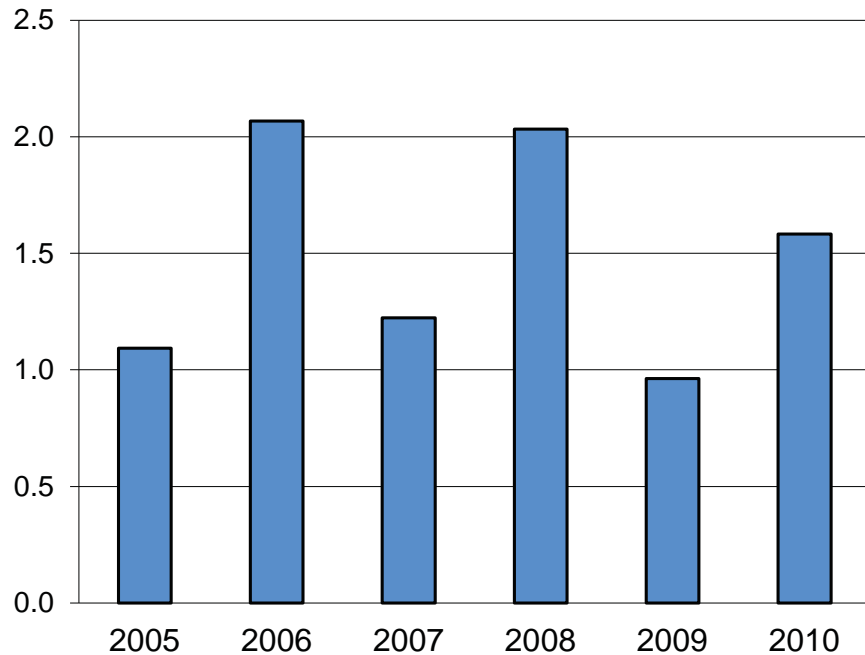


Paid indemnity claims per 100 logging industry workers



Note: Chart only includes claims with cash benefits. Claims with medical benefits only are not included.

Workers' compensation statistics resources

Minnesota employers, employees and safety managers can find useful information about occupational injuries and illnesses at www.dli.mn.gov/Research.asp.

Also available online or by request:

- statistical data about key workers' compensation issues;
- the annual *Workers' Compensation System Report*, which examines trends in workers' compensation claims and benefits; and
- the *Workplace Safety Report*, which provides an overview of injury and illness rates statewide and for key industries.

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Workers' Compensation Claim Characteristics in the Logging Industry 2005 through 2010



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Logging Claim Characteristics in Minnesota

Event or exposure	Percent of total
Fall	28%
Overexertion	18%
Struck by object	18%
Transportation incidents	7%
Caught in equipment	6%
Struck against object	6%
Slip, trip, loss of balance	4%
Exposure (hot, cold, chemicals)	3%

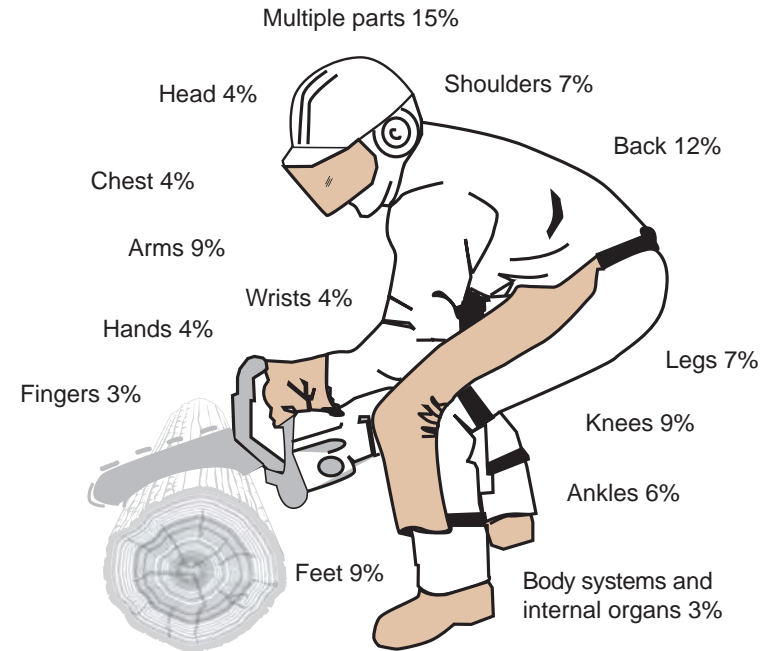
Nature of injury or disease	Percent of total
Fractures	24%
Pain	22%
Sprains and strains	19%
Open wounds	7%
Contusions	6%
Diseases	3%
Multiple injuries	2%



Source of injury or illness	Percent of total
Ground	21%
Parts and materials	18%
Machinery	13%
Injured worker	10%
Tools, equipment	10%
Trees	10%
Vehicles	10%

Indemnity claim frequency, duration and cost
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From 2005 through 2010, there were 68 indemnity claims. • 42 percent had fewer than five weeks of temporary total disability. • Half of the claims received less than \$3,700 in indemnity benefits (adjusted for wage growth). • 40 percent of the injuries occurred from December through February.

Part of body injured



Injured-worker characteristics

- 81 percent were between ages 25 and 44.
- 41 percent had worked for less than one year with their current employer.
- Most common occupations were:
 - logging equipment operators, 34 percent;
 - truck drivers, 27 percent; and
 - other logging workers, 25 percent.