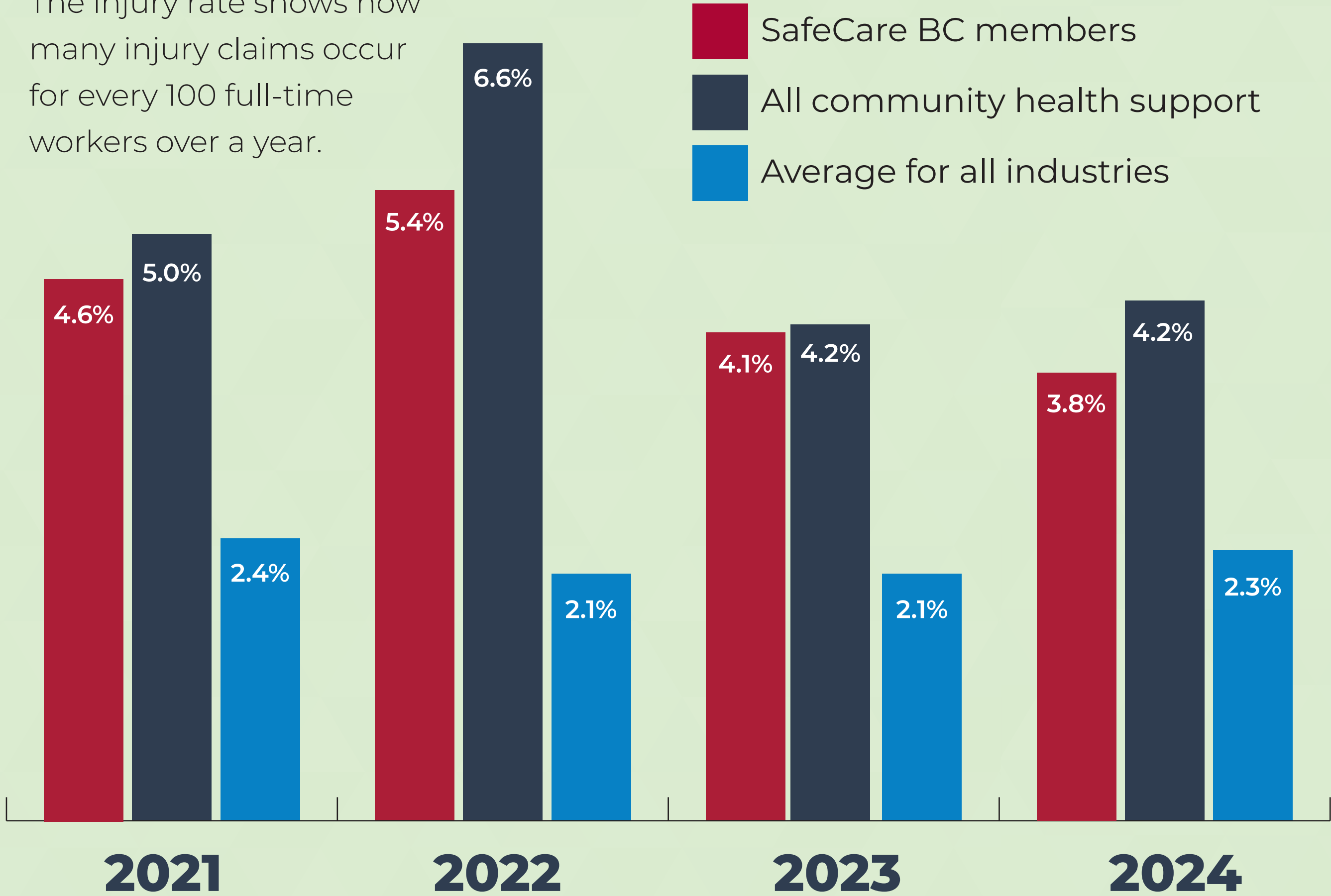


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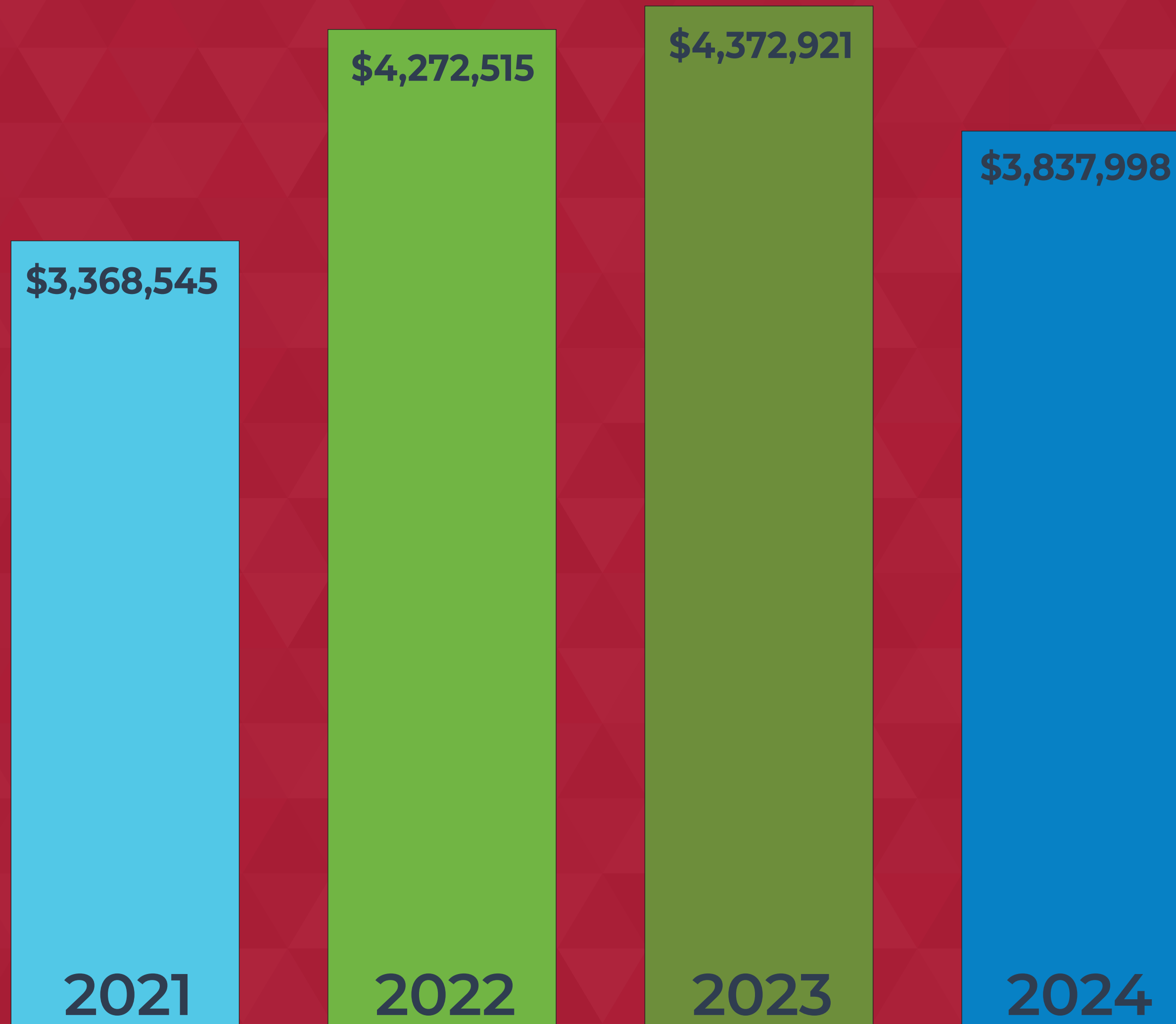
