

By the Numbers – Working Alone



DID YOU KNOW?

There are 53 million lone workers in the United States, Canada, and Europe combined. To put that statistic into perspective, it represents about 15% of the overall workforce. In fact, the International Labor Organization estimates that 2.3 million work-related fatalities happen each year. Are you doing everything possible to protect the safety of your organization's most valuable assets – your employees? Here are some stats that will make you want to take additional steps to protect your workers:

- 44% of workers say they face personal safety issues in their primary employment practices.
- OSHA states that 48% more assaults occur in the healthcare and social services industries more than any other.
- 62% of social workers have been subject to psychological aggression in the past year, with 86% experiencing this at some point in their careers.
- 15% of social workers have been physically assaulted by clients in the past year, with 30% having experienced this at some point in their career.
- Employee turnover rate is as high as 75% among home healthcare workers.
- 50% of retail workers that are killed are employed alone at late night establishments, such as liquor stores or gas stations.
- An HSE report found that of the workplace fatalities reported between 2012 and 2017, 22 percent were individuals working in the manufacturing industry.
- In 2014, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) reported multiple Oil & Gas-related fatalities in the United States. In fact, the organization reports the Oil & Gas fatality rate is seven times greater than...