

Safety Share

Guard Safety Scale

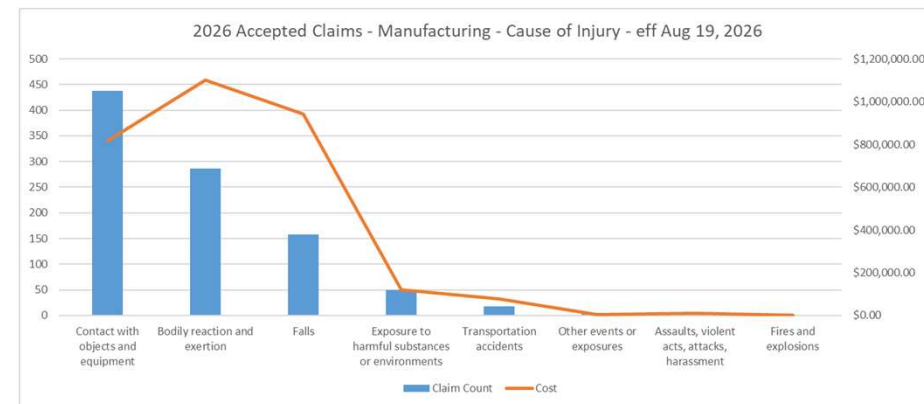
Opportunity

In 2026, 'contact with objects and equipment' represents 45% of the manufacturing industry's accepted workplace injury claims. The next highest cause of injury is 'bodily reaction and exertion' at 30%.

Engineering Control

When one is unable to eliminate a hazard, we must look to minimize its likelihood of causing harm. Effective machine guarding prevents worker contact while allowing for the proper operation and maintenance of equipment. It is crucial to identify if existing guards are effective. A guard safety scale is a tool for measuring guard or barrier opening sizes and their distance from mechanical hazards. The scale follows CSA and ANSI guidelines to ensure machine guards are positioned to prevent incidental contact with hazards.

Please email me at jweigel@wcbsask.com if you would like to receive a free guard safety scale. Additionally, onsite instruction can be provided by one of our Sr. Health & Safety Consultants.



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