

# **Annual Report**

**of**

***Occupational Injuries and Illnesses***

**2015**

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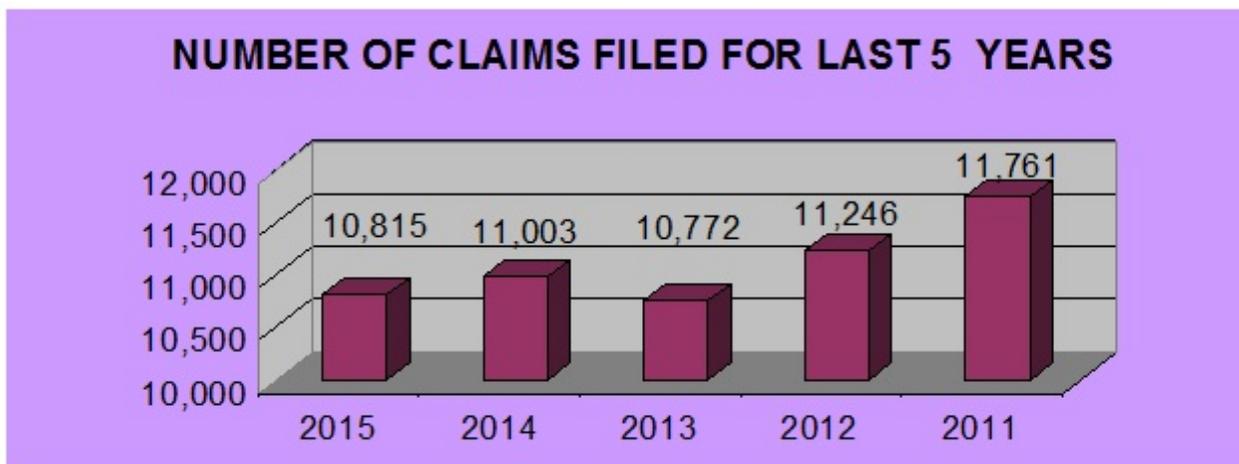
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## 2015 Statistical Highlights

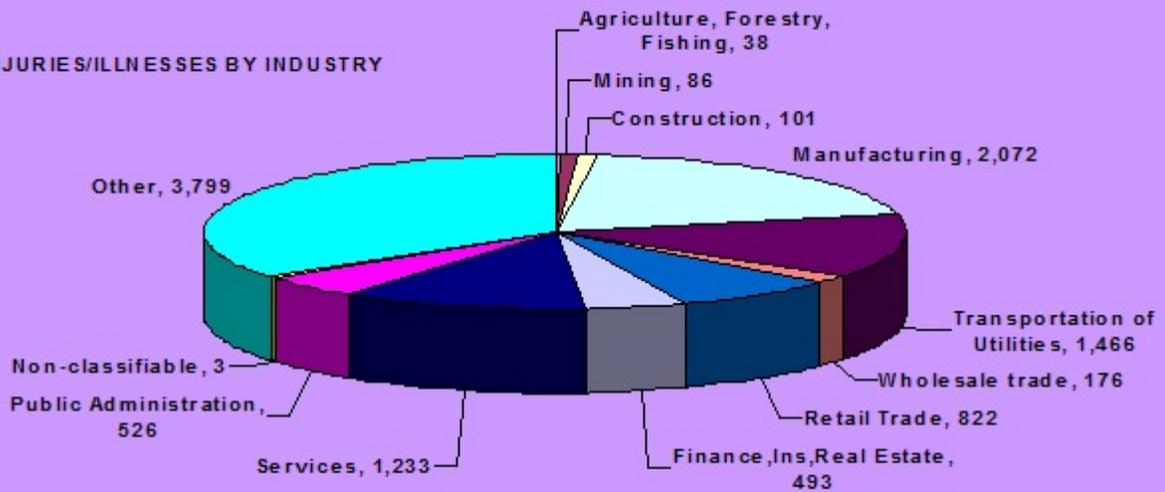
- There were 10,815 claims filed in 2015 that caused employees to miss work 5 or more days.
- There were 2,659 claims controverted in 2015.
- Hinds County was the county with the most occurrence of injuries with a total of 1,261 claims followed by Harrison county with 724 claims.
- Females were reported less frequently with 4,298 claims (39.74%).
- Major injuries or illnesses occurred on Monday, with a total of 2,024 claims.
- August was reported most frequently as the month of occurrence with 1,001 claims or 9.26% followed by June with 983 claims or 9.05%.
- Strains were the leading nature of injury with 3,906 claims or 36.12%.
- Lower Back -Lumbar was the part of body affected most with a total of 1,383 claims or 12.79% followed by Multiple Body Parts with a total of 1,265 claims or 11.70%.
- Lifting was the leading cause of injury with a total of 1,316 claims or 12.17%, followed by Fall Slip, trip with 992 claims.
- There were 92 fatalities reported in 2015.
- There were 7,790 claims received from Insurance carriers, 2,953 from Self-Insured employers.



