PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SERVICES

INDUSTRY SNAPSHOT 2018

THE WORKFORCE

This industry covers a wide range of activities, separated into nine groups:

- Architectural, Engineering and Technical Services
- Management and Related Consulting Services
- Market Research and Statistical Services
- Computer System Design and Related Services
- Scientific Research Services
- Advertising Services
- Other Professional, Scientific and Technical Services
- Legal and Accounting Services
- Veterinary Services

5% of the total Tasmanian workforce

Legal and Accounting Services is the largest employing group

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THE INJURIES

122 injuries across the industry in 2018

33% of injuries over the last ten years resulted in at least one week off work

2.7 serious injuries per million hours worked

37% lower serious injury frequency rate in 2018 than ten years ago

69% lower than the state average of 8.7

THE PEOPLE

55+ year olds reported the highest serious injury frequency rate

Miscellaneous Labourers: 14%
Animal Attendants and Trainers: 7%
General Clerks: 5%

Management and Related Consulting Services reported the highest serious injury frequency rate and the highest number of injuries

THE CAUSES

The most common causes of injury across the industry:

- Body stressing
- Falls, slips and trips
- Being hit by moving objects
- Hitting objects with a part of the body

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- Musculoskeletal disorders
- Hazardous manual tasks
- Mental health conditions
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ACTION AREAS

Priority conditions and causes identified in the WorkSafe Strategic Plan 2018-2023 relevant to the industry:

- Musculoskeletal disorders
- Hazardous manual tasks
- Mental health conditions
- Slips, trips and falls

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