

LaRC SAFETY HIGHLIGHTS

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FY 2004 - Civil Servants



() = Number of new occurrences

OSHA Recordable Cases = Fatalities, Lost Time, Incidents, and Restricted Work Incidents.
Incidents = Cases in which more than first aid treatment is required, but less than 8 hours of time is lost.
Restricted Work Incidents = Cases requiring first aid treatment, resulting in light duty restrictions.

Injury/Mishap Information

- The Center has been **45** days **without** a Civil Servant or Contractor **Lost Time Injury. (Record 433 days)**
- **OSHA Recordable Incident** - An AirSC employee sustained a laceration to the left forearm from a metal burr on an old metal desk. OSHA Recordable because a tetanus shot was administered.
- **The following first aid cases involving civil servants were reported:**
 - A RFMO employee sustained a laceration to the left finger while closing a multi-function tool, similar to a Swiss army knife.
 - A PDMO employee sustained a contusion to the upper lip after stumbling on a black tar seam and falling to the ground.
 - A SMC employee sustained a left leg contusion after tripping on a raised door threshold and falling to the floor.
 - An AAAC employee sustained a small avulsion after pinching the right finger in the latch of a steel storage room door.



Six Common Accident Causes - Unsafe behaviors cause four times as many accidents and injuries as unsafe environmental conditions. People tend to look for "things" to blame when an accident happens, because it's easier than looking for "root causes." Consider the underlying accident causes described below. Have you been guilty of any of these attitudes or behaviors? If so, you may not have been injured - but next time you may not be so lucky.



- Taking shortcuts.
- Being overly confident.
- Starting a task with incomplete instructions.
- Maintaining poor housekeeping.
- Ignoring safety procedures.
- Failing to pre-plan your work.