Report for the Labour-Management Network, June 2021

Reporting Month Statistics

Reporting Month	Fatalities	Critical Injuries	Total
April 1 - 30, 2021	1	21	22

Reporting Month	Fatalities	Critical Injuries	Total
April 1 - 30, 2020	0	13	13

Fatality & Critical Injury Year-to-Date Overview – Construction

Injury Type	2021 January 1 – April 30	2020 January 1 – April 30
Fatal	4	8
Critical	93	64

Disclaimer: This information has been prepared to assist workplace parties in understanding their rights and duties under the Occupational Health and Safety Act (OHSA) and its regulations. This information does not constitute legal advice. To determine your rights and duties under the OHSA, please contact your legal counsel or refer to the legislation.

Section 2 – What's New

Ontario provides paid COVID-19 sick leave

Ontario has passed the *COVID-19 Putting Workers First Act*. The legislation fills some gaps in the Canada Recovery Sickness Benefit program, ensuring employees have access to three paid sick days for reasons related to COVID-19.

Learn more

Skilled Trades Panel Consultations

Phase 2 consultations are currently open until July 15, 2021 for the skilled trades panel.
To learn more, visit:
https://www.ontario.ca/page/skilled-trades-panel-consultations

2021 Occupational Health and Safety "Research Day" goes virtual

The Ministry and the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB) are hosting virtual "Research Day" events on June 17 and 24. These events will feature selected ministry-funded research and WSIB-funded research.

Register

Occupational exposure limits consultation

The Ministry is consulting on new or revised occupational exposure limits (OELs) based on the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists recommendations for 2018 and 2019. It is also consulting on other potential changes related to occupational health, including changes to the OELs for silica and hydrogen sulfide. The deadline for comments is June 7, 2021.

Read more

For more what's **new** – Ministry of Labour articles, see: What's New!

Section 3 – Court Bulletins

****There was no new construction related court bulletins to report on for this month****

Section 4 – Critical Injuries

Critical Injuries

Year-to-Date Overview and Comparison - Construction Sector

Injury Type	2021 April 1 – 30	2021 January 1 – April 30
Critical	**21**	**93**

Injury Type	2020 April 1 – 30	2020 January 1 – April 30
Critical	**13**	**64**

NOTE: These figures represent preliminary data and are not to be considered official statistics from the Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development. Official statistics will be issued quarterly by the Program Analysis, Evaluation and Outcomes Unit of the Occupational Health and Safety Branch of the Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development.

REPORTING MONTH: April 1 - 30, 2021 (21)

Monthly Summary Report: Critical

NOTE: Data are subject to change due to updates in the enforcement database. Only events reported to the ministry are included here. Except for fatalities, event categories in the ministry's data set are based on what was assigned at the time of the initial report to the ministry. The reported event category may not represent what occurred at the workplace

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SECTOR	REPORTED CAUSE	FALL	STRUCK BY	ELECTRICAL CONTACT	EXCAVATION COLLAPSE	OTHER	MONTH	YEAR
RESS		2	0				2	21
INST		2	0				2	7
RESM		3	1				4	19
INDU		2				1	3	15
ROAD		0				1	1	2
EXCA		0	1				1	1
COMM		5	0				5	13
MINP		0	0				0	0
NECC		1	0				1	2
RAIL		0	1			1	2	2
POWP		0	0				0	1
GRAD		0	0				0	0
SHIP		0	0				0	0
SHAF		0	0				0	0
CAIS		0	0				0	0
GAS		0	0				0	0
ETTL		0	0				0	4
HYDR		0	0				0	2
PAVE		0	0				0	0
SEWW		0	0				0	2
BRID		0	0				0	0
TUNN		0	0				0	1
WIND		0	0				0	0
TELE		0	0				0	1
MONTH		**15**	**3**	**0**	**0**	**3**	**21**	**93**
YEAR		**70**	**18**	**0**	**0**	**5**		

Critical Injuries: Totals: April 1 - 30, 2021 (21)

	Date of Incident	Municipality	Sector	Occupation	Age	Details (as reported to MOL)	Reported Cause
1	1-Apr-21	Toronto	INST			Worker fell from scaffold and suffered fracture to ankle	FALL
2	5-Apr-21	Mississauga	INDU			Worker lost footing while moving materials causing fracture to ankle	FALL
3	6-Apr-21	London	RESM			Worker slipped within a mobile elevating work platform causing fracture to wrist	FALL
4	8-Apr-21	Toronto	COMM			Worker's foot fell through work surface materials causing same level fall. Fractured wrist	FALL
5	8-Apr-21	Brampton	NEC			Worker fell approximately 3m	FALL

	Date of Incident	Municipality	Sector	Occupation	Age	Details (as reported to MOL)	Reported Cause
						causing fracture to arm	
6	8-Apr-21	Parry Sound	COMM	Mason		Mason fell approx. 3m. Suffered fracture to arm	FALL
7	8-Apr-21	London	INDU			Worker fractured wrist after fall from ladder	FALL
8	9-Apr-21	Mississauga	RESM			Worker critically injured after being struck by falling materials (rebar)	STRUCK BY
9	9-Apr-21	Moore	INDU			Worker suffered loss of consciousness while cleaning/sanitizing work area	OTHER
10	15-Apr-21	Markham	ROAD			Worker suffered severe burns when gas powered saw	OTHER

