Six Facts on Machine Related Injuries



Odds of winning the lottery: 1 in 135,145,920 (multi-state, mega-millions jackpot) Lifetime odds of dying from contact with machinery: 1 in 4,742 (National Safety Council Odds of Dying)

- 1. Machinists and metal formers/shapers are the two occupations at greatest risk for machine-related injury, according to Statistics Canada.
- 2. Fatal occupational injury from machinery ranks third in the US after work-related motor vehicle deaths and work-related homicides. In fourth and fifth places respectively are work-related deaths from falls and electrical shock.
- 3. The top four US injuries for machinery-related deaths are agriculture, mining, manufacturing and construction.
- 4. The median number of lost workdays resulting from injuries involving machinery in the US is 7.
- 5. US occupational fatalities from machinery-related incidents accounted for 13 percent of total workplace deaths between 1980 and 1999, according to the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH).
- 6. In 2002 in Canada, 30 percent of machinery-related severe injuries involved the use of agricultural equipment and 30 percent were related to the use of lifting equipment.