

Occupational Safety and Health Surveillance Program



Did you know?

In 2011 in Nebraska, there were:

39 Work-related fatalities

775 Work-related hospitalizations

23,800 Estimated total work-related injuries and illnesses

Department of Health & Human Services



OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH IN NEBRASKA

Nearly one million people work in Nebraska, and more than 20,000 work-related injuries and illnesses are estimated to occur each year. Injuries and illnesses have significant impacts on workers and their families, employers, and the State of Nebraska. A safe and healthy workforce supports Nebraska's economy and helps Nebraskans live healthier lives.

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH SURVEILLANCE

Occupational health surveillance determines where, how, and why Nebraska workers get sick or hurt on the job. Occupational health data are used to detect trends in worker health, identify high-risk industries and occupations, and develop prevention strategies with the goal of reducing work-related injuries and illnesses.

PROGRAM BACKGROUND

The Nebraska Occupational Safety and Health Surveillance Program was established in 2010 with support from the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH). The program is one of 23 NIOSH funded state surveillance programs responsible for the collection, analysis, and interpretation of occupational health data.

WHAT WE DO

- Track numbers of work-related injuries and illnesses
- Calculate Nebraska's occupational health indicators
- Investigate occupational exposures, poisonings and emerging health issues
- Share findings with workers, employers, and the public health community
- Educate and inform the workforce on reducing risks to workplace hazards
- Help employers find resources for improving workplace safety and healthy

Learn More

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