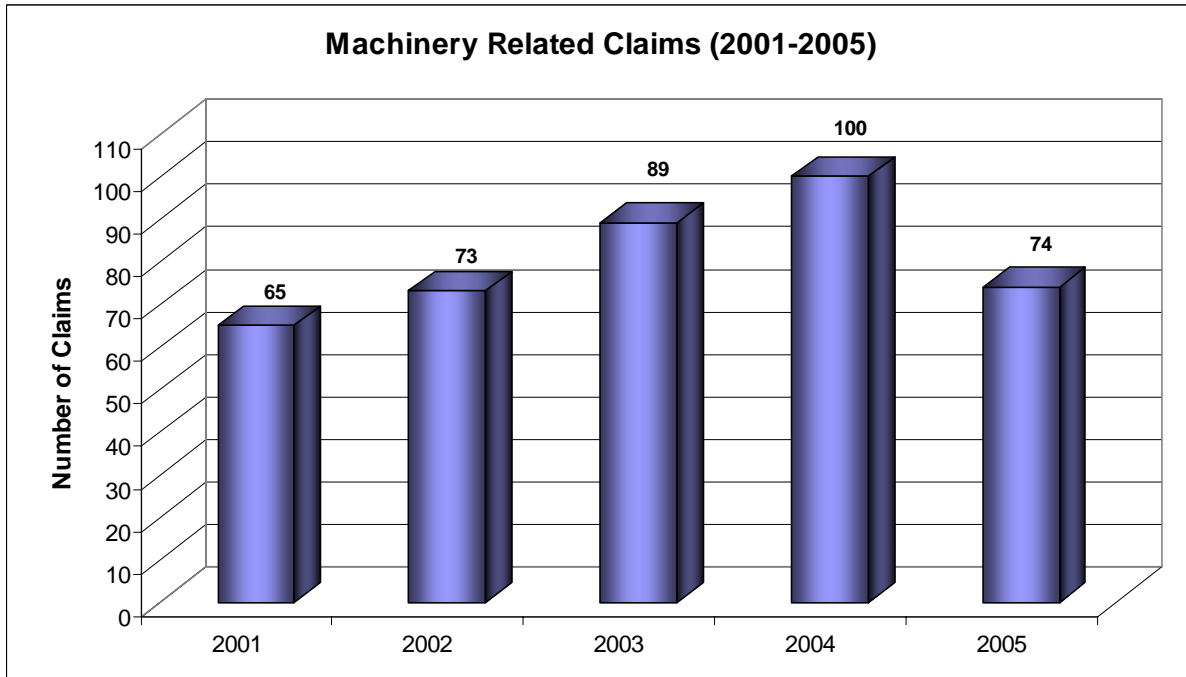
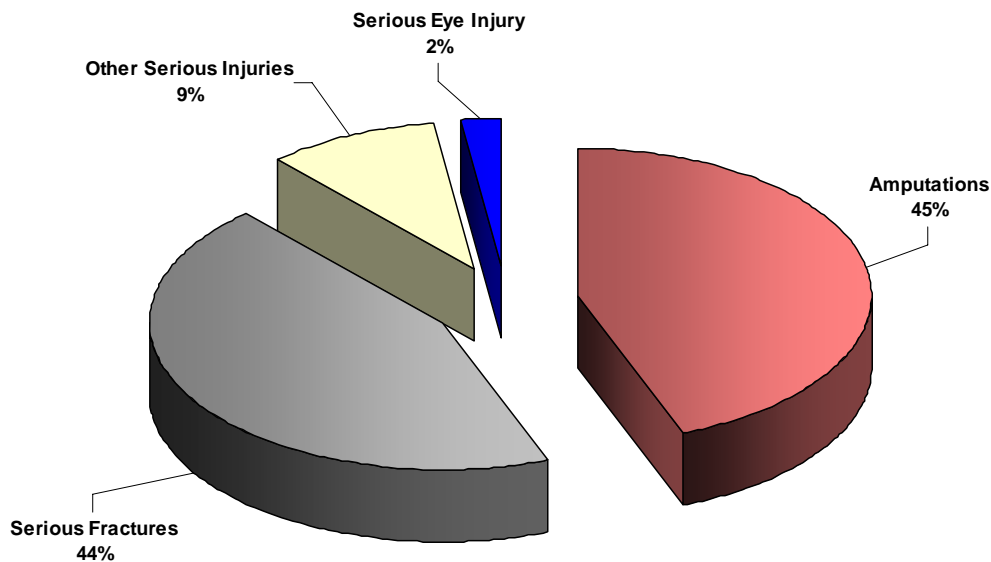


Agriculture*: Machinery Related Claims^ (2001 – 2005)

Between 2001 and 2005, there were 3,800 claims accepted in Agriculture for short term disability (STD), long term disability (LTD), or fatal benefits in British Columbia. Approximately 11% of these claims involved Machinery as the source of injury (our selection criteria includes all claims with a Source of Injury of 'Machinery' or 'Plant & Industrial Powered Vehicles').



