



## Craven Safety Services - August 2020 Newsletter

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### HSE latest statistics

The HSE has released its annual figures for the number of work-related fatalities in 2019/20, as well as the number of people known to have died from the asbestos-related cancer, mesothelioma, in 2018.

The provisional annual data for work-related fatal accidents revealed that 111 workers were fatally injured at work between April 2019 and March 2020 (a rate of 0.34 deaths per 100,000 workers), the lowest year on record. This represents a fall of 38 deaths from the previous year, though it is likely that this fall was accentuated by the impact of coronavirus (COVID-19) on the economy in the final two months of the year.

In line with previous years' fatal injury statistics, these figures do not include deaths from occupational disease. Covid-19 infection is therefore not part of these figures and will not feature in fatal injury statistics in subsequent years.

While there has been a long-term reduction in the number of annual fatalities (the number has almost halved in the last 20 years), aside from the current fall, the number has remained broadly level in recent years.

Further details can be found here

- <https://press.hse.gov.uk/2020/07/01/hse-releases-annual-workplace-fatality-figures-for-2019-20/>
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## HSE Social Distancing Guide

The HSE have issued a guide to social distancing at work.

Social distancing means keeping people apart to help reduce the spread of coronavirus. You must ensure that workers and other people visiting your workplace understand and comply with the measures you put in place.

Visit the HSE social distancing web page for more information on making your workplace COVID-secure.

<https://www.hse.gov.uk/coronavirus/social-distancing/index.htm>

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## Two new articles by Craven Safety Services

We have added two new articles to our website.

The first is a guide to working with COVID-19 and can be found here <https://cravensafetyservices.co.uk/working-during-covid-19/>

The second is a guide to working with Air Compressors and can be found here <https://cravensafetyservices.co.uk/air-compressors/>