

Machinery: Pick Six

Lifetime odds of dying from contact with machinery: 1 in 4,742
(National Safety Council Odds of Dying)

2: Machinists and metal formers/shapers are the two occupations at greatest risk for machine-related injury, according to Statistics Canada.

3. Fatal occupational injury from machinery ranks third in the US after work-related motor vehicle deaths and work-related homicides. In fourth and fifth places respectively are work-related deaths from falls and electrical shock.

4: The top four US injuries for machinery-related deaths are agriculture, mining, manufacturing and construction.

7: The median number of lost workdays resulting from injuries involving machinery in the US is 7.

13: US occupational fatalities from machinery-related incidents accounted for 13 percent of total workplace deaths between 1980 and 1999, according to the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH).

30: In 2002 in Canada, 30 percent of machinery-related severe injuries involved the use of agricultural equipment and 30 percent were related to the use of lifting equipment.