

COST OF INJURY

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The following data reflect workers' compensation payments made to small & medium-sized farm operations across 14 Midwest states.

The **bold** figures below represent the average cost of an injury, with the range in brackets representing 95% of the cost for such an injury.

These numbers represent **immediate costs of injury only, including medical costs & disability/death claims.**

Among injury cases with workers' compensation payments, **one-third of the injuries affected the individual's ability to farm.**

INJURY COST BY BODY PART

Head, Face, Neck

\$24,902

[\$3,015 - \$46,788]

Upper Arm

\$20,076

[\$13,039 - \$27,114]

Torso

\$16,153

[\$0 - \$36,831]

Lower Arm

\$14,685

[\$10,564 - \$18,807]

Upper Leg

\$10,221

[\$6,163 - \$14,280]

Lower Leg

\$14,674

[\$6,353 - \$22,994]



INJURY COST BY CAUSE

Animals & Insects

\$14,759

[\$7,787 - \$21,724]

Strain

\$18,201

[\$10,682 - \$25,719]

Falling Objects

\$52,058

[\$4,384 - \$99,733]

Slips, Trips, Falls

\$21,052

[\$14,066 - \$28,039]

Machine/Tool Use

\$7,985

[\$2,012 - \$13,958]

Electricity

\$3,647

[\$1,248 - \$6,045]

Above costs do not include other out-of-pocket expenses, such as hired help, recovery time, and lost wages.