

## Slips, Trips and Falls

... a major cause of injuries for Nova Scotia workers

\$7,330

Average benefit payments for time-loss claim due to a work-related slip, trip or fall injury<sup>1</sup>

85





Average days lost from work due to a slip, trip, fall injury<sup>1</sup>

Primary contributing factors for slip, trips, falls:

- Ice+snow
- Water+liquio
- Getting in/out of vehicle
- Going up/down steps and stairs

2020 claims resulting from a **slip, trip or fall on ice** totalled

\$.985 M

9,890

in benefit payments and

in lost days from work.



## Did you know?

An unrestrained adult fall from standing has been shown to produce **12x's more force** than what is required to cause a simple skull fracture.<sup>2</sup>

## % of time-loss claims involving



Fall to same level 53%

Trip with no fall

Fall to lower level 17%

1008

Nova Scotians missed time from work in 2020 due to a slip, trip or fall injury.





2,862

people experienced a work-related slip, trip, fall injury in 2020.

233

In 2020, the equivalent of 233 full-time employees missed a full year of work because of a slip, trip or fall injury.

78% of all slip, trip and fall time-loss claims occur in these sectors:

Health/ Social Services



Construction



Retail Trade



Wholesale Trade



Manufacturing



Government Services



Accommodation/ Food/Beverage



Transportation/ Storage



<sup>2</sup> http://www.portfolio.mvm.ed.ac.uk/studentwebs/session2/group62/head.htm

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Benefit payments through to February 2021.