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Injury and Fatalities in the Mining Workplace: Comparing the United States with Other Mining Countries

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This paper compares published mining statistics on injuries and fatalities for the United States and several mining countries where mining plays a significant role in the economic well being of the country. The authors examine similarities and differences between the United States experience and those of countries such as Canada, South Africa, Russia, and Sweden. The focus of discussion is the identification of sometimes hidden clues that help pinpoint the actual injury and fatality rates of the non-US mining countries. It is well known that mining is one of the most dangerous occupations in the United States; this paper will document how dangerous mining is in other major mining countries worldwide. The document will identify the technical needs for valid injury statistics and for injury prevention of countries outside of the United States and will give an indication of injury trends in countries where no statistics are available to improve occupational health and safety outcomes.

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