

Weekly incident summary

Week ending 19 January 2024

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	34
Summarised incident total	1

Summarised incidents

Incident type	Summary	Comments to industry
Dangerous incident IncNot0046161 Underground coal mine Ground or strata failure	An operator lost consciousness when hit by a large piece of strata that fell from the rib. The miner was pulling back because the vent trunk had fallen out. While pulling back, an unbolted piece of strata fell from the rib and hit the operator. The piece of strata was estimated to exceed 200 kg.	Underground mines should review the adequacy of their strata monitoring arrangements and associated trigger action response plans (TARPs) to ensure that workers are not exposed to unacceptable risks associated with strata failure. Mine operators should consider developing procedures to install rib support bolts, so workers are not exposed to unsupported rib conditions during the work cycle at development faces.



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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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