

IMPACT OF WORKPLACE INJURY REPORT

In 2022, WCB Nova Scotia provided coverage
to approximately

353,000 WORKERS

20,600 EMPLOYERS

While Nova Scotia continues to become a safer place to work, workplace injury has a significant impact on the province's people and economy.

Workers' compensation provides no-fault insurance coverage to Nova Scotia's valued workforce. It provides security from the impact of injury for workers and their families, and protects employers from lawsuit due to workplace injury.

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WORKERS' COMPENSATION BOARD OF NOVA SCOTIA

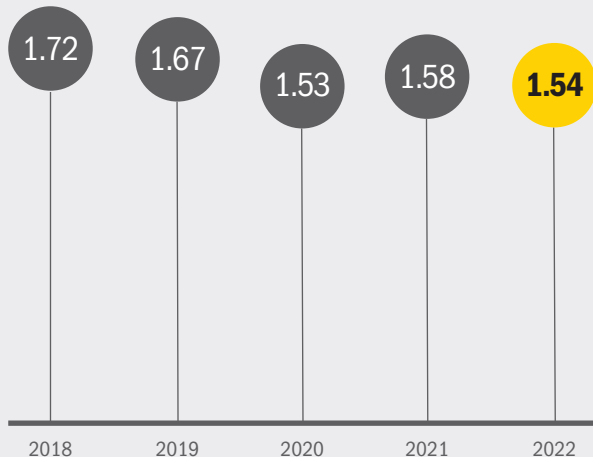
HOW MANY NOVA SCOTIANS WERE INJURED AT WORK IN 2022?

1.54

Time-loss injuries per 100 covered workers

5,420

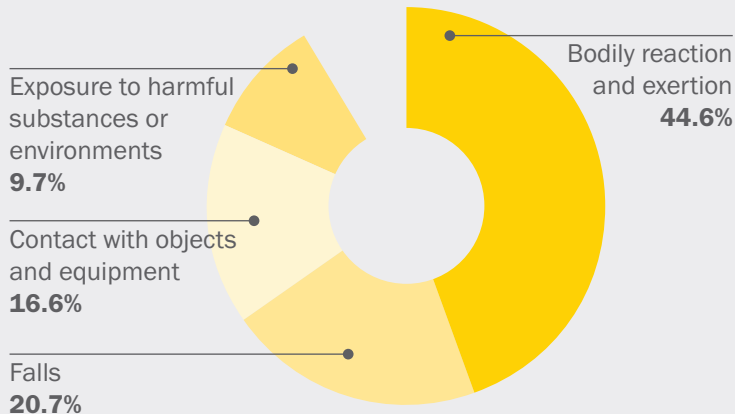
Nova Scotians were injured seriously enough to lose three or more days from work.



HOW ARE NOVA SCOTIANS GETTING INJURED AT WORK?

Injury Events

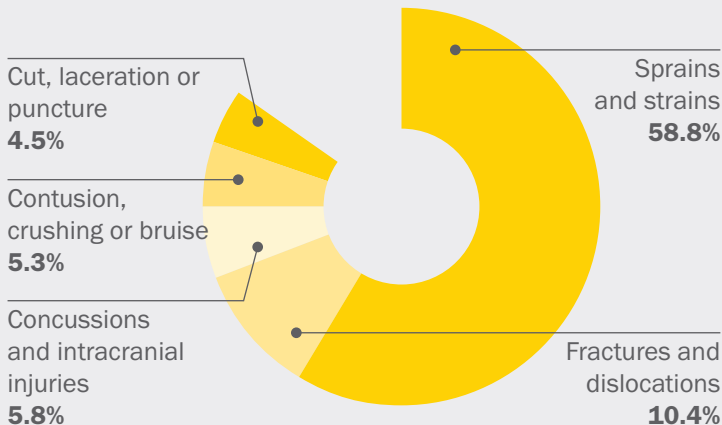
44.6% of the time-loss injuries in 2022 were caused by the improper or repetitive movement of a body part.



