

Prevent Slips, Trips and Falls Hospitality Safety Stats and Facts

FACTS

Here are some key facts regarding slips, trips, and falls in the hospitality industry:

1. **Prevalence:** Slips, trips, and falls are common causes of injuries in hospitality, affecting both employees and guests.
2. **Financial Impact:** These accidents can result in significant financial losses due to medical expenses, legal fees, and reputational damage.
3. **Occupational Hazard:** Workers in hospitality face heightened risks due to the nature of their environment.
4. **Guest Safety:** Hazards also pose risks to guests, leading to potential liabilities for establishments.
5. **Regulatory Compliance:** Hospitality businesses must adhere to safety regulations to avoid fines and penalties.
6. **Preventability:** Many incidents are preventable through proactive safety measures such as maintenance, training, and hazard assessments.

STATS

- Slips, trips and falls are the most common accidents in the hospitality industry, accounting for about 30% of all non-fatal injuries.
- Incidents involving floors lead to more than 7 million emergency room visits and 36,000 deaths each year, with most injuries and deaths due to a slip, or trip and fall, according to U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) National Electronic Injury Surveillance System (NEISS) data.

In 2020, there were 162,222 slip and fall injuries reported by the Canadian Institute for Health Information (CIHI), constituting 59.5% of all ER visits for injuries that year.

- Hospital records indicate that over 8 million patients visit the emergency room every year for a slip, trip, or fall injury.
- There are a lot of hospitality workers who are suffering both physically and financially. Over 175,000 injuries led to more than a week off of work for employees last year.
- In Canada, over 42,000 workers per year are injured due to fall accidents.