

Which Workplace Injuries Are Most Responsible for Long-Term Disabilities in 2021?



- 01 Handling cargo and heavy objects
- 02 Trips, slips and falls
- 03 Falls to lower levels (i.e., falling off ladders or scaffolding)
- 04 Impacts from falling or propelled objects
- 05 Awkward posture or motions leading to sprains, strains or other serious injuries
- 06 On-the-job auto accidents
- 07 Slipping or tripping without falling
- 08 Walking into fixed objects or equipment
- 09 Being caught in machinery
- 10 Repetitive motions (especially with hands and shoulders)



The combined cost of these injuries for businesses is an estimated \$58 billion per year.¹

How Much Do Workplace Injuries Cost the U.S. Economy Each Year?

The National Safety Council's analysis of 2019 workplace injuries concluded that on-the-job injuries cost an estimated **\$171 billion**.²

\$53.9 billion

health care & rehabilitation costs



\$59.7 billion

administrative costs



\$13.3 billion

uninsured expenses



105 million

total lost workdays



\$42,000

cost per worker who sought medical attention for workplace injuries

\$1.22 million

average economic cost per worker death



¹<https://business.libertymutual.com/insights/2021-workplace-safety-index-the-top-10-causes-of-disabling-injuries/>

²<https://injuryfacts.nsc.org/work/costs/work-injury-costs/>