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BECAUSE WORK SHOULDN'T BE A DEATH SENTENCE

Approximate number of major injuries reported to HSE annually: **30,000**
Approximate percentage of these major injuries investigated: **15**

Chances of a worker suffering an injury reported to HSE each year: **1 in 178**
Chances an employer will be prosecuted after injuring a worker: **1 in 150**

HSE estimate of new cases of work-related ill-health in 2005/06: **523,000**
Approximate number of cases assessed for industrial injuries benefit: **7,000**

Approximate chance of a fatal or major work injury 2001/02: **1 in 900**
Approximate chance of a fatal or major work injury 2005/06: **1 in 900**

Average number of years between HSE inspections 2001/02: **7**
Average number of years between HSE inspections 2005/06: **13**

Workplace deaths in Great Britain per million workers 2001/02: **9**
Workplace deaths in Great Britain per million workers 2005/06: **7**

Number of HSE field operations division inspections in 2002/03: **74,112**
Number of HSE field operations division inspections in 2005/06: **46,032**

Total number of HSE enforcement notices issued 2001/02: **11,082**
Total number of HSE enforcement notices issued 2005/06: **6,383**

Number of health and safety convictions obtained by HSE 2001/02: **1,522**
Number of health and safety convictions obtained by HSE 2005/06: **741**

Number of health and safety offences prosecuted by HSE 2001/02: **1,986**
Number of health and safety offences prosecuted by HSE 2005/06: **1,012**

Number of doctors employed in the HSE medical unit early 1990s: **60**
Number of doctors employed in the HSE medical unit early 2007: **7**

Number of nurses employed in the HSE medical unit early 1990s: **60**
Number of nurses employed in the HSE medical unit early 2007: **25**

HSE budget shortfall leading to 250-350 HSE job cuts in 2006/08: **£5.6m**
Cost to the Treasury of financing HSE job losses 2006/08: **£12.5m-£17.5m**

HSE "best available estimate" of work cancer deaths per year: **3,000-12,000**
Hazard's estimate of number of work cancer deaths per year: **12,000-24,000**

Number of deaths from the asbestos cancer mesothelioma in 1968: **153**
Number of deaths from the asbestos cancer mesothelioma in 2004: **1,969**

HSE whole workforce figure for obstructive airways disease (COAD): **183,000**
Number of miners alone who received COAD compensation since 1998: **403,000**

HSE Labour Force Survey (LFS) estimate of vibration white finger (VWF) cases: **0**
Number of miners alone who received VWF compensation since 1998: **137,000**

Possible sick days DTI says saved per year by union safety reps: **616,000**
DTI estimate of annual saving to society as a result of this safety rep effect: **£578m**

Average fine per HSE health and safety conviction in 2005/06: **£29,997**
Average fine per HSE safety conviction excepting 13 fines above £100,000: **£6,219**

RSPCA-secured prison or suspended sentences in 2005 for animal cruelty: **31**
Prison or suspended sentences ever for bosses guilty in worker death cases: **19**

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