THE INJURY RATE IN
COMMUNITY HEALTH SUPPORT
IS **2.3 TIMES HIGHER** THAN THE
AVERAGE FOR ALL SECTORS IN
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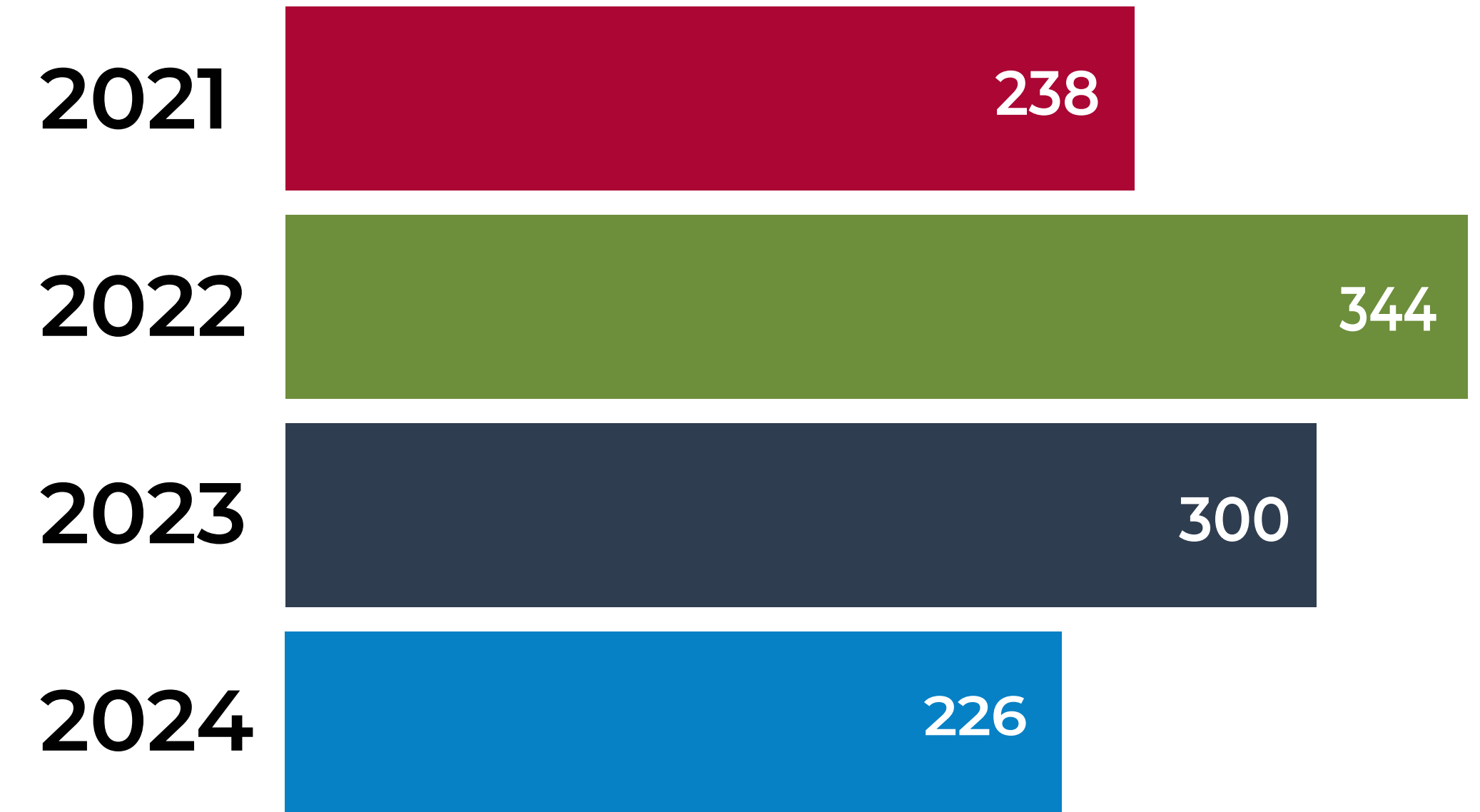
The injury rate shows how many injury claims occur for every 100 full-time workers over a year.



