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**STOP<sup>the</sup> DROPS**

**KEY WORK HEALTH  
& SAFETY STATISTICS  
2018**

Latest WHS statistics  
released by Safe  
Work Australia

**Stop the Drops**

Innovative solutions for safer  
work environments.

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## KEY WHS STATS 2018

Safe Work Australia has released the latest WHS statistical findings on work-related injury, fatalities & disease for 2018.

Agriculture, forestry & fishing is the most dangerous Australian industry to work in, topping the charts in both incident & fatality rates, whilst also responsible for 27% of the total fatalities recorded for 2017.

Machinery operators across all industries were the most likely to suffer a fatal injury at work, whilst labourers had overwhelmingly high numbers of serious injury claims & rates.

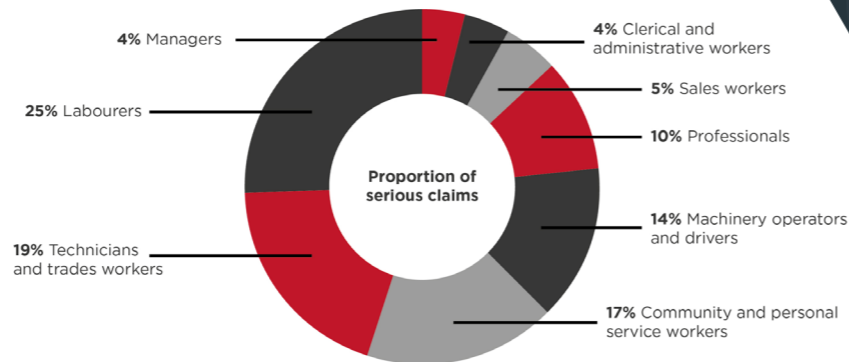
Work related injury fatalities increased in the last year:  
**A total of 191 injury fatalities in 2017**

Serious claims have decreased in the last year:  
**A total of 106,260 serious claims in 2016-17**

Hit by falling objects still a leading cause of fatalities:  
**15 fatalities & 16,565 serious claims**

## IN THE LINE OF FIRE

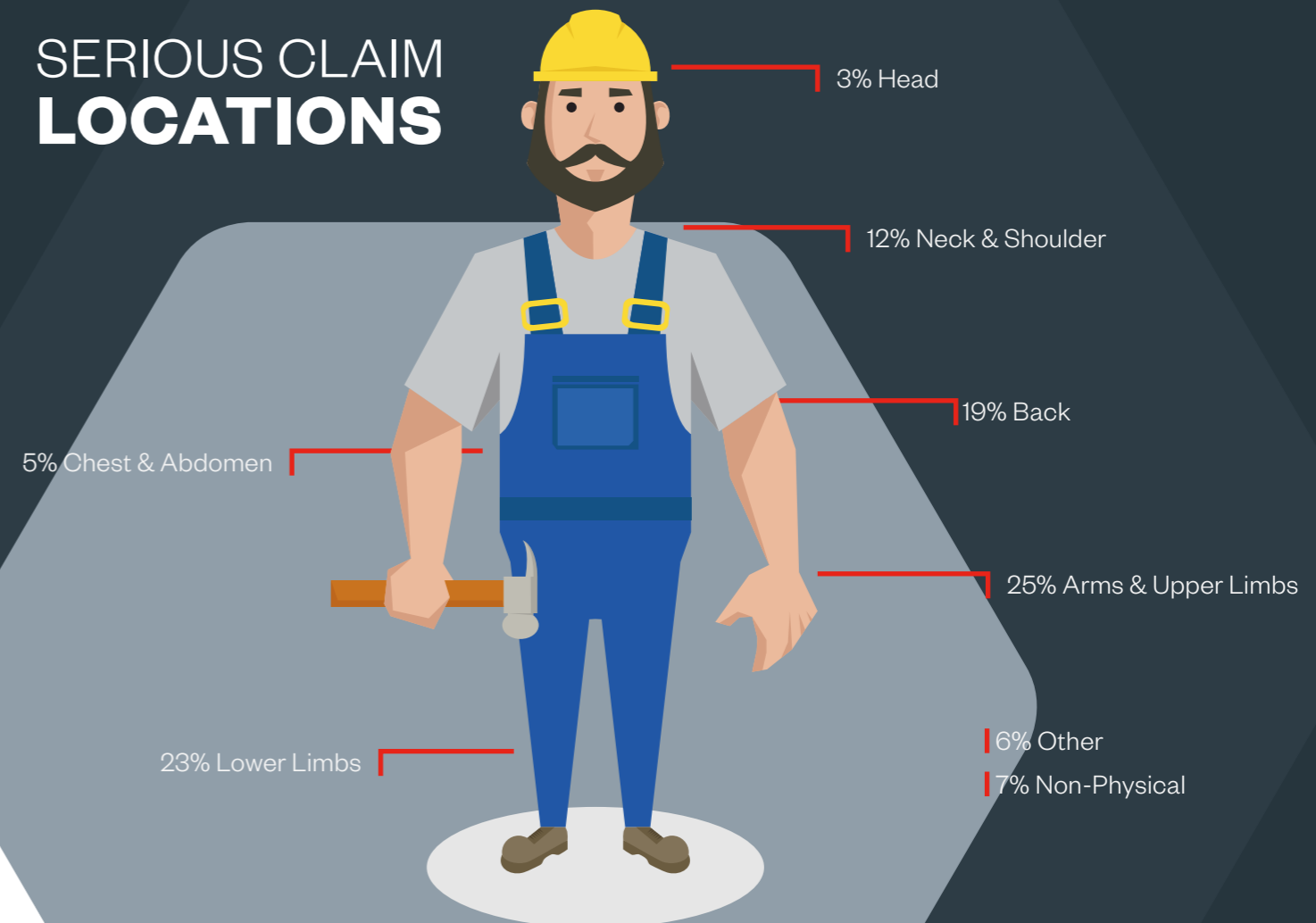
When it comes to the numbers, labourers registered the highest numbers of fatalities (56) & serious claims (26,330). When looking at serious claims, this equates to 16.5 serious claims per 1,000,000 hours worked, or 25% of the overall number of serious claims made.



