

Annual Incident Statistics 1999

Milton Keynes Council Employees

1 January 1999 – 31 December 1999

Detailed below are the totalled incident statistics from the quarterly reports all relating to Milton Keynes Council employees for the year 1999 – 1 January 1999 to 31 December 1999.

GENERAL INFORMATION

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u> (Estimated)
Approximate number of persons employed	5800	5700
Total number of incidents reported to the Health and Safety Team	723	527
Annual incident rate (incidents per 1000 employees)	125	92
Lost time incidents (Number of incidents resulting in time off work)	100	45
Working days lost (Estimated)	196	208
Total number of incidents reported to the Health and Safety Executive	36	35

INCIDENTS BY DIRECTORATE

DIRECTORATE	TOTAL No INCIDENTS REPORTED	PERCENTAGE
Environment	72	10
Learning and Development	362	50
Resources and Chief Executive's Office	29	4
Neighbourhood Services	260	36
TOTAL	723	100

INCIDENTS BY PREMISE

(In order of number of incidents, greatest first)

	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>%</u>
Schools and Nurseries (Including special needs)	233	32
Day Care Centres	125	17
Saxon Court	63	9
Residential Homes for children	54	7
Outside areas and Non-MKC premises	50	7
Civic Offices	36	5
Leisure Facilities (libraries, pools etc)	32	4
Housing Offices	29	4
St Giles House	28	4
Synergy Park/Bleak Hall	24	3
Other MKC premises	22	3
Residential Homes for the elderly	11	2
Cripps Lodge	10	1
Youth Centres	6	1
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INCIDENT TYPES

(In order of frequency, greatest first)

	TOTAL	PERCENTAGE
Violence and Aggression	308	43
Injured whilst handling, lifting or carrying	106	15
Slip, trip or fall on the same level	93	13
Struck by moving (including flying or falling) object	63	9
Other type of incident	55	7
Struck against something fixed or stationary	48	7
Contact with a sharp or similar object	14	2
Exposure to fire, steam or hot material including hot surfaces	12	2
Injured whilst travelling in a vehicle	9	1
Fall from a height	6	1
Injury caused by an animal (including insect)	5	1
Contact with electricity or an electrical discharge	2	0
Struck by a moving vehicle (on site or on a public road)	1	0
Exposure to or contact with a harmful substance	1	0
Contact with moving machinery	0	0
TOTALS	723	100

INCIDENT CAUSES

	TOTAL	PERCENTAGE
<u>Management deficiencies</u>		
1. Absence of, failure of or inadequate system of work	46	6
2. Absent, defective or unsuitable equipment, guards, or working platform	33	5
3. Unsafe workplace or access	7	1
4. Inadequate management organisation or supervision	20	3
5. Lack of or inadequate training, instruction or information	40	6
<u>Employee deficiencies</u>		
6. Reasonable human failing or human error	147	20
7. Failure to use equipment, including PPE provided by employer, failure to follow safe procedures unauthorised activity or misconduct	11	2
<u>Other Causes</u>		
8. Adverse weather	3	0
9. Defective design of equipment	7	1
10. Unforeseeable event, undetermined or unknown cause	409	57
Management deficiencies =	146	20
Employee deficiencies =	158	22
Other causes =	419	58
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INCIDENTS REPORTED TO THE HSE

During 1999 thirty six incidents were reported to the Health and Safety Executive. These are detailed below:

1. Injured ankle whilst playing badminton with a group of students in a sports lesson. (L&D Education – Schools direct support)
2. JCB driver injured wrist when a car collided with the front bucket of the JCB. (ENV – Highways)
3. Homecarer slipped on wet floor as they went to switch on the kettle. (NS – Other NS Services – Adult Care)
4. Fell from a staircase and struck head on matwell at the bottom of the staircase. (NS)
5. Went to wash up cup and was burnt by the immediate hot water which came from the hot water tap. (L&D – Education Other)
6. Injured back when bending to pick up a towel which had fallen to the floor. (L&D – Childrens Social Services)
7. Injured back when breaking up a fight between two students. (L&D Education – Schools Direct Support)
8. Injured wrist when hand was caught in door frame. (L&D – Childrens Social Services)
9. Laceration and bites to arms after being attacked by a dog. (NS – Other NS Services – Adult Care)
10. Sudden collapse. (L&D – Childrens Social Services)
11. Lacerations to little finger after being trapped in a cutting machine. (ENV – DSO Excluding Leisure)
12. Lacerations to two fingers on left hand whilst examining a blade on a mowing machine. (ENV – DSO Excluding Leisure)
13. Strained back after putting client to bed. (NS – Other NS Services – Adult Care)
14. Puncture wound to right wrist when a rake tine went into it whilst trying to retrieve a shovel. (ENV – Infrastructure)
15. Injured ankle when foot twisted in a tractor rut in the ground whilst using a hedge trimmer. (ENV – Infrastructure)
16. Injured left foot when slipped on floor while carrying a box of documents. (L&D – Education Other)
17. Cutting grass on a ride on mower when it hit a hidden tree stump at the top of a bank causing the mower to slip about 4ft down the bank. (ENV – Infrastructure)
18. Deep laceration to the palm of left hand whilst grinding down the lip on a brake disc. (ENV – DSO Excluding Leisure)
19. Badly bruised toes after stubbing them on a bookcase. (L&D – Childrens Social Services)
20. Injured top of head after walking towards toolbox in a car pit and hit top of head on pit boarding. (ENV – DSO Excluding Leisure)
21. Injured back whilst shaking out a duvet cover at a client's house. (NS Other NS Services – Adult Care)
22. Travelling in a car and another car collided head on. Bruised foot and ankle. (NS Other NS Services – Adult Care)
23. Electric shock to left hand. (L&D – Education Other)
24. Burn to right hand when adjusting shute on woodchipper - reached out and caught exhaust pipe. (ENV – Infrastructure)
25. Injured head and body when hit by a caravan which was being towed. (ENV)
26. Injured back whilst lifting client onto bed. (NS Other NS Services – Adult Care)
27. Concussion after banging head on fire extinguisher. (L&D Education – Schools Direct Support)
28. Injury to back and leg whilst trying to restrain a struggling child. (L&D Education – Schools Direct Support)
29. Strain to back. (NS Other NS Services – Adult Care, Homecare)
30. Dislocated shoulder whilst attempting to climb a locked gate having been accidentally locked in. (ENV – DSO Excluding Leisure)
31. Strained back after lifting a heavy object. (ENV, Regulatory Services, Environmental Health)
32. Sprain to knee – injury was a result of another vehicle pulling out in front of the vehicle being travelled in. (NS, Other NS Services – Adult care)
33. Fracture to left humerus after slipping and falling over while walking. (L&D Education – Schools Direct Support)

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34. Lacerations to back of head after tripping on a stool and falling backwards towards the floor. (L&D Education - Schools Direct Support)
35. Fracture to arm after tripping over an object on the floor. (L&D Education - Schools Direct Support)
36. Dislocation of the shoulder whilst helping to dress a client. (NS Other NS Services – Adult Care)