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Types of Injuries

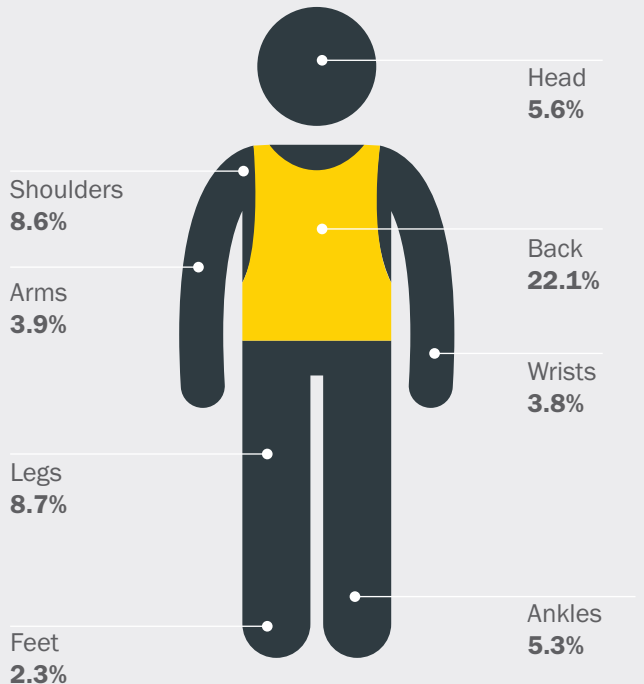
Sprains and strains are by far the most common type of workplace injury in our province.



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Injury Location

1,199, or approximately **22%** of all time-loss injuries were to **the back**, the most frequently injured part of the body.



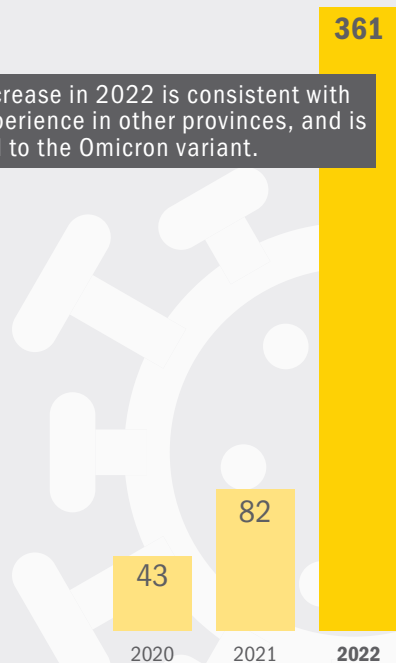
*All Other 39.7%

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COVID-19

In 2022, **361** Nova Scotians contracted COVID-19 during the course of their work, which caused them to lose time from work. These accounted for **6.7%** of all time-loss claims in 2022.

The increase in 2022 is consistent with the experience in other provinces, and is related to the Omicron variant.



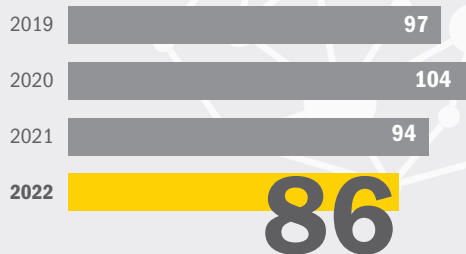
HOW MANY NOVA SCOTIANS EXPERIENCED PSYCHOLOGICAL INJURY DUE TO THEIR WORK?

In 2022, **135** Nova Scotians lost time from work due to a psychological injury. Of those, **86** were first responders.

