

# YOUNG WORKERS



**IN AUSTRALIA** the estimated cost of work related injuries and illness to young workers is **\$12 BILLION PER YEAR**

Safework Australia (2013). "Work related injuries experienced by young workers 2009 - 2010".



**IN NSW** 15 to 25 year olds have a **75% greater chance of being injured at work**, compared to other age groups



**15 workers** in the 15 to 25 year age group are injured **every day**

(SafeWork NSW, 2017)

On average a young person is injured in an **AUSTRALIAN WORKPLACE**

**every**  
**4 minutes &**  
**24 seconds**



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Young people's brains are **still developing** well into their **20's**

The planning, risk and decision making part of the brain is last to develop

## TIPS

Familiarise yourself with your teenager's job, so you can help them identify and manage risks at work

Be a good example at home - use the right tools and protective equipment when cooking, gardening or doing repair work

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**Youthsafe partners to prevent unintentional injury of young people**

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