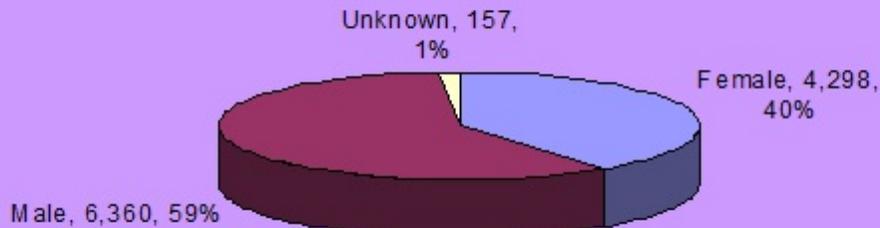
## INJURIES/ILLNESSES BY INDUSTRY AND GENDER 2015

<u>Description</u>	<u>FREQUENCY</u>	<u>PERCENT</u>
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing	38	0.35%
Mining	86	0.80%
Construction	101	0.93%
Manufacturing	2,072	19.16%
Transportation of Utilities	1,466	13.56%
Wholesale trade	176	1.63%
Retail Trade	822	7.60%
Finance, Ins, Real Estate	493	4.56%
Services	1,233	11.40%
Public Administration	526	4.86%
Non-classifiable	3	0.03%
Other	3,799	35.13%
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,815</b>	<b>100%</b>

