Installation, maintenance & repair	190
Construction & extractive	130

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).