

Health and Safety Bulletin (July/2026)

HSE Statistics 2024-2025

The latest statistics on work-related health and safety in Great Britain have been published, including the following key annual figures (2024/25):

- **1.9 million** working people suffering from a work-related illness, of which
 - **964,000** workers suffering work-related stress, depression or anxiety
 - **511,000** workers suffering from a work-related musculoskeletal disorder
- **2,146** mesothelioma deaths due to past asbestos exposures (2024)
- **126** workers killed in work-related accidents
- **680,000** working people sustained an injury at work according to the Labour Force Survey
- **59,219** injuries to employees reported under RIDDOR
- **40.1 million** working days lost due to work-related illness and workplace injury
- **£22.9 billion** estimated cost of injuries and ill health from current working conditions (2023/24)

The total number of deaths for 2024/25 is lower than the previous year (138). The industries with the highest deaths were construction (25), agriculture, forestry, and fishing (22), manufacturing (18), and transportation and storage (18).

The main kinds of fatal accidents for workers were falls from height (31), struck by moving vehicle (24), struck by moving object (21), trapped by something collapsing/overturning (18) and contact with moving machinery (10).

These statistics serve as an important reminder that investing in your people and workplace safety is not only the right thing to do but also makes good business sense. Focusing on employee wellbeing, mental health support and ergonomic improvements can help reduce the most common causes of work-related ill health, while robust risk assessments, training and safety controls, particularly around working at height, vehicle movements and machinery, can significantly lower the risk of workplace injuries and fatalities.

Maintaining effective occupational health, asbestos management and incident reporting processes will also help reduce lost working days, improve compliance and minimise the financial impact of workplace accidents and ill health.

If you would like support with implementing these measures or would like further advice, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

