



## Safety Snapshots

March 2014

A quarterly look at WHS across Australia as it relates to the precast industry.

### National News



#### 22 Work-Related Deaths Already This Year

Safe Work Australia has released the latest figures on work related deaths for 2012, 2013 and 2014. [More](#)



#### Workplace Quit Smoking Program

Workers and businesses are encouraged to participate in the free Workplace Quit Smoking Program, which is a key activity of the Workplaces for Wellness Initiative. [More](#)

### State News



#### NSW

##### Construction Site fatality

A worker has died at a construction site in Barangaroo, central Sydney after what is believed to be a fall from scaffolding. [More](#)



#### NSW

##### Thousands Evacuated After Site Fire

Major roads were closed and thousands of people evacuated after a huge fire broke out in the basement of a building at Barangaroo. [More](#) and [More](#)



#### NSW

##### Construction Safety Blitz

A six-week work health and safety blitz of commercial construction sites across Sydney and hot spots in regional NSW was launched today by WorkCover NSW. [More](#)



## SA

### Precast Panel Falls

The director of a South Australian company pleaded guilty to a failure to take reasonable care to avoid adversely affecting the health or safety of other persons while supervising the movement of precast concrete panels with a crane. [More](#)



## QLD

### Funding to Premote Safe Work Initiatives

Queensland businesses that develop innovative safe and healthy workplace ideas are set to benefit from grants amounting to more than \$1 million offered by the government under the Working for Wellness Program initiative. [More](#)



## VIC

### OHS Management Plan

If you are working on a construction or earth-moving site in Victoria, SafetyCulture has produced a fully customisable **OH&S Management Plan (OHSMP)** that could be just what you need. [More](#)



## NT

### Hose Whip on Concrete Pumps

A number of pedestrians walking past a Darwin construction site during a concrete pour were sprayed with concrete slurry as a result of hose whip due to a block in the line. [More](#)

## International News



## Sri Lanka

### Three Workers Die in Tragic Accident

Three construction workers died when a concrete beam collapsed on them at a construction site. [More](#)



## United Kingdom

### British Precast Guidance on Finishing Stairs

After a fatality in 2012 a Coroner has requested that British Precast release a best practice for the safe finishing of stairs. [More](#)

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