TOTAL PSYCHOLOGICAL INJURIES

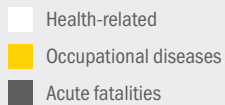


FIRST RESPONDERS

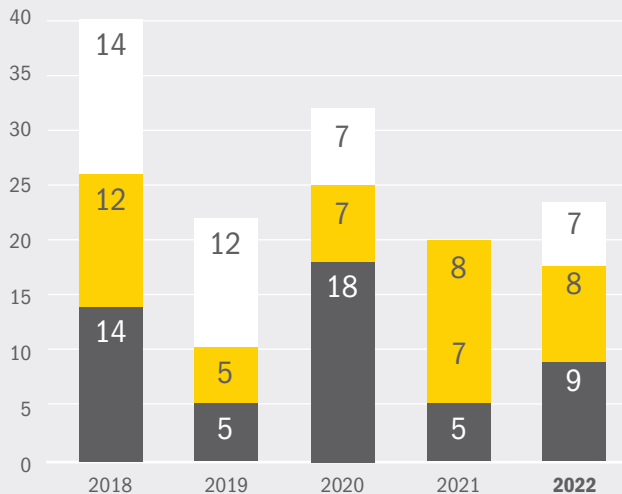


HOW MANY NOVA SCOTIANS DIED AT WORK OR BECAUSE OF THEIR WORK IN 2022?

In 2022, **24** Nova Scotians died at work or because of their work.

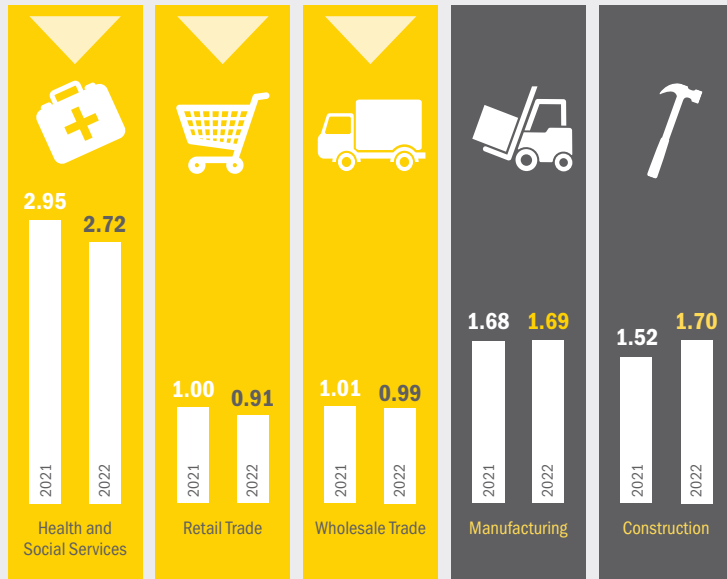


ANNUAL TOTAL	40	22	32	20	24
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022



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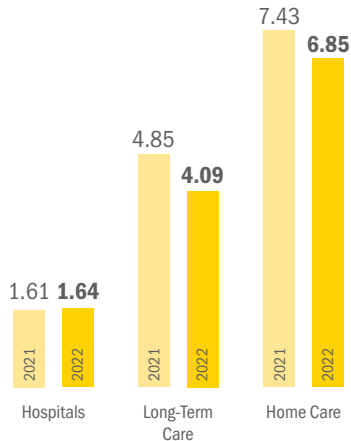
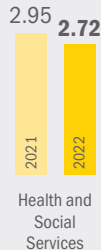
In 2022, three of Nova Scotia's five largest major industries saw improvements in their injury rates.



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Health and Social Services

While Health and Social Services continues to have the highest injury rate in the province, the sector has seen sustained progress in both injury frequency and the days lost to workplace injury.



HOW MANY DAYS WERE LOST TO WORKPLACE INJURY?

Compared to 2021, nearly **52,000** fewer days were lost to workplace injury in 2022. That's the equivalent of about **200** people working full-time for a whole year.

While Nova Scotia is making progress in improving return-to-work outcomes, there is still work to do.

1,078,534 **2021**
- 1,026,730 **2022**

52,000

FEWER DAYS LOST TO WORKPLACE INJURY