

Occupational accidents 2015

Farmers' risk of accidents has fallen over the past ten years

Risk of accidents at work among own-account workers in agriculture, i.e. farmers, has fallen by six per cent from 2006 to 2015. These data derive from Statistics Finland's occupational accidents statistics, in which two five-year periods were compared with each other. In the 2006 to 2010 period, farmers had 22,174 accidents at work, which is an average of 5,229 accidents per 100,000 farmers per year. In the 2011 to 2015 period, a total of 17,575 accidents at work occurred, which converts to an annual average of 4,895 accidents per 100,000 farmers. The most recent occupational accident statistics contain data on the accidents at work of farmers in 2015.

Accidents at work and fatal accidents at work of own-account workers in agriculture in 2015

	Accidents at work	Resulting in disability of at least 4 days	Accidents at work resulting in disability of at least four days / 100,000 persons	Fatal accidents at work
Own-accounts workers	4 309	3 141	4 754	5

In 2015, the Farmers' Social Insurance Institution paid out compensation to farmers for a total of 4,309 occupational accidents, of which 3,141 led to at least four days' absence from work.

Measured with the accident incidence rate, the susceptibility of farmers to occupational accidents remained nearly on level with the previous year (-2.1%). In 2014, farmers had 4,854 occupational accidents resulting in a disability of at least four days per 100,000 insured farmers.

Data on occupational accidents of wage and salary earners for 2015 are missing, because the processing of the data is still incomplete. Data on occupational accidents of wage and salary earners for 2015 will be published in connection with the annual publication in November 2017.

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