

TABLE XI.—ACCIDENTS IN FACTORIES, CALENDAR YEAR 1947, BY AGE-GROUPS*

Age-group.	Number of Accidents.		
	To Males.	To Females.	Total.
Under 16	42	3	45
16 to 20	869	58	927
21 to 24	1,084	50	1,134
25 to 34	1,957	44	2,001
35 to 44	1,435	30	1,465
45 to 54	856	25	881
55 and over	535	14	549
Not stated	154	7	161
Total	6,932	231	7,163

* These are preliminary figures only, and include 413 accidents in "bush undertakings" reported under the Bush Workers Act, 1945. "Factory" accidents numbered 6,750.

TABLE XII.—ACCIDENTS IN FACTORIES, CALENDAR YEAR 1947, BY CAUSE OF ACCIDENT*

Cause.	Number of Accidents.		Percentage Change.
	1946.	1947.	
Fixed machinery	1,161	1,277	+ 10.0
Vehicles	54	126	+133.3
Explosions and fires	190	192	+ 1.0
Poisonous and corrosive substances	170	128	- 24.7
Electricity	12	15	+ 25.0
Fall of persons	460	497	+ 8.0
Stepping on or striking against fixed objects	319	353	+ 10.7
Falling or otherwise moving objects	168	219	+ 30.4
Falls of earth	2	2	..
Handling of objects	2,203	2,366	+ 7.4
Hand-tools	1,353	1,563	+ 15.5
Miscellaneous	296	425	+ 43.6
Total	6,388	7,163	+ 12.1

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