

## REPORTABLE INCIDENTS | WHS MINES LEGISLATION

# Weekly incident summary

**7 September 2016**

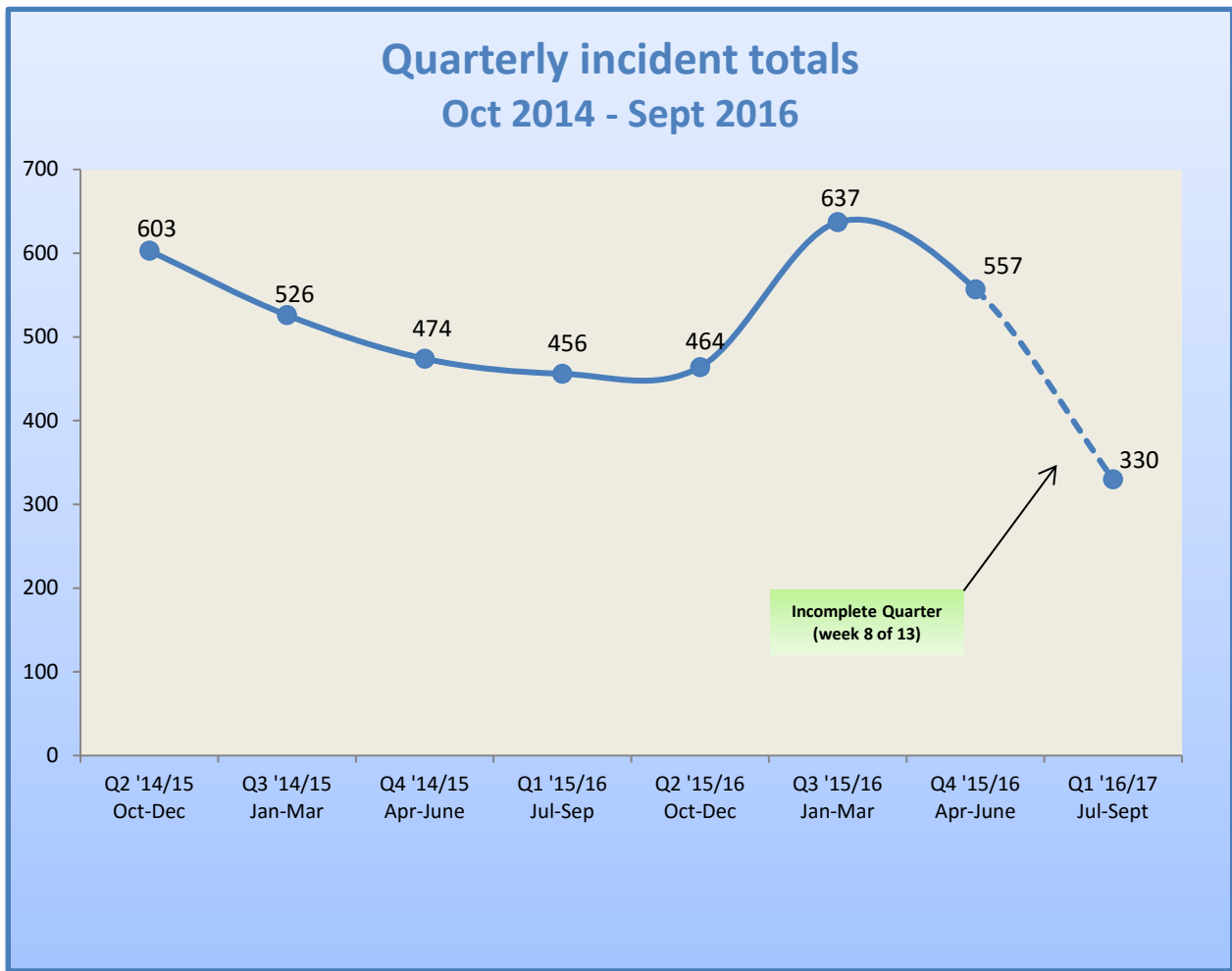
*Note: While the majority of incidents are reported and recorded within a week of the event, some are notified outside this time period. The incidents in this report therefore have not necessarily occurred in a one week period. All newly recorded incidents, whatever the incident date, are reviewed by the Chief Inspector and senior staff each week. For more comprehensive statistical data refer to our [Annual Performance Measures Reports](#).*

To report an incident call **1300 814 609** 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

**Reportable incidents total: 32 Summarised Incidents: 3**

**Summarised Incidents** – incidents of note for which operators should consider the comments provided and determine if action needs to be taken.

Incident type	Summary	Comment to industry
Dangerous incident SinNot 2016/0300	Fire on the cabling associated with a battery isolator unit on a contractor's road registered boilermaker service vehicle. The fire was extinguished using a fire hose.	Battery isolator boxes should be positioned so the IP rating, cable rating and isolator rating cannot be compromised due to ingress of moisture, excessive build-up of foreign material, excessive cable lengths or incorrect ratings of box and isolator.
Complaint SinNot 2016/0318	The department received an anonymous complaint that a large quarry was operating without a qualified person nominated to carry out the statutory functions of an electrical engineer.	Mine operators are reminded that all mines and quarries that use high voltage and/or have a connected load greater than 1000kW must nominate a qualified electrical engineer to fill this statutory role at the mine as a key statutory position subject to the reporting provisions for such positions.
Medical treatment injury SinNot 2016/0318	A diamond drill operator tripped over a drill rod left on the floor of an underground diamond drill cuddy breaking their right ankle in three places.	Mine operators should ensure that risk assessments and standards that identify and eliminate risks in drill cuddies are developed, implemented and reviewed.  Planned inspections should be conducted to ensure standards are maintained.



## Recent incident publications

**No recent incident notifications.**

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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