

Workplace Health and Safety Snapshot for Ontario Sawmill Sector in 2025



4,887

Full-time employees



Events resulting in lost-time injury or illness

Injury or illness severe enough to require one or more days lost from work



46%

Contact with objects or equipment

(struck by or against object; caught in or compressed by equipment or objects; and rubbed or abraded by friction or pressure)



29%

Bodily reaction and exertion

(excessive physical effort; free bodily motion that results in stress or strain on the body; assuming an unnatural position; and repetitive motion)



18%

Falls

(falls on same level, jumps to lower level; falls to lower level)



6%

All other

(contact with temperature extremes; exposure to caustic, noxious, or allergenic substances; explosions; nonhighway incident)

Most common lost-time injuries

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Contact with objects or equipment, includes struck against stationary or moving objects; struck by falling, flying or sliding objects; struck by slipping handheld objects; caught in or compressed by equipment or objects; caught in running equipment or machinery; compressed or pinched by rolling or shifting objects.

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Bodily reaction and exertion, includes bending, climbing, crawling, reaching or twisting; overexertion in lifting, pulling or pushing objects; repetitive motion or repetitive use of tools; slipping without a fall; repetitive placing or moving objects.

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Falls, includes falls to floor; walkway, or other surface; falls onto or against objects; falls to lower level.

Occupational Disease



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Noise-induced hearing loss based on approved WSIB claims for healthcare, being off work, loss of wages, or permanent disability.

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