2015 INJURIES/ILLNESSES BY INDUSTRY

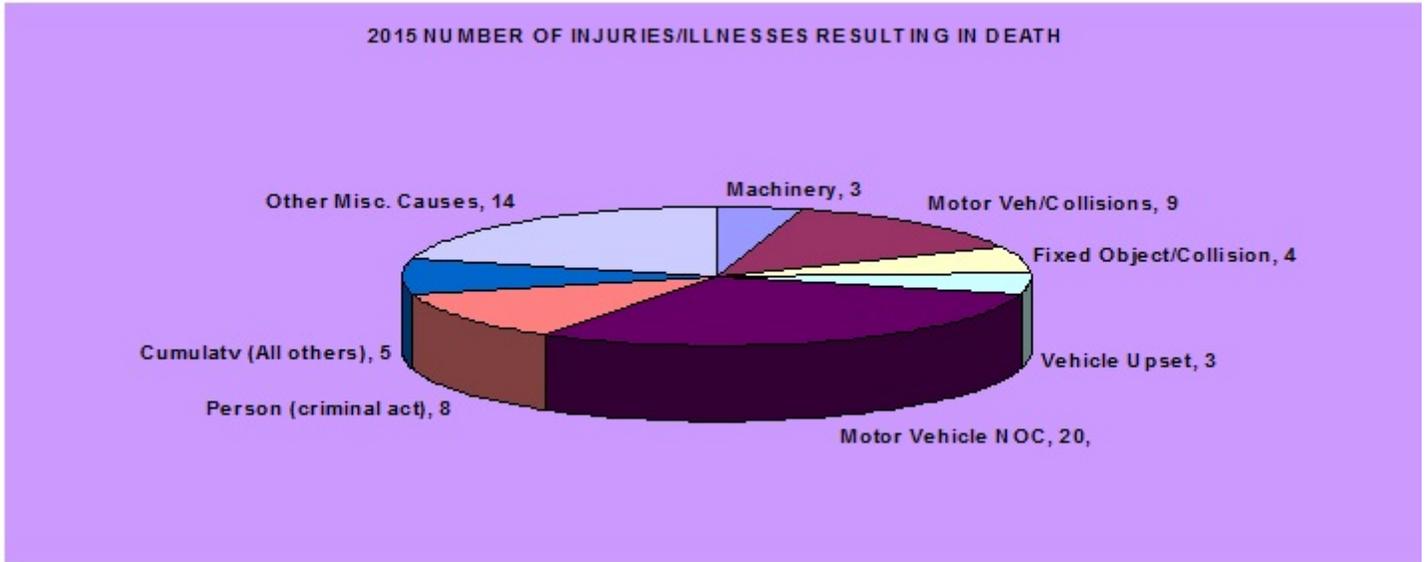


2015 INJURIES/ILLNESSES BY GENDER



**TOTAL NUMBER OF INJURIES/ILLNESSES RESULTING IN DEATH  
LISTED BY CAUSE - 2015**

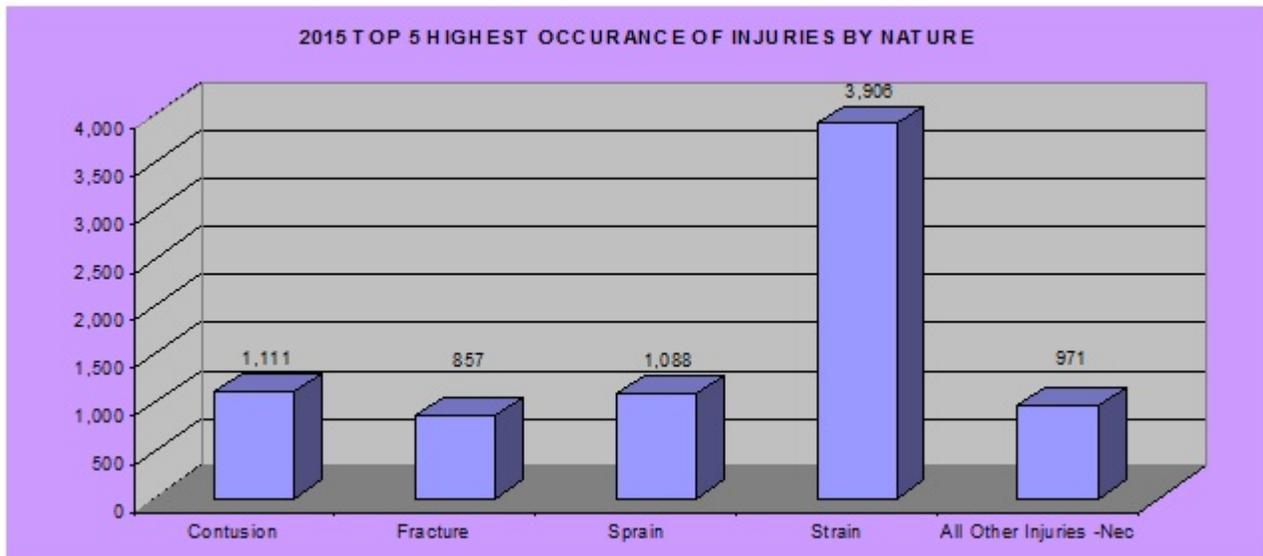
**Total :92**



<u>Description</u>	<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Temperature Extremes	1	1.09%
Contact with NOC	1	1.09%
Machinery	3	3.26%
Collapsing Materials	1	1.09%
Fall/Slip From Different Level	2	2.17%
From Ladder, Scaffolding	1	1.09%
From Liquid or Grease Spills	1	1.09%
Fall/Slip/Trip NOC	1	1.09%
Motor Vehicle/Collisions	9	9.78%
Fixed Object/Collision	4	4.35%
Vehicle Upset	3	3.26%
Motor Vehicle NOC	20	21.74%
Lifting	1	1.09%
Strain/Injury NOC	1	1.09%
Person (not in act of crime)	2	2.17%
Struck/Injury by Falling Object	1	1.09%
Motor Vehicle	2	2.17%
Struck/Injured by NOC	2	2.17%
Absorption/Ingestion/Inhalation NOC	1	1.09%
Electrical Current	1	1.09%
Explosion/Flare Back	1	1.09%
Person (Criminal Act)	8	8.70%
Other Than Physical	4	4.35%
Gunshot	2	2.17%
Cumulative (All Others)	5	5.43%
Other Misc. Causes	14	15.22%
<b>Total</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>100%</b>

