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### Incidents in Numbers

Falls are the **2nd** leading cause of workplace accidental deaths worldwide

Every year an estimated **646,000** individuals globally die from falling

**37.3 million** falls that occur every year require serious medical attention

**#1:** Construction workers are at highest risk of fatal falls

Slips, trips, and falls account for **15%** of all accidental deaths

### The Repercussions

Slips, trips, and falls account for over **\$11 billion** in compensation for businesses globally

The cost to defend a slip or a fall claim is **\$50,000**

An employee suffering from a slip, trip, or fall injury requires **38 days** to recover on average

The average cost burden of a slip, trip, or fall incident is **\$20,000**



### Causal Factors

#### Slips

- Wet or oily surfaces
- Occasional spills
- Loose unanchored mats or rugs
- Uneven floors
- Walking surfaces



#### Trips

- Poor lighting
- Obstructed view
- Uncovered cables
- Wrinkled floor mats or carpets
- Uneven walking surfaces

#### Falls

- Using chains or ladders to access high storage areas
- Climbing down ladders while carrying objects
- Poorly maintained or dimly lit staircases



### Prevention Tips



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