



Ministry of
Mining and
Critical Minerals

Weekly Summary of Reportable Incidents

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Reportable Incidents

14

Incidents Reported January 19th to 25th, 2026

- 1. Surface Mobile Equipment Out of Control:** A loaded haul truck lost dynamic braking power and reached speeds of 96 kilometres per hour before coming to a stop.
- 2. Surface Blasting Explosives:** A shovel operator noticed a booster and detonator while excavating at the dig face.
- 3. Underground Mobile Equipment Other:** A light vehicle struck a steel door, causing damage.
- 4. Surface Mobile Equipment Collision:** A light vehicle travelling at approximately 30 kilometres per hour contacted a water truck on a single-lane road.
- 5. Surface Mobile Equipment Fire:** A light vehicle caught fire. Fire was extinguished with a handheld extinguisher.
- 6. Surface Operations:** During the de-energizing of a drill, incorrect lockout procedures resulted in the disconnection of a 7200-volt energized cable.
- 7. Surface Electrical Shock:** An electrician was fatally electrocuted while working in an electrical substation.
- 8. Surface Mobile Equipment Unexpected Movement:** During the connection of trailer to a truck, the trailer rolled backwards downhill for approximately 85 metres before coming to rest in a berm.
- 9. Surface Mobile Equipment Autonomous:** An empty autonomous haul truck travelling downhill slid approximately 104 metres, contacted a berm and coming to a stop.
- 10. Surface Mobile Equipment Fire:** A haul truck operator noticed a fire in the truck's electrical cabinet. Mine rescue responded.
- 11. Underground Fire that Threatened Persons/Equipment:** A mine reported a fire on a conveyor pulley bearing. Mine rescue responded and extinguished the fire.

- 12. Surface Mobile Equipment Out of Control:** An empty haul truck hit a punch-out in the haul road. Mine rescue responded and extricated the operator, who was transported for medical aid for back and neck injuries.
- 13. Surface Mobile Equipment Fire:** A light vehicle caught fire. Mine rescue responded and extinguished the fire.
- 14. Underground Mobile Equipment Collision:** An underground haul truck operator dumped a load in the underground crusher. While pulling away, the truck's box contacted the roof, causing the truck to stop abruptly and jarring the operator. Mine rescue responded, and the operator was transported for medical assessment for a vertebrae injury.

Comments: A mine manager must develop a Mine Emergency Response Plan (MERP), keep it current, and ensure it is regularly practiced and clearly understood by all workers and contractors. Ongoing review and training strengthen emergency readiness, helping teams respond quickly and effectively to protect people, equipment, and the environment. The Ministry of Mining and Critical Minerals has developed an [MERP Guidelines](#) document that suggests approaches for preparing, training and organizing personnel for managing a mine emergency operation.