



National Day of Mourning

The **National Day of Mourning** occurs annually on April 28 and is now recognized by more than 100 countries. This day is dedicated to remembering and supporting workers, and families of workers, who have been injured, became ill or lost their lives due to workplace incidents. This annual observance helps spread awareness of workplace safety and encourages employers and workplaces to establish their commitment to improving workplace safety in effort to prevent future illnesses, injuries and deaths.

To show support, many governmental sites and other institutions recognize the Day of Mourning by lowering flags, holding ceremonies and laying wreaths. Additionally some may show support by pausing for a moment of silence, wearing commemorative pins or ribbons, lighting candles or displaying **Day of Mourning posters**.

2023 in Canada

The Association of Workers Compensation Board of Canada reported:

- 274,022 accepted claims for lost time due to work related injury or disease.
- 1,057 workplace fatalities recorded.
- 675 fatalities relating to Occupational Disease.
- 382 fatalities relating to workplace injuries.

2023 in Prince Edward Island

PEI Workers Compensations Board reported:

- 1 workplace fatality
- 1,718 total number of claims
- Hip, knee, ankle and foot injuries had highest injury rate of 20.3 % of all claims.



Threads of Life is a Canadian registered charity dedicated to supporting families affected by a workplace fatality, life-altering injury, or occupational disease. They work with families and companies to aid in healing and prevention of future workplace incidents. Members come from all regions of Canada, all walks of life, and all age groups.

Steps for Life is a non-profit campaign organized through Threads of Life, to increase awareness of workplace health and safety. Volunteers can walk in support of families affected by workplace fatalities, injuries or illnesses. All funding raised during this campaign is allocated to Threads of Life family support programs and services.

Injury Reporting

Once a work-related injury or illness occurs, promptly report the injury or illness to your direct supervisor/manager. An internal **Government Incident/Accident Report** and **WCB Forms** may need to be completed. A work-related injury or illness is considered one that:

- Happens at work.
- Requires medical treatment or results in time off from work.

April 28

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Pause. Reflect. Remember. Renew.

At 11 am, we will honour workers who have died, were injured, or became ill from their job, and will renew our commitment to health and safety in the workplace.



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Remembering workers injured or killed on the job

Safety and Prevention is Priority

Please show your support

April 28th

