## By the Numbers: Key Statistics for Warehouses



There are over 10,000 warehouses in the United States and Canada, employing over 200,000 workers, and countless ways to be injured or killed.

The FIVE most accident-prone areas and activities in a warehouse are:

- 1. Loading docks
- 2. Forklift operations
- Conveyors
- 4. Materials handling
- 5. Manual lifting and handling

## Top **THREE** warehouse injuries?

- 1. Slips and falls
- 2. Injuries from lifting, pushing, pulling, and reaching
- 3. Material handling / forklift accidents

As many as **20,000** workers are injured in forklift accidents alone each year and 25% of those accidents happen when a forklift overturns.

When it comes to pallet jack failure, the seven top causes are: damage from the forklift, racks overloaded, racks with altered configurations, a change in operation (such as rearrangement), not using the equipment correctly, buying a smaller rack capacity to save money, and faulty equipment.

**\$38,000** direct cost and **\$150,000** indirect costs — according to the National Safety Council — that's how much a worker injury can cost a company.