

REPORTABLE INCIDENTS | WHS MINES LEGISLATION

Weekly incident summary

13 July 2016

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 and summarised in this report. For more comprehensive statistical data refer to our [Annual Performance Measures Reports](#).

Reportable incidents total

Level 1 incidents	→	Level 2 incidents	→	Level 3 incidents
33		2		0

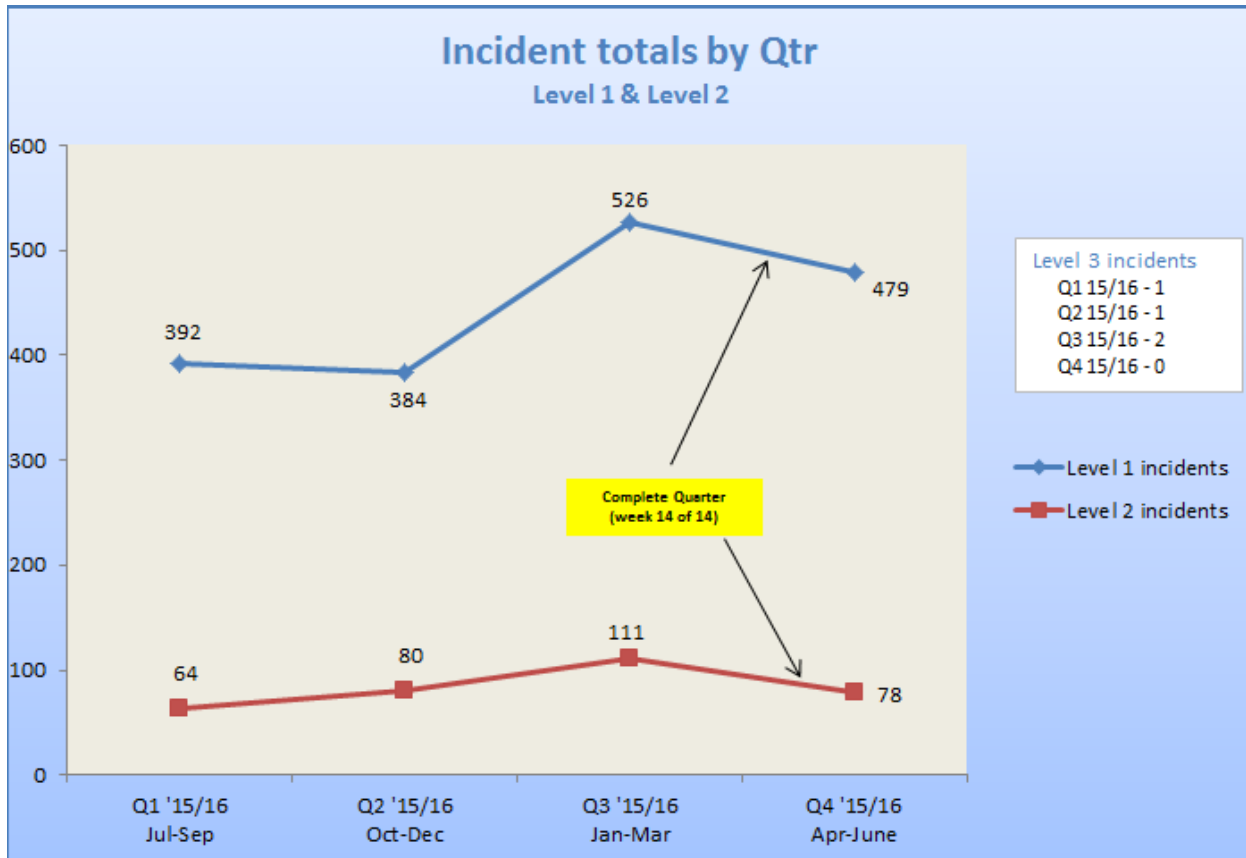
Note: Incidents are categorised as Level 1, 2 or 3 according to the seriousness of the incident, with 3 being the most serious.

Injuries	Fatalities
7	0

Reportable incidents overview

Note: While all incidents are investigated, generally only level 2 and 3 incidents are summarised below.

Level	Incident type	Summary	Comment to industry
2	Work environment 317661822001	Worker struck by a piece of stone/coal while changing tailgate shearer picks.	Maintaining equipment on a longwall face may expose workers to unsupported ground. Mine operators should have systems in place that prevent people entering and/or working in any area of the mine where there is no ground or strata support. Regular inspections, supervision and temporary support should be considered as minimum control measures.
2	Strata/ground control 317661639001	Approximately 100 tonnes of ore failed from a wide brow in an underground metalliferous mine stope. The fallen ore landed predominantly on the rill.	Mine operators should ensure that a system is in place to identify and verify that ground support is being installed as per the mine design. All mine designs should consider and allow for known and prevailing local geological structures and geotechnical issues. A QA/QC system for ground support installation should be in place and monitored for compliance. When considering matters in developing control measures to manage the risks of ground failures, mine operators must refer to the WHS(M&P)R Schedule 1 (1). Metalliferous mines may wish to refer to the Mine Safety Operations publication MEX-009 – Mine ground control management plan audit tool.



Recent incident publications

Type	Identifier	Title	Date published
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No recent publications

You can find all our incident related publications (i.e. safety alerts, safety bulletins, incident information releases, weekly incident summaries and investigation reports) on our [website](#).

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