

Killed at work, 1997-2001

TUC/CCA says there is no safe place to work in Britain. They add that HSE claims up to 40 per cent of all work deaths "are the result of serious management failures." Figures given are for workers and members of the public killed in officially reported and recorded work-related incidents in the five years from 1 January 1997 to 31 December 2001.

More deaths in LA

Figures on the map are for the HSE-enforced sector only. In the same period, 1997 to 2001, a further 131 deaths were reported in the Local Authority-enforced sector, with 60 employees, 3 self-employed and 68 members of the public killed.

Total deaths reported to both HSE and Local Authority enforcement agencies, 1997 to 2001: 2,417.



Victims don't all count at work

Not all workplace deaths make it to the official records. Last year:

291 people died in *officially* recorded workplace incidents.

151 members of the public died in *officially* recorded workplace incidents.

A further 32 people died on board British ships or at sea in British waters.

Up to 1,000 die each year in work-related road traffic accidents.

At least 5,000 and possibly more than 6,000 die every year of asbestos related lung cancer and meso-thelioma – and numbers are increasing.

Living proof

27,935 workers suffered reported serious injuries last year. Under-reporting means the real figure is likely to be at least double. Figures do not include work-related injuries at sea or on the road.

25,000 leave the labour market each year because of work-related injury or illness.

Deaths/injury figures are for Britain, April 2000 – March 2001, the most recent year for which figures are available.