CLAIMS COSTS



TOTAL # CLAIMS

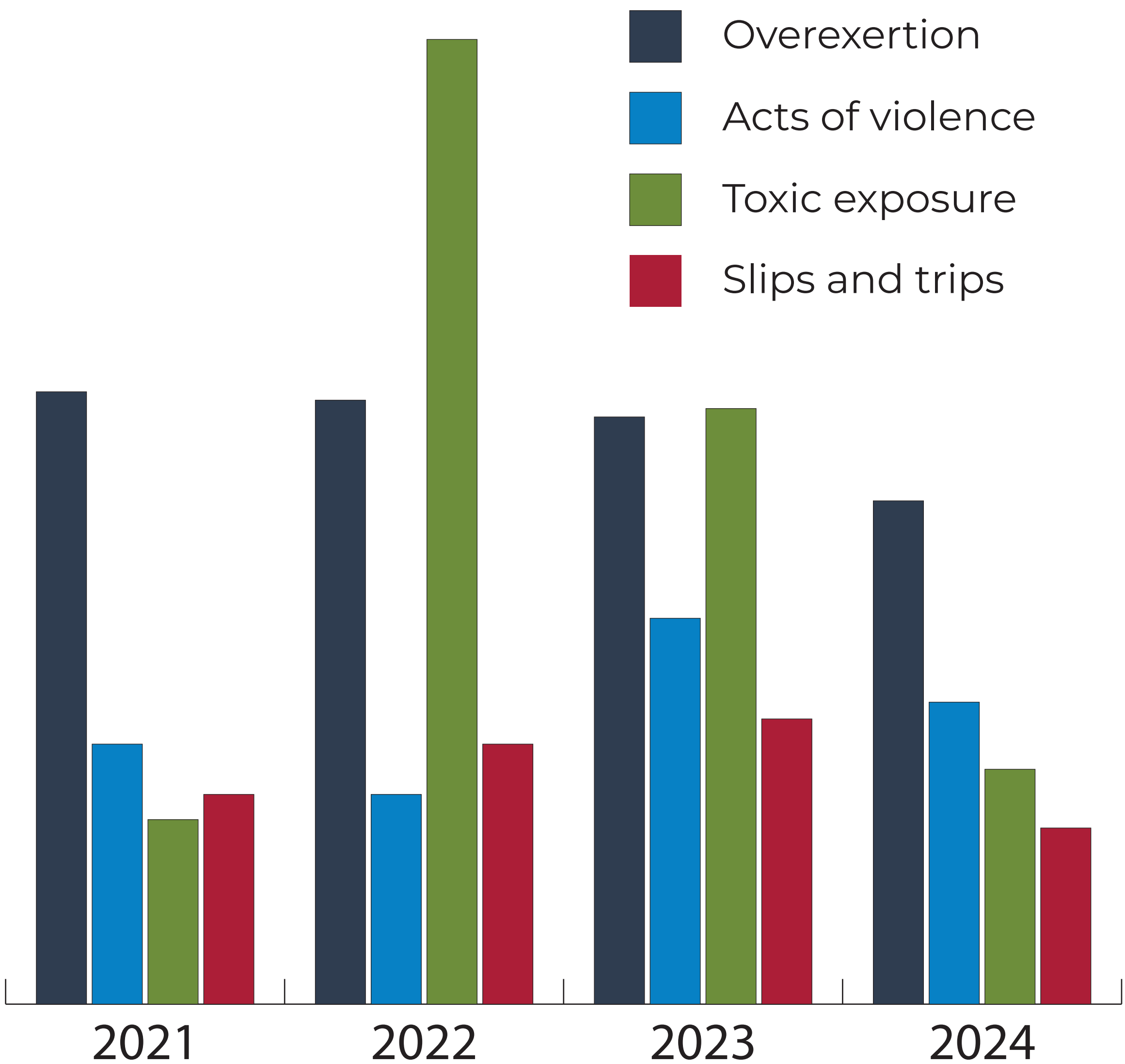


10,821 WORK DAYS LOST TO INJURY IN 2024

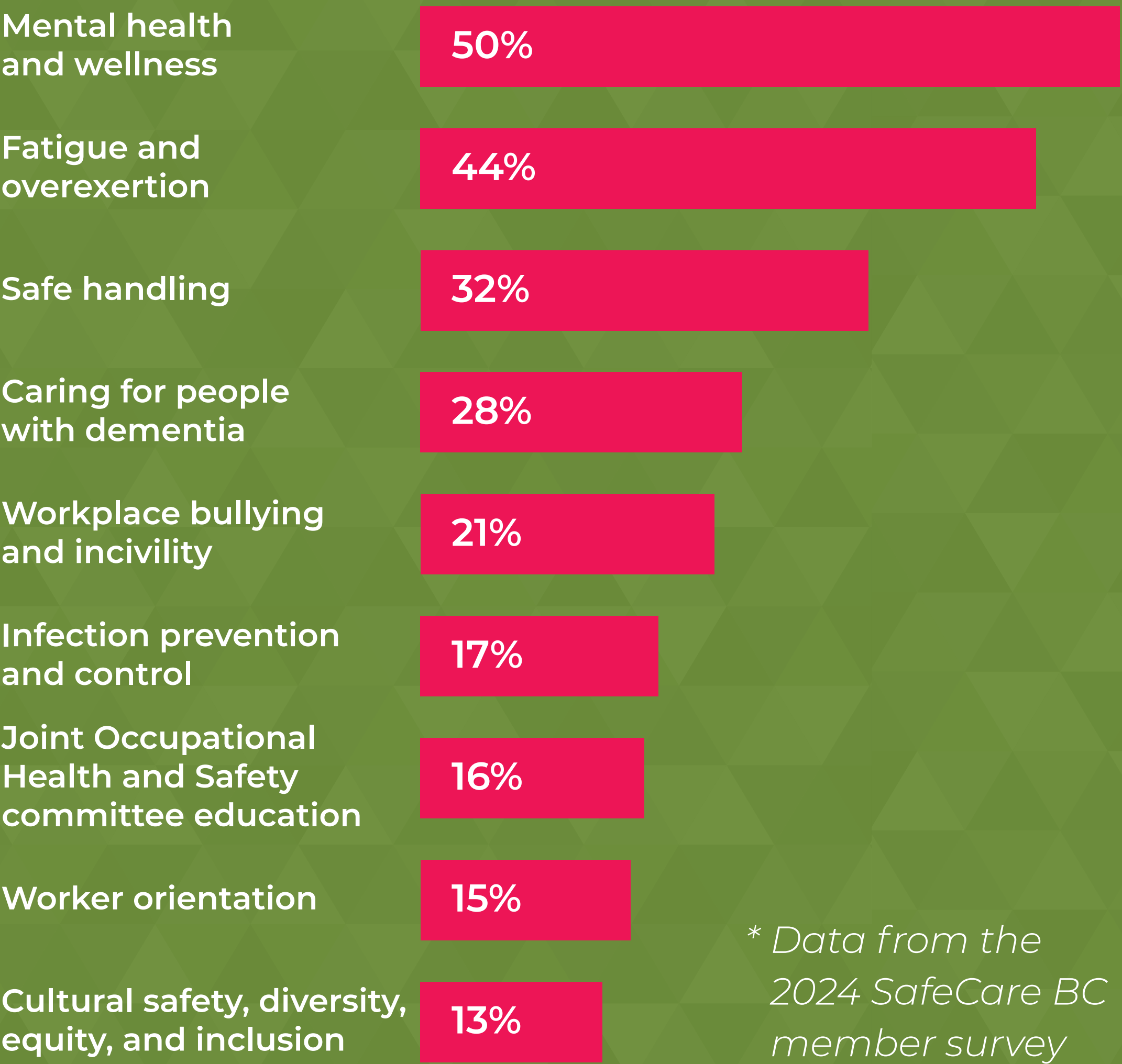


=43 FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES

TOP INJURIES RESULTING IN LOST WORK DAYS



TOP SAFETY CONCERNS



** Data from the 2024 SafeCare BC member survey*

OVEREXERTION

28% of injury claims in 2024

PREVENTION



- Lifting or lowering
- Repetitive motion
- Pulling
- Pushing
- Holding
- Carrying
- Throwing
- Repetitive use of tools or instruments

- Before manual handling, assess the task
- Avoid bending, reaching, and twisting when lifting
- Take frequent short breaks and stretch
- Follow leading practices for safe handling
- Get help with heavy loads
- Hold regular training on safe resident handling

ACTS OF VIOLENCE

**17% of
injury
claims**

2024

Acts of violence are the **second leading cause** of workplace injury for community health support workers in BC, at **17% of all injuries** in 2024.

Violence in the workplace includes:

- Direct **physical assault**
- Written or **verbal threats**
- Physical or verbal **harassment**

PREVENT VIOLENCE IN COMMUNITY HEALTH SUPPORT

- Have a **workplace violence prevention program** that includes a risk assessment and controls, reporting and investigation
- **Review and update** your violence prevention policy
- Register your team in **violence prevention education**



TOXIC EXPOSURE

Exposure to a toxic substance - including biological, chemical, or physical agents.

PREVENTION

- Assess the risk for toxic exposure
- Develop and follow an exposure control plan
- Reduce the risk by encouraging appropriate infection prevention and control practices, including proper hand washing and performing proper cough etiquette

13% of
injury
claims
in 2024



Prevent falls

- Mark spills or wet areas, and clean up spills immediately
- Remove obstacles from walkways and keep free from clutter
- Secure mats, rugs, and carpets and cover any cables that cross walkways
- Keep working areas and walkways well lit

The majority of workplace falls happen from slips and trips.

SLIPS AND TRIPS

10% of injury claims in 2024



how we can help

- ✓ Walk you through the data in your **employer health and safety planning toolkit**
- ✓ Support you through our **Tailored Outreach Program**
- ✓ Offer you customized **one-on-one support** for health and safety challenges
- ✓ Provide you with **leading-edge** training, workshops, and webinars

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