On average, there have been about 80 Machinery related claims a year in Agriculture, with a total for the five year period of 401 claims. Approximately 11% of Machinery Related Claims are ICD9 Serious Injuries¹. The majority of these ICD9 Serious Injuries¹ are Amputations and Serious Fractures.



¹ The number of short term disability (STD) and long term disability (LTD) claims with an ICD9 medical diagnosis code that indicates a serious injury. Please refer to the last page for a more detailed definition.

* Agriculture refers to Subsector 7010

^ Machinery: STD/LTD/FTL Claims with Source of Injury Codes of 3 (Level 1) or 85 (Level 2)

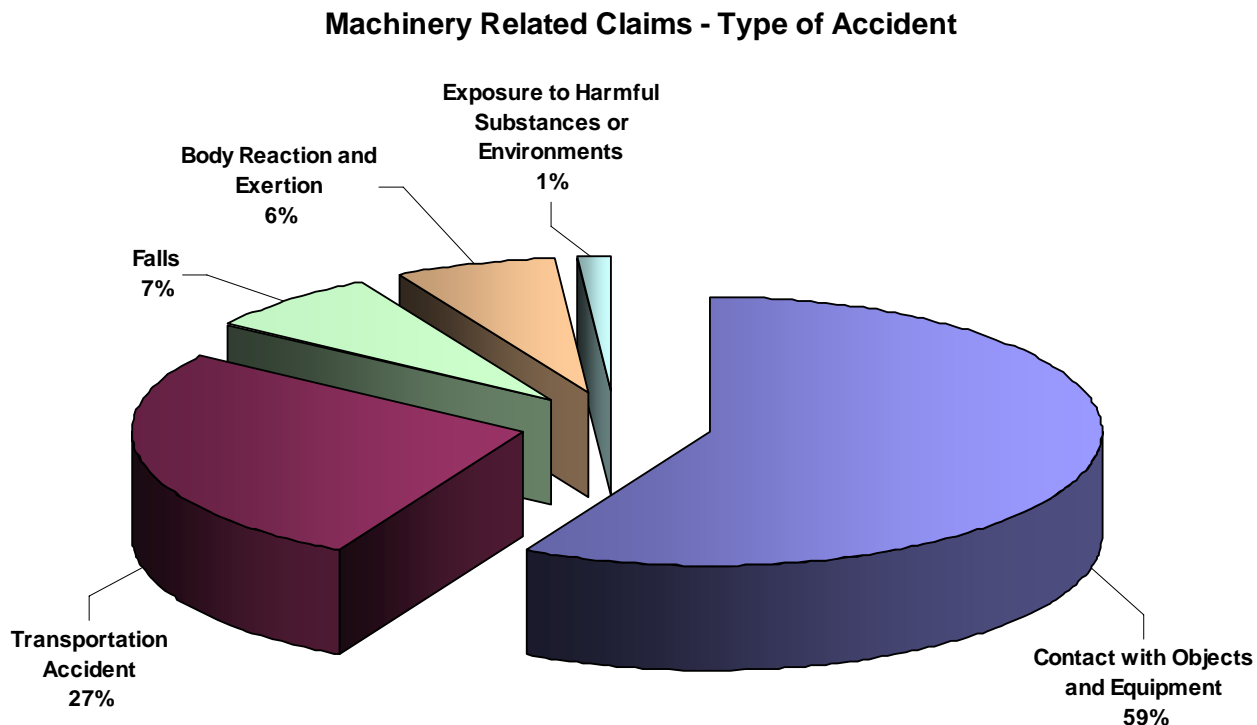
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Type of Accident

The 401 Machinery related claims in Agriculture are broken down into the type of accident in the chart below. Contact with objects and equipment accounted for the majority of the claims. Transportation accidents were the second most common type of accident.



Accidents involving Contact with Objects and Equipment:

- More than half of the accidents are described as being caught in or compressed by equipment or objects. Being struck by or against an object also accounted for a significant number of claims.
- Powered conveyors are the most common source of injury. Specifically the belt on conveyors accounted for the most injuries. Other agricultural and garden machinery and tractors were also common sources of injury.
- Open wounds were the most common type of injury, followed by traumatic injuries to bones, nerves and spinal cord.

Transportation Accidents:

- Transportation accidents were the second most common type of accident for Machinery related claims in Agriculture.
- The three most common sources of injury for transportation accidents were tractors, industrial powered vehicles and forklifts.
- The most common type of injury was traumatic injuries to muscles, tendons, ligaments, joints etc. Another common injury was surface wounds and bruises.

