By the Numbers: Key Statistics for Warehouses



There are over 10,000 warehouses in the United States and Canada, employing over 200,000 workers, and countless ways to be injured or killed.

The **FIVE** most accident-prone areas and activities in a warehouse are:

1. Loading docks
2. Forklift operations
3. Conveyors
4. Materials handling
5. Manual lifting and handling

Top **THREE** warehouse injuries?

1. Slips and falls
2. Injuries from lifting, pushing, pulling, and reaching
3. Material handling / forklift accidents

As many as **20,000** workers are injured in forklift accidents alone each year and 25% of those accidents happen when a forklift overturns.

When it comes to pallet jack failure, the seven top causes are: damage from the forklift, racks overloaded, racks with altered configurations, a change in operation (such as rearrangement), not using the equipment correctly, buying a smaller rack capacity to save money, and faulty equipment.

$38,000 direct cost and **$150,000** indirect costs – according to the National Safety Council – that’s how much a worker injury can cost a company.