

Toolbox Talks

Unsafe Acts: Don't Do this at Home, Work, or Anywhere Else

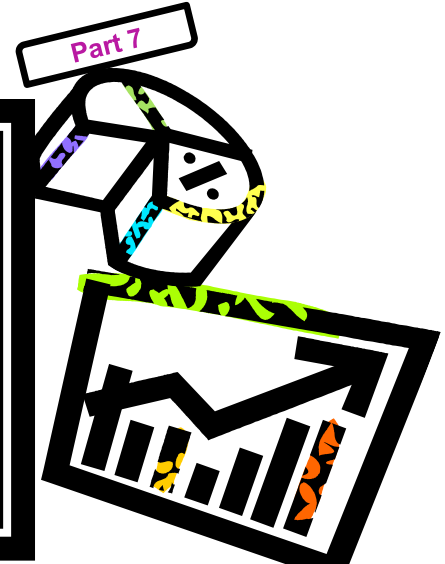
Part 7



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Safety Statistics

In a recently published report on Injuriesboard.ie they found that:

- **November** is the month of the year when most workplace accidents occur in Ireland.
- **Thursdays** are the most dangerous day of the week based on workplace injury claims.
- **Sundays**, when fewer people are working in general, & **April** are the safest time for employees to work.
- **Men** are twice as likely as women to get compensation for a workplace accident.
- **Leading causes** of incidents:
 - Slips, trips, & falls
 - Defective equipment
 - Poor lifting & handling of goods

Like every other statistic out there, these are a summation of a lot of specific injuries & workplace accidents. Yes, they are very true, but to utilize them in prevention seems a little silly. No matter what the statistics may say, **the bottom line is that it is YOU & ME who have the ability to ensure that we get home the same way we came to work today.** Through our actions, behavior, & awareness we can increase the odds in our favor. Choosing the right tool for the job, focusing on the task at hand, knowing the correct procedure, getting assistance when needed . . . they are all things we can do to increase our odds & not become next year's statistic.

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