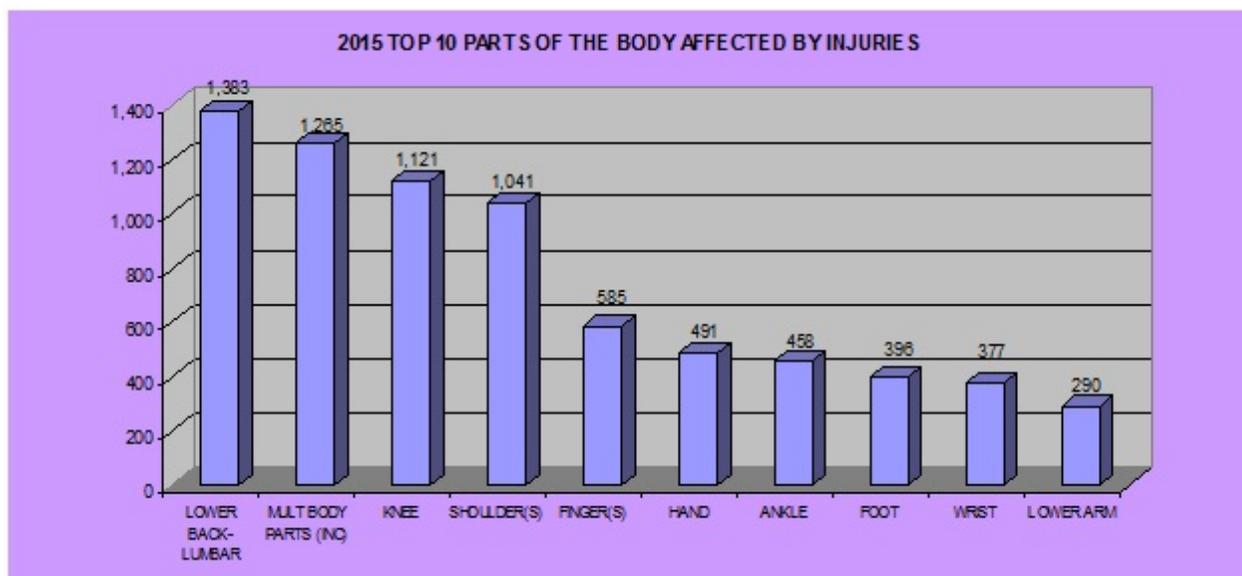
## NUMBER OF INJURIES/ILLNESSES BY NATURE OF INJURY 2015

<u>Description</u>	<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Percent</u>
No Physical Injury	128	1.18%	Severance	19	0.18%
Amputation	67	0.62%	Sprain	1,088	10.06%
Angina Pectoris	7	0.06%	Strain	3,906	36.12%
Burn	174	1.61%	Swoon, Faint, Passing Out, or No Other Injury	68	0.63%
Concussion	58	0.54%	Asphyxiation	3	0.03%
Contusion	1,111	10.27%	Vascular Loss	12	0.11%
Crushing	183	1.69%	Vision Loss	2	0.02%
Dislocation	113	1.04%	All Other Injuries	971	8.98%
Electric Shock	14	0.13%	Respiration Disorder/Gas, Fumes	24	0.22%
Foreign Body	60	0.55%	Poisoning-Chemical (Non Metal)	3	0.03%
Fracture	857	7.92%	Dermatitis	14	0.13%
Freezing	4	0.04%	Mental Disorder	5	0.05%
Hearing Loss or Impaired (Traumatic)	13	0.12%	All Other Occupational Disease NOC	18	0.17%
Heat Prostration	48	0.44%	Loss of Hearing	10	0.09%
Hernia	115	1.06%	Contagious Disease	5	0.05%
Infection	31	0.29%	VDT Related Disease	1	0.01%
Inflamation	243	2.25%	Mental Stress	40	0.37%
Laceration	564	5.21%	Carpal Tunnel Syndrome	102	0.94%
Myocardial Infarction	25	0.23%	All Other Cumulative Injury	100	0.92%
Poisoning- General	2	0.02%	Multiple Injury Physical Only	425	3.93%
Puncture	102	0.94%	Multiple Injury-Physical & Psychological	14	0.13%
Rupture	66	0.61%	<b>Total</b>	<b>10,815</b>	<b>100%</b>



