## Statistics on Injuries and Occupational Incidences in Taiwan 本開偉,黃濱鋒

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## Abstract

Injury statistics are of vital importance in the prevention of occupational incidence on

workplace. The Council of Labor Affairs (CLA) in Taiwan has published injury statistics annually which

provide sources in studying the significance of loss prevention for industries. This article summarizes the

statistics of major occupational injuries in Taiwan based on the official publication of the CLA. A focus of

the study was on the seven year trend of injury statistics during 2003 to 2009. The results of the study show

that injuries caused by being caught in/compressed by, cut/cut/abrasion, and fall were ranked as the top three

injury patterns. Investigations and interventions are, therefore, in urgent needs to tackle these problems. In

addition, it was not clear how much cost in dollar amount had been paid by both the victims, employers, and

the society for these injury patterns according to the CLA Annual Reports. An in-depth investigation is,

therefore, required to determine the severity and financial burden for the major injury patterns which will

provide one of the bases for the determination of interventions required in preventing these incidences.

Keyword: injury statistics; workplace; occupational incidence