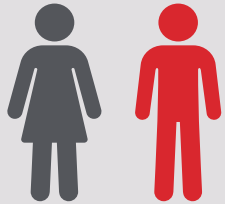


# Workplace accidents in the UK – what do the 2016/17 figures tell us?

We will always fight alongside trade unions to make sure staff are safe in the workplace.



**137** people were **fatally injured** at work\*

## Top causes of fatal accidents at work



Being hit by a vehicle



Being hit by an object



A fall from height



**13,000** workers' lives lost due to **dangerous working conditions** in the average year

**1.3m** people were **suffering** with a **new** or **long-standing work-related illness** in 2016/17



Work-related illnesses and non-fatal workplace injuries caused **31.2m** working days to be lost



**500,000**



cases of new, or ongoing, **work-related musculoskeletal disorders**

Employers reported

**70,116** of the **600,000**

**non-fatal workplace injuries** which took place to the HSE



Workers who suffered **injury** or **work-related ill health** lost out on **£8bn**, which is more than the combined cost of those injuries to both **employers** and the **government**



## SOURCES:

<https://www.rosipa.com/occupational-safety/advice/facts-figures/>

<http://www.hse.gov.uk/statistics/fatals.htm>

\*This is the official figure from the HSE, however reports suggest the number of people killed at work could be much higher.

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