

2018 State of safety

AS A NEW YEAR BEGINS, SAFETY+HEALTH OFFERS DATA TO HELP PAINT A PICTURE OF THE CURRENT SAFETY LANDSCAPE

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FALL PROTECTION – GENERAL REQUIREMENTS (1926.501) was OSHA's most-cited standard in FY 2017, with **6,887 VIOLATIONS.**



4,190

Number of unintentional injury-related worker fatalities recorded in 2015



The National Safety Council estimates that every week in 2015, **84,600 WORKERS** were injured on the job.

THE LARGEST PENALTY OSHA issued to an employer in FY 2017 was **\$2.6 MILLION.**



THE REGULATORY AGENDA PUBLISHED BY THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION IN AUGUST 2017 lists 14 OSHA regulations in three different stages:

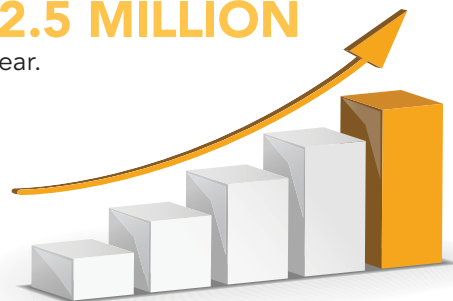
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The fall 2016 agenda had 30.

The National Safety Council estimates that **work-related injuries and deaths** cost society about

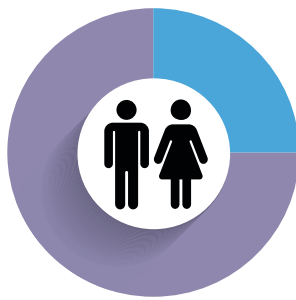
\$142.5 MILLION every year.





In 2015, one worker died on the job every **125 MINUTES.**

Respondents to Safety+Health's surveys consistently are about **25% WOMEN** and **75% MEN.** Does this reflect the occupational safety and health field in general? It's unclear.



THE THREE INDUSTRIES WITH THE MOST WORK-RELATED DEATHS ARE:

CONSTRUCTION

TRANSPORTATION AND WAREHOUSING

AGRICULTURE



50%

Very stable

41%

Relatively stable

MORE THAN 90%

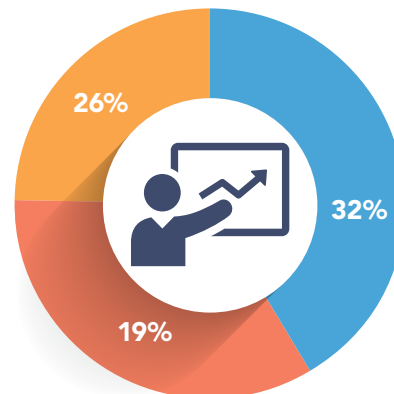
of respondents to Safety+Health's 2017 Job Outlook Survey consider their job "very" or "relatively" stable.

NEARLY

60% of respondents

say they've personally observed a shortage of qualified occupational safety and health professionals.

According to the results of Safety+Health's Training Survey, the **top 3 reasons for conducting worker safety training** are:



- To reduce injuries and illnesses
- To prevent complacency or to refresh
- To go beyond compliance

MORE THAN A QUARTER OF RESPONDENTS to Safety+Health's 2017 Salary Survey have worked in the safety and health field for **more than 25 years.**

Sources: Bureau of Labor Statistics; National Safety Council; OSHA; and Safety+Health's 2017 Job Outlook, Training and Salary surveys.