

OSH UPDATE + FIRE Electronic Service – Statistics

This is the 8th edition of *OSH UPDATE + FIRE Newsletter* that is being sent to worldwide users of this electronic collection of 26 databases. We hope you find that the details in this edition of the newsletter **will open up the statistics contents** including **fire statistics** in the collection even more and hopefully enable users to create a safe and healthy workplace wherever you are located.

Constantly expanding content

As the workplaces of the world are rapidly changing OSH UPDATE + FIRE has always aimed to quickly bring new publications containing guidance and advice to help you and your colleagues meet the challenges being presented. This is especially so when looking for information on workplace accidents and fatalities – here you will find many publications giving comparison between countries and statistics. Also you will find that when legislation has been introduced there will be reductions of industrial accidents.

Massive changes in how workplaces are run will also have statistics to support why these changes are successful. See also reports such as the UK Health and Safety Executive [Annual Statistical Report](#) and the Australian journal article Ghassempour, N.; Tannous, W. K.; Avsar, G.; Agho, K. E.; Harvey, L. A. “Estimating the Total Number of Residential Fire-Related Incidents and Underreported Residential Fire Incidents in New South Wales, Australia by Using Linked Administrative Data”. *Int. J. Environ. Res. Public Health*, 2021, 18(13); 6921. <https://doi.org/10.3390/ijerph18136921>

If you wish to suggest any new information we are happy to include in the collection if it comes from an authoritative source.

Currently the total collection contains 1,177,647 records and includes 135,481 full text documents from worldwide validated and authoritative sources.

Background

In the very late 1970s the HSELINE database was created – a collection of bibliographic records of HSE publications plus bibliographic records of all the holdings of the 30 Health and Safety Executive Information Services points that made up the total service (whose Head of Information Services was Sheila Pantry).

The HSE Information Services and HSE Computer Services created HSELINE using the UK Harwell Laboratories STATUS programme. It was the first database created by any UK Government Department or Agency to be made publicly available – firstly on the European Space Agency (ESA) computer in Frascati, Italy.

At the same time – late 1970s – the US National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) was creating the bibliographic NIOSHTICS database, now known as NIOSHTICS 1.

A little later, the International Labour Office Health and Safety Centre (known as CIS) also created the CISDOC bibliographic database.

Fast developments were taking place in the use of technologies and the Compact Disc era enabled the company SilverPlatter in London to work with Sheila Pantry, HSE and then invited USA NIOSH Information Services Team in Cincinnati and the ILO CIS team in Geneva to help create OSH-ROM – “Occupational Safety and Health Read Only Memory” Compact Disc in 1986! OSH-ROM was soon enlarged to include other databases.

So, some of the databases in OSH UPDATE+ FIRE go back many, many decades with HSELINE (now containing both bibliographic and full text documents) and both NIOSHTICS 1 (bibliographic) and NIOSHTICS 2 (full text) giving extremely useful contributions to the wealth of information in the current collection. And Sheila Pantry is still the driver of the collection and has created, with colleague Andrew Armitage, many databases covering all aspects of OSH and fire information sources.

Databases

Currently the following 26 full text and bibliographic databases are included in OSH UPDATE + FIRE

ANPI Archive – Bibliographic	Belgian Fire and Intrusion Prevention Association
BRE FLAIR FRS – Bibliographic	UK BRE Global Ltd
BSI Standards – Leads to full text	British Standards Institution (BSI)
CCOHS OSH Answers Full Text	Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety
CISDOC Bibliographic	CIS Health & Safety Information Centre, International Labour Office, Geneva
EU Legislation Full Text	Office of the Official Publications of the European Communities
European OSH Agency Full Text	European Agency for Safety and Health at Work Publications
FRI Wildland Fire, USA – Bibliographic	Fire Research Institute Wildland Fire, USA – documents are available from FRI see address in the service
FSEG Full Text	University of Greenwich, Fire Safety Engineering Group (FSEG) UK
HSELINE Full Text and Bibliographic	UK Health and Safety Executive Information Services
ILO Conventions, Protocols and Recommendations Full Text	International Labour Office, Geneva, Switzerland
International Fire Bibliographic	Produced by Sheila Pantry Associates Ltd
International OSH Bibliographic	Produced by Sheila Pantry Associates Ltd
International OSH and FIRE Full Text Collection	Produced by Sheila Pantry Associates Ltd Full text documents from many worldwide authoritative sources
Irish Full Text Collection	Produced by Sheila Pantry Associates Ltd Full text documents from the HSA, other Irish government departments and selected Irish organisations
Irish Legislation Full Text	Produced by Sheila Pantry Associates Ltd Full text of Irish Acts and SIs relevant to safety, health and welfare
IRSST Full Text	Institut de recherche Robert-Sauvé en santé et en sécurité du travail
LPC Risk Sciences Fire Archive Biblio	LPC Centre for Risk Sciences Archive
Major Hazards Accidents and Incidents Database (MHAID) Full Text	Produced by Sheila Pantry Associates Ltd
NSAI Bibliographic	National Standards Association of Ireland References to all Irish Standards published by the NSAI
NSAI Full Text	Full text of Irish Standards on Health and Safety
NIOSH TIC Bibliographic	US National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health
NIOSH TIC-2 Bibliographic	US National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health
RILOSH Bibliographic	Ryerson International Labour Occupational Safety and Health
RoSPA Bibliographic and Full Text	UK Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents Information Services
UK Legislation Full Text	Produced by Sheila Pantry Associates Ltd Full text of UK Acts and SIs relevant to safety, health and welfare

N.B. When you make a search for information all these databases are used unless you specify a particular one(s).

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