## NUMBER OF INJURIES/ILLNESSES BY PART OF THE BODY AFFECTED 2015

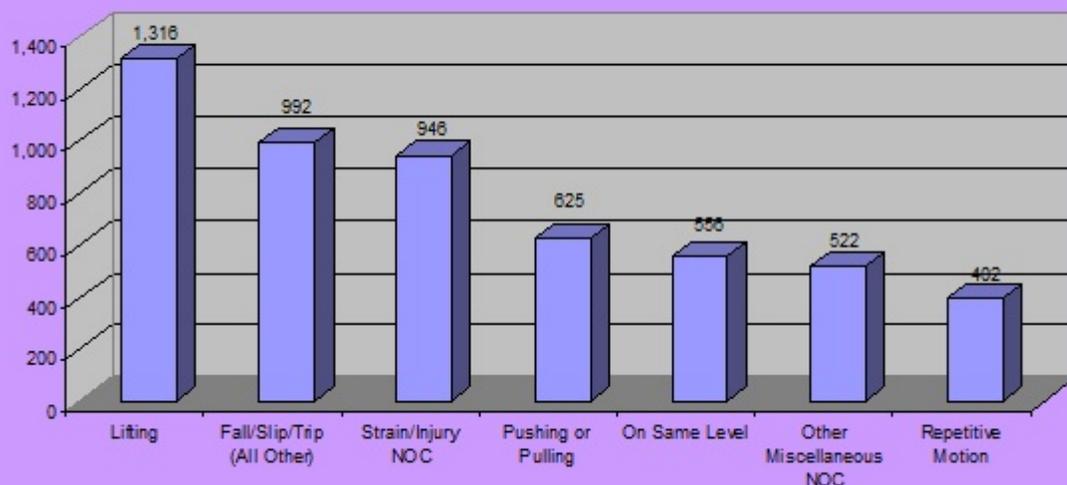
Description	Frequency	Percent	Description	Frequency	Percent
MULTIPLE HEAD INJURY	143	1.32%	DISC(TRUNK)	21	0.19%
SKULL	62	0.57%	CHEST-RIBS, STERN	114	1.05%
BRAIN	42	0.39%	SACRUM AND COCCYX	7	0.06%
EAR(S)	28	0.26%	PELVIS	19	0.18%
EYES(S)	106	0.98%	SPINAL CORD VERTEBRAL	6	0.06%
NOSE	20	0.18%	INTERNAL ORGANS	30	0.28%
TEETH	7	0.06%	HEART	36	0.33%
MOUTH	15	0.14%	MULTIPLE LOW EXTREMITIES	206	1.90%
OTHER SOFT TISSUE	79	0.73%	HIP	99	0.92%
FACIAL BONES	19	0.18%	THIGH	56	0.52%
MULTIPLE NECK INJURY	93	0.86%	KNEE	1,121	10.37%
VERTEBRAE	28	0.26%	LOWER LEG	257	2.38%
DISC(NECK)	29	0.27%	ANKLE	458	4.23%
SPINAL CORD - NECK	2	0.02%	FOOT	396	3.66%
LARYNX	2	0.02%	TOE(S)	58	0.54%
SOFT TISSUE	61	0.56%	GREAT TOE	17	0.16%
MULTIPLE UPPR EXTREMITIES	282	2.61%	LUNGS	23	0.21%
UPPER ARM	141	1.30%	ABDOMEN (INC GROIN)	223	2.06%
ELBOW	173	1.60%	BUTTOCKS	18	0.17%
LOWER ARM	290	2.68%	TRUNK VERTEBRAE (NOC)	31	0.29%
WRIST	377	3.49%	ARTIFICIAL APPLIANCE	2	0.02%
HAND	491	4.54%	INSUFFICIENT INFO	144	1.33%
FINGER(S)	585	5.41%	NO PHYSICAL INJURY	111	1.03%
THUMB	143	1.32%	MULT BODY PARTS (INC)	1,265	11.70%
SHOULDER(S)	1,041	9.63%	BODY SYSTEM MULTIPLE	104	0.96%
WRIST(S)&HAND(S)	93	0.86%	WHOLE BODY	27	0.25%
MULTIPLE TRUNK	90	0.83%	<b>Total</b>	<b>10,815</b>	<b>100%</b>
UPPER BACK- THORACIC	141	1.30%			
LOWER BACK- LUMBAR	1,383	12.79%			



