

WEEKLY INCIDENT SUMMARY

Week ending Friday 24 June 2022


This incident summary provides information on reportable incidents and safety advice for the NSW mining industry. To report an incident to the NSW Resources Regulator: phone 1300 814 609 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

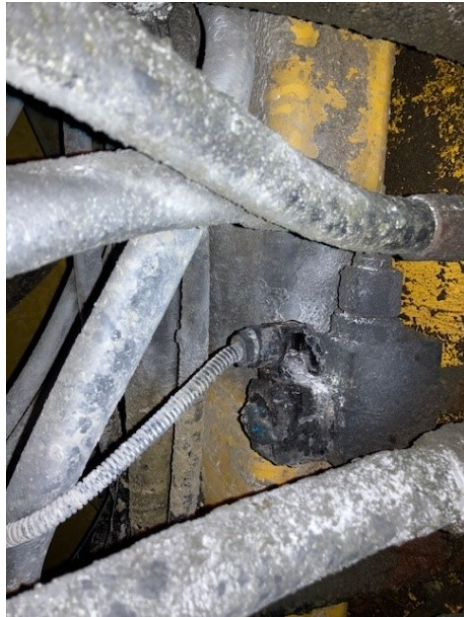
At a glance

High level summary of emerging trends and our recommendations to operators.

TYPE	NUMBER
Reportable incident total	20
Summarised incident total	3

Summarised incidents

INCIDENT TYPE	SUMMARY	COMMENTS TO INDUSTRY
Dangerous incident IncNot0042420 Underground metals mine Fire or explosion 	A shotcrete crew was setting up underground when a glow was noticed under the shotcrete unit. On inspection, small flames were seen. The flames were extinguished with a hand-held extinguisher. The incident appears to have been caused by high resistance at a corroded DIN connector on the solenoid coil.	Mine operators must develop and adhere to inspection and maintenance standards to ensure plant is fit for purpose. Electrical components should be inspected, tested, and maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.



Dangerous incident
IncNot0042423
Underground
metals mine
Roads or other
vehicle operating
areas



A worker was driving a loaded haul truck up a decline at the end of night shift. The worker fell asleep and the truck hit the decline wall.



Workers must present to work fit for duty. This involves having suitable sleep before starting a night shift.

Mine operators are reminded of their obligations under the health control plan to ensure control measures have been identified and implemented to ensure workers are fit to carry out work and minimise the risk that workers could be impaired by fatigue.

Dangerous incident
IncNot0042438
Construction
materials
Roads or other
vehicle operating
areas

A worker was blending material using a wheel loader when the loader tipped. The worker articulated the loader with a raise bucket of material to be square to the stockpile and as the front wheels rode up the stockpile, it rolled.

When operating articulated machines workers must remain vigilant to the risk of rolling over. Articulating on grades, raised buckets and attachments and hazards such as holes increase the risk of rolling over.



Resources Regulator publications

- [Safety Bulletin SB22-09 Mobile plant and vehicle fires associated with diesel exhaust treatment](#)

Other publications of interest

The incidents are included for your review. The NSW Resources Regulator does not endorse the findings or recommendations of these incidents. It is your legal duty to exercise due diligence to ensure the business complies with its work health and safety obligations.

PUBLICATION	ISSUE/TOPIC
	International (other, non-fatal)
NZ MinEx	<p>An excavator was tramming along a haul road when the boom of the excavator made contact with an energised 11kVA overhead powerline. The operator noticed an electrical arc above the cab and reversed from the powerline. One phase of the powerline was severed and dropped to the ground in a couple of locations, causing a small grass fire.</p> <p>Details</p>

Note: While the majority of incidents are reported and recorded within a week of the event, some are notified outside this time period. The incidents in this report therefore have not necessarily occurred in a one-week period. All newly recorded incidents, whatever the incident date, are reviewed by the Chief Inspector and senior staff each week. For more comprehensive statistical data refer to our annual performance measures reports.

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