	Date of Incident	Municipality	Sector	Occupation	Age	Details (as reported to MOL)	Reported Cause
						caught on fire when in use	
11	15-Apr-21	Toronto	RAIL			Worker suffered loss of consciousness while working in elevator pit	OTHER
12	16-Apr-21	St. Catherine's	RESM			Two workers were critically injured (fractures) when work platform collapsed and fell approx. 7 storeys	FALL
13	21-Apr-21	Toronto	COMM			Worker suffered fracture to arm after fall from ladder	FALL
14	22-Apr-21	Toronto	RAIL			Worker suffered fracture to arm when it was caught between structure and mobile elevating work	STRUCK BY

	Date of Incident	Municipality	Sector	Occupation	Age	Details (as reported to MOL)	Reported Cause
						platform the worker was operating	
15	23-Apr-21	Auburn	EXCA			Worker fractured leg when struck by materials (wood)	STRUCK BY
16	27-Apr-21	Oro	COMM	Framer		Worker suffered fracture after fall from roof while installing trusses	FALL
17	28-Apr-21	Picton	RESS	Roofer		Worker suffered two fractured legs after fall from roof	FALL
18	28-Apr-21	Hamilton	RESS			Worker fractured ankle during same level trip/fall	FALL
19	29-Apr-21	Toronto	INST			Worker fractured ankle when accessing scaffold from slab	FALL

	Date of Incident	Municipality	Sector	Occupation	Age	Details (as reported to MOL)	Reported Cause
20	30-Apr-21	Etobicoke	COMM			Worker suffered fracture to arm after same level trip/fall	FALL

Section 5 – Fatal Injuries

Fatal Injuries

Year-to-Date Overview and Comparison - Construction Sector

Injury Type	2021 April 1 – 30	2021 January 1 – April 30
Fatal	**1**	**4**

Injury Type	2020 April 1 – 30	2020 January 1 – April 30
Fatal	**0**	**8**

Monthly Summary Report – Fatal April 1 - 30, 2021 – (1)

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Total Year-to-Date Fatal Injuries: January 1 – April 30, 2021 (4)

PROJECT SECTOR	REPORTED CAUSE	FALL	STRUCK BY	ELECTRICAL CONTACT	EXCAVATION COLLAPSE	OTHER	MONTH	YEAR
RESS								1
COMM								
EXCA								
INDU		1					1	1
RESM								
ROAD								1
SEWW								
TUNN								1
INST								
MONTH		1					1	4
YEAR		1	3					

	Date of Incident	Municipality	Project Sector	Employer Sector (NAICS)	Occupation	Age	Details (as reported to MOL)
1	21-Jan-21	Mississauga	TUNN	Other Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction (237990)	Labourer	31	A worker sustained fatal injuries when struck by equipment in a shaft/tunnel
2	25-Jan-21	Ottawa	RESS	Poured Concrete	Concrete Formworks	55	Worker was fatality injured

				Foundation and Structure Contractors (238110)			when struck by a concrete wall collapse.
3	24-Feb-21	Sudbury	ROAD	Construction, Transportation, Mining and Forestry Machinery and Equipment Rental and Leasing (532410)	Mobile Crane Operator	29	Mobile crane overturned while driving on project road, resulting in fatal injuries to one worker
4	**1-Apr-21**	**Brantford**	**INDU**	**Industrial Building and Structure Construction (236210)**	**Roofer**	**45**	**A worker fell through a roof surface, approximately 5m, resulting in fatal injuries**

All new entries (current month and reconciled data) appear in **bold**.

NOTE: Some detail will inevitably be missing from the PLMHSC Report. The document is intended to provide an initial overview, not a comprehensive report. Annual data reporting approved by the Director should be used by stakeholders if they wish to see all data available to the Ministry related to an event.

SECTOR DESCRIPTION	SHORT DESC

Asbestos Removal - Type 1	ASB1
Asbestos Removal - Type 2	ASB2
Asbestos Removal - Type 3	ASB3
Bridge Construction	BRID
Cable	CABL
Caisson	CAIS
Cofferdam	COFF
Commercial Building Construction	COMM
Diving Construction	DCON
Diving Environmental	DENV
Diving Industrial	DIND
Diving Mining	DMIN
Electrical Towers & Transmission Lines	ETTL
Excavation	EXCA
Gas Service Connection	GAS
Excavation - Grading	GRAD
Hydro	HYDR
Industrial Building Construction	INDU
Institutional Building Construction	INST
Marine Construction	MARE
Mining Plant Construction	MINP
Moving of a Building/Structure	MOVE
NEC - Construction	NECC
NEC - Diving	NECD
Asphalt Paving	PAVE
Pipeline	PIPE
Hydroelectric Power Plants & Rel	POWP
Railway	RAIL
Apartment & Other Multiple Housing	RESM
Single Family Housing	RESS
Highway & Road Construction	ROAD
Sewer/Watermain Construction	SEWW
Shaft Construction	SHAF
Shipbuilding & Repair	SHIP
Subway	SUBW
Telephone	TELE
Trenching	TREN
Tunnel	TUNN

Well Drilling	WELL
Window Cleaning Services	WIND