## NUMBER OF INJURIES/ILLNESSES BY CAUSE OF INJURY 2015

Description	Frequency	Percent	Description	Frequency	Percent
Chemicals	37	0.34%	Pushing or Pulling	625	5.78%
Contact With Hot Object or Substar	38	0.35%	Reaching	135	1.25%
Temperature Extremes	44	0.41%	Using Tool or Machine	98	0.91%
Fire or Flame	24	0.22%	Strain/Injury NOC	946	8.75%
Steam or Hot Fluids	40	0.37%	Wielding/Throwing	8	0.07%
Dust, Gases, Fumes or Vapors	10	0.09%	Striking/Stepping on Moving Parts	11	0.10%
Welding Operations	7	0.06%	Lifted/Handled Object	45	0.42%
Contact with NOC	43	0.40%	Sand,Scrap, Clean OPR	1	0.01%
Machinery	172	1.59%	Stationary Object	112	1.04%
Cold Objects or Substances	1	0.01%	Step on Sharp Object	11	0.10%
Object Handled	173	1.60%	Strike Against/Step on NOC	78	0.72%
Caught In/Under or Between	216	2.00%	Person (Not in act of crime)	196	1.81%
Abnormal Air Pressure	1	0.01%	Struck/Injury By Falling Object	284	2.63%
Cut/Scrape By Broken Glass	19	0.18%	Hand Tool/Mac In Use	94	0.87%
Hand Tool, Not Powered	64	0.59%	Motor Vehicle	90	0.83%
Object Being Lifted Or Handled	136	1.26%	Machine Moving Parts	35	0.32%
Powered Hand Tool	72	0.67%	Lifted Or Handeld Object	180	1.66%
Cut/Puncture/Scrape Noc	152	1.41%	OBJ Handled by Other	34	0.31%
Collapsing Materials	12	0.11%	Struck/Injured By NOC	234	2.16%
Fall/Slip Different Level	304	2.81%	Absorption/Ingestion/Inhalation NOC	34	0.31%
From Ladder or Scaffolding	146	1.35%	Electrical Current	18	0.17%
From Liquid or Grease Spills	162	1.50%	Animal or Insect	81	0.75%
Into Opening	49	0.45%	Explosion/Flare Back	7	0.06%
On Same Level	556	5.14%	Foreign Body in Eye	41	0.38%
Slipped, Did Not Fall	92	0.85%	Person (Criminal Act)	69	0.64%
Fall/Slip/Trip (All Other)	992	9.17%	Other Than Physical	161	1.49%
On Ice or Snow	66	0.61%	Mold	4	0.04%
On Stairs	111	1.03%	Gunshot	2	0.02%
Crash of Water Vehicle	1	0.01%	Repetitive Motion	402	3.72%
Motor Vehicle/Collision	251	2.32%	Rubbed/Abraded Noc	11	0.10%
Fixed Object/Collision	34	0.31%	Cumulative (All Other)	164	1.52%
Vehicle Upset	75	0.69%	Other Miscellaneous NOC	522	4.83%
Motor Vehicle NOC	277	2.56%	<b>Total</b>	<b>10,815</b>	<b>100%</b>
Continual Noise	10	0.09%			
Twisting	276	2.55%			
Jumping	27	0.25%			
Holding or Carrying	76	0.70%			
Lifting	1,316	12.17%			

