

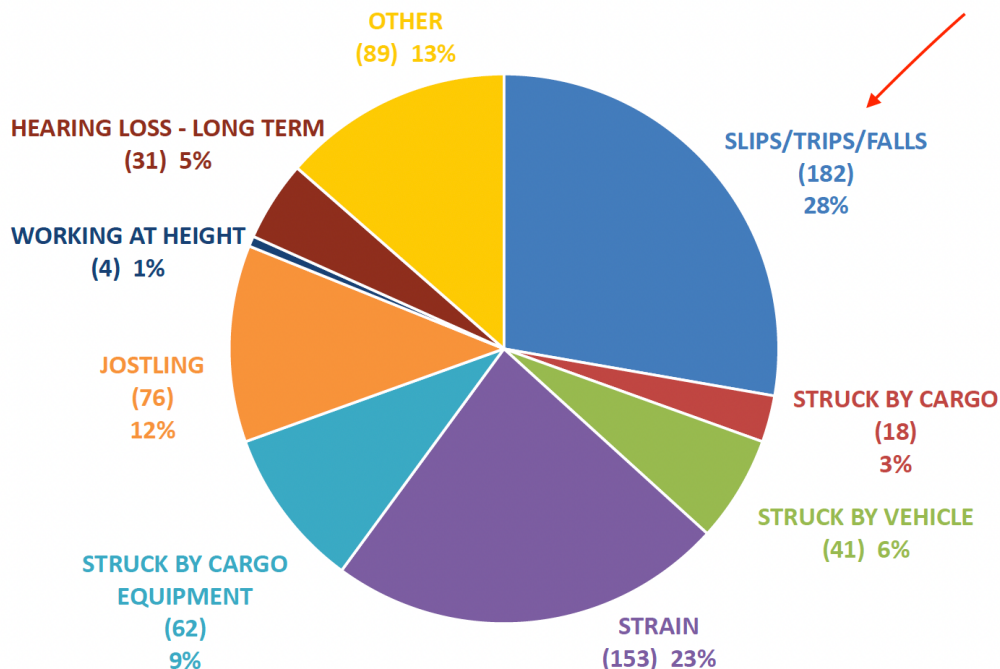


# ILA-USMX JOINT SAFETY COMMITTEE

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## Slips, Trips & Falls

LOST TIME INCIDENT RATE FROM ALL USMX PORTS BY TYPE  
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2020 (656 INJURIES TOTAL)



Historically (within the space of many decades), the leading causes of lost time injuries within the marine cargo handling industry have been categorized under the broad heading of **slips, trips & falls**.

As the chart above shows, 28% of all lost time injuries experienced at ILA~USMX ports during calendar year 2020 fell into (please pardon the unintentional pun) that category. And while that number is marginally improving (28% in CY 2019; 28.5 in CY 2018; 30% in CY 2017; 30% in CY 2016) the ILA~USMX Joint Safety Committee believes that a more substantial decrease is possible.

With that in mind, we're asking that all managers and workers take a greater awareness of the potential workplace hazards that give rise to slip, trip and fall injuries. Take the time to scan, focus and correct..... Our workers could stand a little less pain.

Got an OSH-related question? Write to the JSC at: [blueoceana@optonline.net](mailto:blueoceana@optonline.net)

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