

# Workplace Accidents, injuries and Diseases in Australia September 2019 – infographic

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Agriculture, men and traumatic joint and muscle injuries a key theme in workplace accidents.

Even though workplaces becoming safer, safety still isn't perfect. See our workplace accidents infographics below for more.



*-Australian Council of Trade Unions: Work Shouldn't Hurt 2018*

## WHAT'S CAUSING WORKPLACE INJURIES?



Body stressing accidents  
e.g. dislocating a shoulder  
from lifting a heavy object  
**38% of all claims**



Falling, slipping  
and tripping  
**24% of all claims**



Being hit by a  
moving object  
**16% of all claims**

## ...AND WHAT ARE THE TOP INJURIES AND ILLNESSES?



Joint, ligament  
and tendon injuries  
**43,930 claims**



Wounds, lacerations, amputations  
and internal organ damage  
**16,690 claims**



Musculoskeletal  
and connective tissue  
**16,595 claims**



Fractures  
**11,485 claims**



Mental disorder  
**7,165 claims**



## MALES VS FEMALES



Males are **13 times more likely to die from a work-related injury and**

**20% more likely to make a serious injury claim.**



Females lose more time from work than males with a median of **5.8 weeks lost compared to 5.4 for males.**

### Sources:

- *Safe Work Australia: Work-related injury fatalities - Key WHS statistics Australia 2018*
- *Safe Work Australia: Work-related injury and disease - Key WHS statistics Australia 2018*