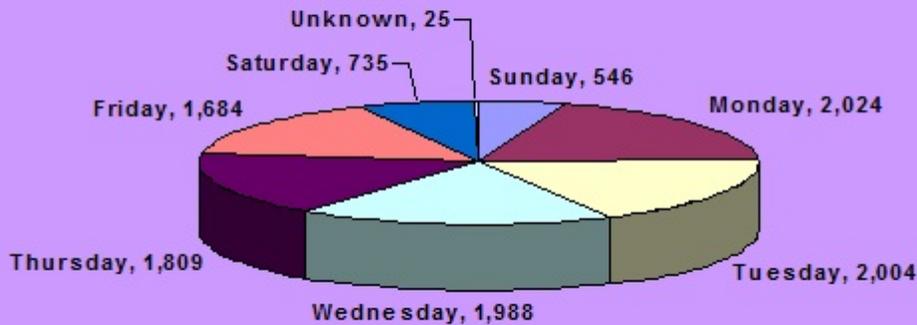
**2015 TOP 7 HIGHEST OCCURRENCES OF INJURIES BY CAUSE**



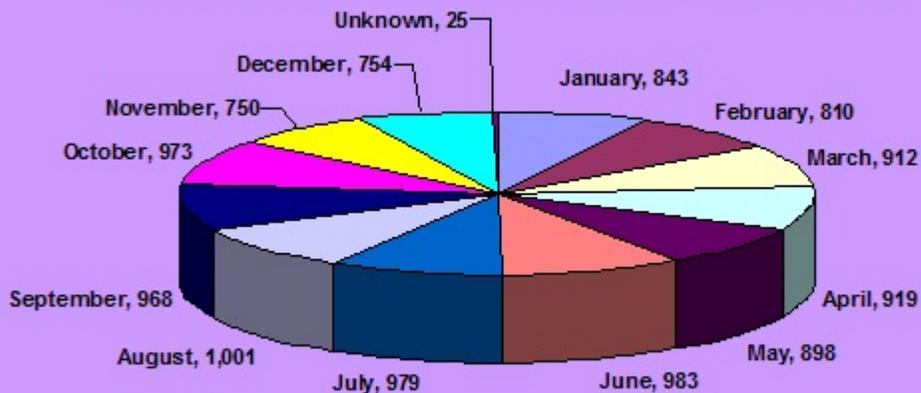
## NUMBER OF INJURIES/ILLNESSES BY MONTH AND DAY 2015

<u>Month</u>	<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Percent</u>
January	843	7.79%	Sunday	546	5.05%
February	810	7.49%	Monday	2,024	18.71%
March	912	8.43%	Tuesday	2,004	18.53%
April	919	8.50%	Wednesday	1,988	18.38%
May	898	8.30%	Thursday	1,809	16.73%
June	983	9.09%	Friday	1,684	15.57%
July	979	9.05%	Saturday	735	6.80%
August	1,001	9.26%	Unknown	25	0.23%
September	968	8.95%	<b>Total</b>	<b>10,815</b>	<b>100%</b>
October	973	9.00%			
November	750	6.93%			
December	754	6.97%			
Unknown	25	.23%			
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,815</b>	<b>100%</b>			

### 2015 NUMBER OF INJUIRES/ILLNESSES LISTED BY DAY



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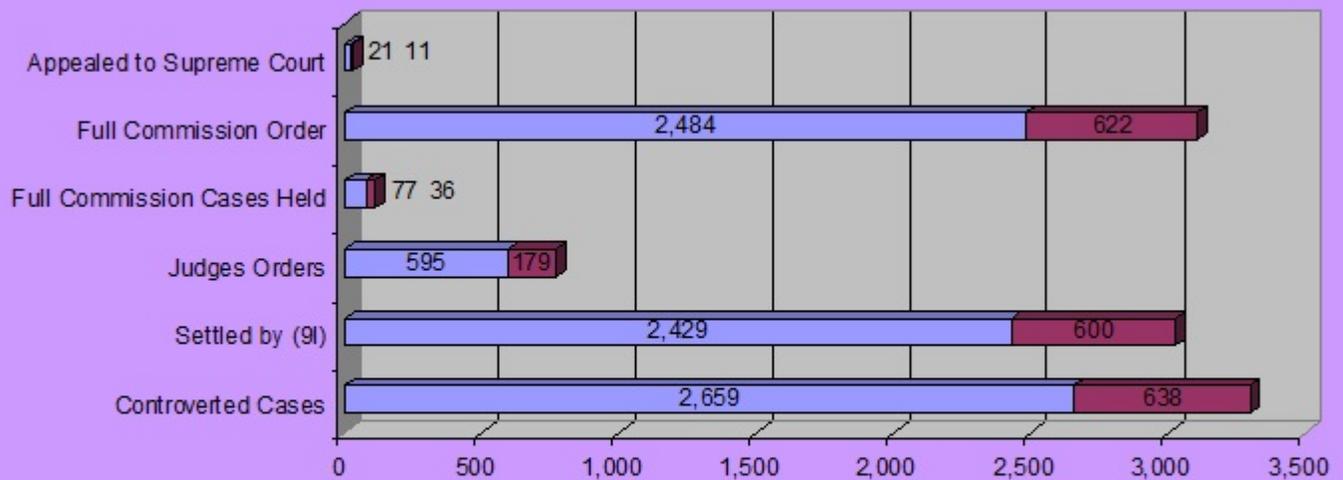
## Number of Injuries/Illnesses by County 2015