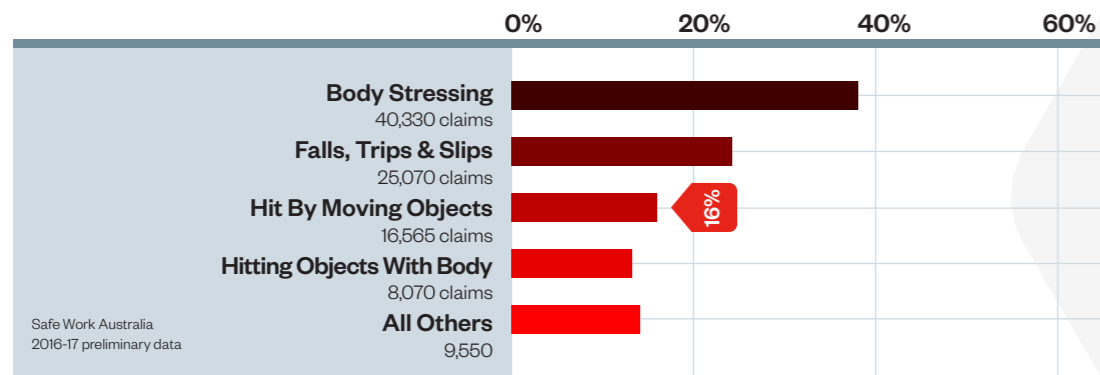
## IN 2017 FALLING OBJECTS KILLED 15 WORKERS

- Overall, fatalities recorded their highest numbers in NSW (62), followed by the QLD (45), however the **NT held the highest rate of fatalities with 5.8 per 100,000 workers.**
- Of the 106,260 serious claims, the majority were located in the arms/upper limbs & lower limbs. The head was lowest at only 3% of recorded serious claim, reinforcing the fact that **hard hats are not adequate protection against objects dropped at height.**

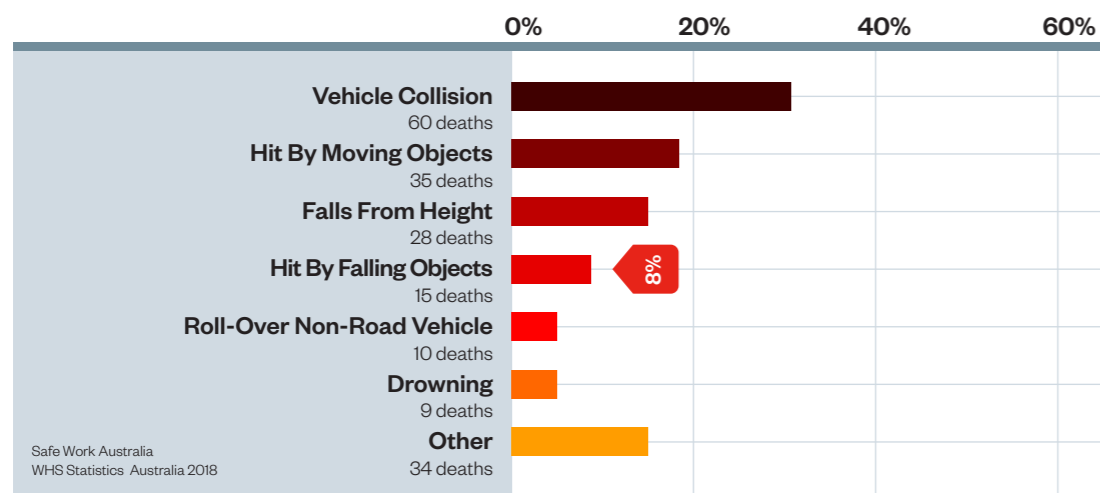
## SERIOUS CLAIM LOCATIONS



## SERIOUS CLAIMS BY MECHANISM OF INCIDENT



## FATALITIES BY MECHANISM OF FATAL INJURY



## ABOUT STOP THE DROPS

Founded in 1993 with a national focus in Australia, Stop the Drops partnered with a broad range of industry sectors in their quest to ensure their workforce returned home safely after each shift.

This close alliance with industry highlighted the benefit of refining and clarifying our focus to ensure we delivered tangible benefits to our clients by providing meaningful safety solutions. This refinement has resulted in us evolving into the world leading Tool Tethering company we are today.

Our safety initiatives are in use across the construction, oil and gas, utilities and mining sectors not only within Australia but also supporting projects across North America, the Asia Pacific, The Middle East, Europe and the UK.

For more information, or to talk about your dropped-object prevention strategy, contact us today.

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