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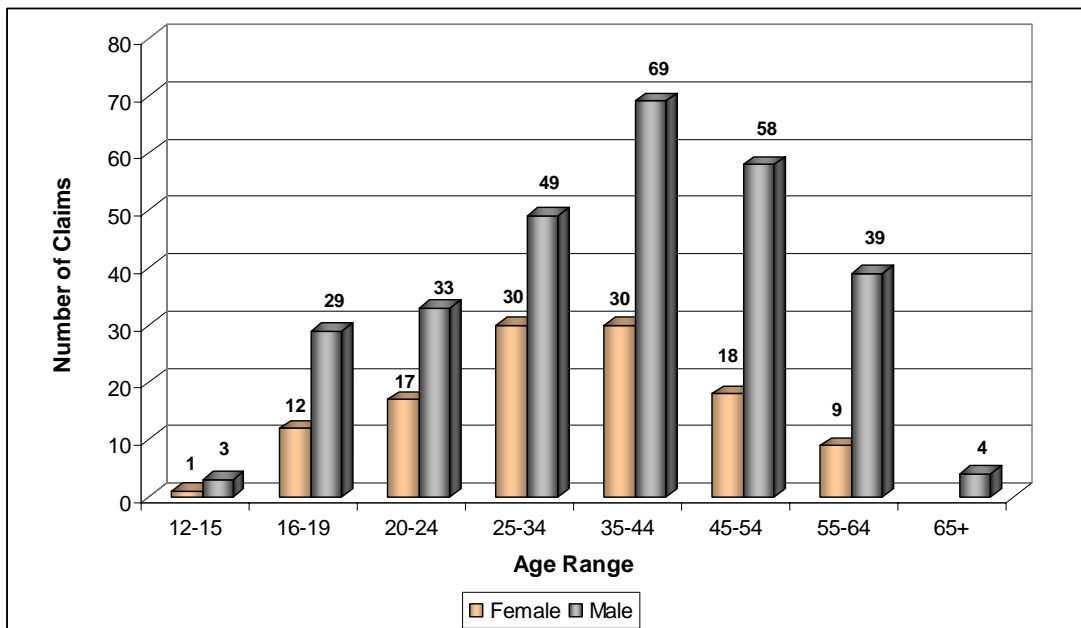
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Age and Gender

Approximately 71% of Machinery related claims involved men and 29% involved women. Young workers, workers between the ages of 15 and 24, accounted for 23% of claims. As illustrated in the chart below, workers between the ages of 35 and 44 had the largest concentration of claims, accounting for about a quarter of all Machinery related claims.



Accepted Fatalities

Between 2001 and 2005, there were 20 claims accepted for fatal benefits in Agriculture. The table below lists the 13 fatal claims that reference some type of Machinery in the Incident Description.

Year Accepted	Occupation	Age at date of injury	Incident Description
2001	Fruit Grower	70	Worker fell from pickup truck.
2001	Rancher	33	ATV accident. Worker sustained fatal head injuries.
2002	Farm Owner	63	Worker caught between canopy and operating control panel of an excavator.
2002	Farm Hand	38	Worker was driving a tractor which rolled.
2002	Machine Operator	44	Worker was operating a CAT. Got out and walked in front of the CAT and was run over by it.
2002	Farm Worker	28	Worker was pulled into rototiller blades.
2002	Farm Worker	55	Worker was found pinned under an overturned tractor in a flooded cranberry field.
2003	Farmer	39	Worker pulled under spinning rear wheels of tractor after exiting vehicle.
2003	Farm Worker	21	Worker was crushed inside the feed mixing wagon while mixing feed for the cattle.
2003	Dairy Worker	25	Hay bale fell from loader bucket and struck worker.
2003	Mechanic	50	While repairing hydraulics, the bobcat's elevated bucket dropped, crushing the worker.
2003	Logging Contractor	52	Driving a skidder, which overturned when it drove over a log. Worker was thrown from the skidder.
2005	Chicken Catcher	18	Worker fell and was run over by a forklift.

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Definitions:

Claims (STD/LTD/FTL Claims): A claim is counted as a short term disability (STD), long term disability (LTD), or fatality if the claim had the first short term disability (STD) benefit, long term disability (LTD) benefit, or survivor benefit (fatal reserve set or cash award) made in the year, regardless of the year of injury.

Source of Injury: Source of Injury is a classification of the object, substance, exposure, or bodily motion that directly produced, transmitted, or inflicted the injury or illness.

Accident Type: Accident Type is a classification of an accident or exposure that describes the manner in which the injury or disease was produced or inflicted.

ICD9 Serious Injury Claims: The number of short term disability (STD) and long term disability (LTD) claims coded with an ICD9 medical diagnosis that indicates serious injury. Serious injury claims include major fractures (e.g., skull, spine, pelvis, multiple fractures, etc.), amputations, 3rd degree burns, serious eye injuries, and other serious spinal, head or crushing injuries that are based on 165 medical diagnosis type ICD9 codes. The ICD9 medical diagnosis approach serves as a reasonable indicator to capture those claims that constitute serious injuries and it is not intended be an inclusive measure of all such claims.

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