Description	Frequency	Percent	Description	Frequency	Percent
Adams	114	1.05%	Madison	596	5.51%
Alcorn	107	0.99%	Marion	75	0.69%
Amite	16	0.15%	Marshall	73	0.67%
Attala	64	0.59%	Monroe	91	0.84%
Benton	5	0.05%	Montgomery	29	0.27%
Bolivar	102	0.94%	Neshoba	110	1.02%
Calhoun	28	0.26%	Newton	51	0.47%
Carroll	15	0.14%	Noxubee	27	0.25%
Chickasaw	110	1.02%	Oktibbeha	134	1.24%
Choctaw	21	0.19%	Panola	130	1.20%
Claiborne	15	0.14%	Pearl River	96	0.89%
Clarke	17	0.16%	Perry	22	0.20%
Clay	47	0.43%	Pike	146	1.35%
Coahoma	68	0.63%	Pontotoc	135	1.25%
Copiah	113	1.04%	Prentiss	37	0.34%
Covington	76	0.70%	Quitman	15	0.14%
De Soto	531	4.91%	Rankin	516	4.77%
Forrest	409	3.78%	Scott	134	1.24%
Franklin	23	0.21%	Sharkey	6	0.06%
George	41	0.38%	Simpson	63	0.58%
Greene	20	0.18%	Smith	35	0.32%
Grenada	96	0.89%	Stone	32	0.30%
Hancock	86	0.80%	Sunflower	137	1.27%
Harrison	724	6.69%	Tallahatchie	33	0.31%
Hinds	1261	11.66%	Tate	47	0.43%
Holmes	45	0.42%	Tippah	70	0.65%
Humphreys	33	0.31%	Tishomingo	50	0.46%
Itawamba	87	0.80%	Tunica	59	0.55%
Jackson	273	2.52%	Union	200	1.85%
Jasper	38	0.35%	Walthall	26	0.24%
Jefferson	20	0.18%	Warren	172	1.59%
Jefferson Davis	17	0.16%	Washington	173	1.60%
Jones	396	3.66%	Wayne	28	0.26%
Kemper	19	0.18%	Webster	24	0.22%
Lafayette	135	1.25%	Wilkinson	24	0.22%
Lamar	55	0.51%	Winston	44	0.41%
Lauderdale	253	2.34%	Yalobusha	35	0.32%
Lawrence	32	0.30%	Yazoo	66	0.61%
Leake	61	0.56%	Out of State	505	4.67%
Lee	510	4.72%	<b>Total</b>	<b>10815</b>	<b>100%</b>
Leflore	156	1.44%			
Lincoln	125	1.16%			
Lowndes	205	1.90%			

*Hinds* county has the highest number of occurrences with 1,261 claims. Followed by *Harrison* county with 724 claims and *Madison* county with 596.

## NUMBER OF CONTROVERTED CASES ASSOCIATED WITH SELF-INSURED 2015

**2015 CONTROVERTED CASES: Statistics Associated with Self-Insured Employers**



	Controverted Cases	Settled by (9I)	Judges Orders	Full Commission Cases Held	Full Commission Order	Appealed to Supreme Court
■ Handled by SI	638	600	179	36	622	11
□ Total	2,659	2,429	595	77	2,484	21