

Slips, Trips and Falls at the same level



A whopping **\$21.8M** in total direct costs

3 major causes



Floor & ground contaminants

- Liquid (wet, oily, etc.)
- Semi-solid (grease, mud, slush, snow, food)
- Solid / dry product (ice, flour, sawdust, cardboard, paper)



Floor & ground conditions/design

- Uneven / sloped surface
- Surface changes in height or in friction
- Poorly maintained (poor cleaning method, disrepair)
- Flooring is not slip-resistant



Unsafe acts (behaviour)

- Distraction (multi-tasking, cellphone use)
- Rushing
- Not holding handrails
- Lacking winter footwear/cleats
- Ignoring hazards (clutter, spills)

IN 2018, **1,387** WORKERS

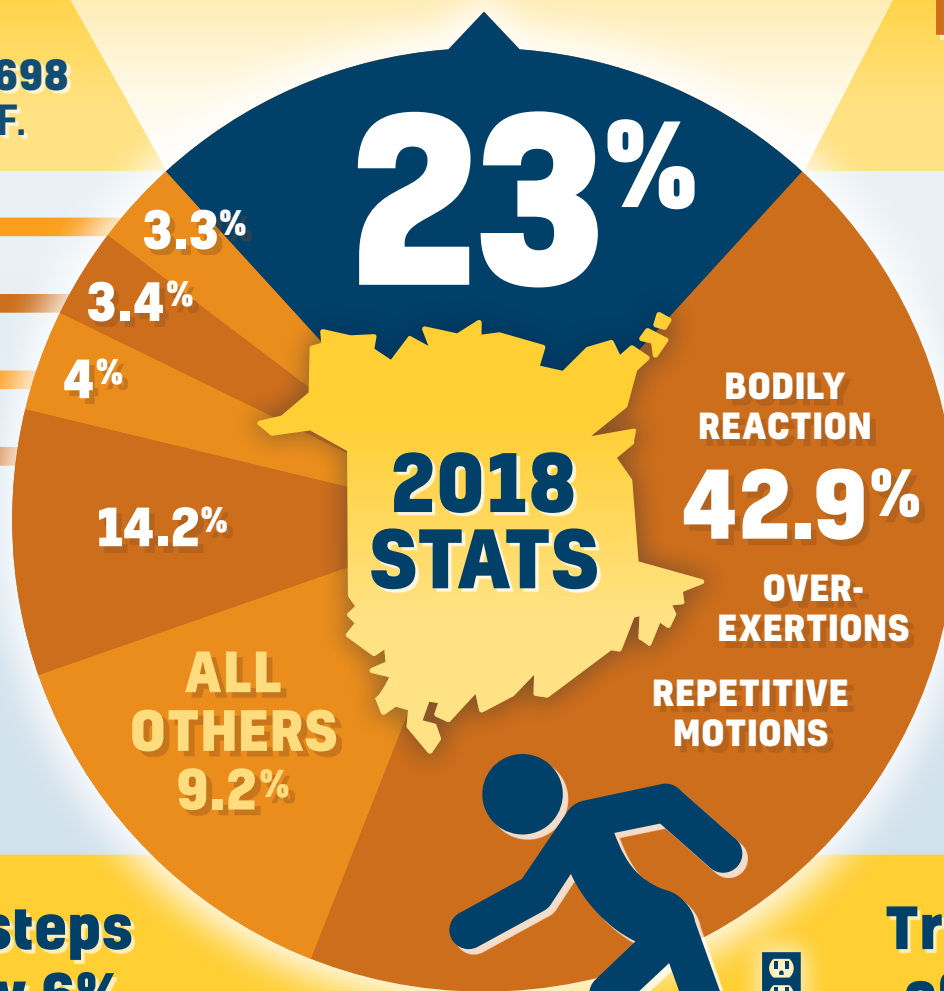


missed an alarming **105,698** WORKDAYS due to an STF.

SLIPS, TRIPS and FALLS (STF) at the same level account for **23%** of NB worker injuries.

AVERAGE STF: **\$15,762** IN DIRECT COSTS resulting from a total of **76** WORKDAYS MISSED.

Falls from heights
Violence
Caught in
Struck by/against



Nature of injuries

- 65%** Musculoskeletal injuries (traumatic)
- 18%** Fractures and dislocations
- 14%** Bruises, cuts and abrasions
- 2%** Concussions
- 1%** Other injuries



STF on stairs & steps represent nearly **6%**

Trips make up **14%** of all STF injuries

DID YOU KNOW?

Slips rarely happen on clean, dry and even floors.

Winter conditions are a major factor in 1/3 of all STF injuries.

A 2010-2013 study demonstrated that wearing cleats in icy conditions reduced slips, trips and falls by 94%.



Falls are the #1 reason people go to the emergency room.

Slips are common in parking lots during the winter months!

WorkSafeNB stats show a strong correlation between STF injuries and days with heavy rain or snow!

PROFESSIONS AT RISK



Health care personnel



School personnel



Truck/delivery driver



Chef, cook or waiter



Custodian

