

Workplace Health and Safety Snapshot for Ontario Printing, Platemaking, and Binding Sector in 2021



20,571
Full-time employees



Events resulting in lost-time injury or illness

Injury or illness severe enough to require one or more days lost from work



32%

Exposure

(exposure to caustic, noxious, or allergenic substances; contact with temperature extremes)



29%

Bodily reaction and exertion

(overexertion, repetitive motion, bodily reaction)



22%

Contacts with objects and equipment

(struck by or against objects or equipment; caught in or compressed by objects or equipment)



17%

Falls

(falls to same or lower level)

Most common lost-time injuries

45

Exposure, includes injuries and illnesses resulting from exposure to caustic, noxious, or allergenic substances; contact with hot objects or substances; inhalation in open or nonconfined space; contact with skin, eye(s) or other exposed tissue.

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Bodily reaction and exertion, includes injuries and illnesses resulting from overexertion in pulling, pushing, lifting or turning objects; repetitive use of tools or placing objects; bending, climbing, crawling, reaching, twisting; repetitive motion; overexertion; slipping or tripping over something without fall.

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Contact with objects and equipment, includes struck by or against falling, flying, slipping, or discharged object; caught in or compressed by equipment or object; caught in running equipment or machinery; struck by flying object; struck by or slammed in swinging door or gate.

Top 3 Occupational Diseases

Based on approved WSIB claims for healthcare, being off work, loss of wages, or permanent disability.

50

Exposure, includes viral infection, other

24

Noise-induced hearing loss

5

Injury and poisoning, includes toxic effect of other gases, fumes, vapour; burn of wrist(s), hand(s), lower limb(s), unspecified degree; insect bite; toxic effect of alcohol, methyl alcohol

*Disease fatality claims with a fatality effective date of 2021. Source: WSIB Enterprise Information Warehouse as of March 31, 2021. RG 333 NAICS: 323113, 323114, 323115, 323116, 323119, 323120 Dec 2022 WSN



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Overview of Joint Health and Safety Committee certification training

JHSC Part 1, 2, and Refresher training in person or virtual, French or English

JHSC Certification: Part 1

The instructor-led course includes such topics as occupational health and safety law, rights, duties and responsibilities of the workplace parties, along with duties and responsibilities of JHSC members. Part 1 is also available in a [self-paced e-learning format in English](#).

JHSC Certification: Part 2

Focusing on the concepts of recognition, assessment, and control of hazards, and evaluation of the hazard controls, participants learn how to apply these concepts to a minimum of six hazards relevant to their own workplaces. In addition, learners practise drafting action plans and recommendations for the employer.

Key hazards in the workplace include:

- Unsafe operation of equipment
- Inadequate maintenance of machine guarding
- Failure to follow lock out procedures
- Poor lifting procedures
- Working in uncomfortable positions
- Work or equipment operation requiring repetitive motion
- Inadequate attention to workplace hazards while walking
- Failure to follow procedures while handling hazardous substances

JHSC Certification Refresher

Training includes a review of key concepts in Part 1 and 2 of JHSC certification along with updates to legislation, standards, and best practices.

The one-day refresher training program is legally required every three years and provides the most up-to-date information that JHSC professionals can use to keep their workplace health and safety practices current and effective.

Also Available

Competent Supervisor Training

(Disponible en français)

Equivalent to Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development's mandatory awareness program for supervisors, this program makes supervisors aware of their legal duties and responsibilities, and provides a sound foundation of health and safety knowledge to deal with the variety of issues they will face in their work.

Health and Safety Representative Basic Training

(Disponible en français)

Employers with 6 to 19 workers are required to ensure workplaces have a worker Health and Safety Representative (HSR), as stated in the Occupational Health and Safety Act. To help small businesses comply with the law, an e-learning program provides HSRs with the knowledge and skills they need to perform their legislated duties effectively.

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An independent not-for-profit, Workplace Safety North (WSN) is one of four sector-based health and safety associations in Ontario.

WSN provides province-wide government-approved workplace health and safety services for forest products and mining sectors.

With health and safety specialists located across the province, WSN and its legacy organizations have been helping make Ontario workplaces safer for more than 100 years.

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