

Slips, Trips and Falls are MIIA's #1 cause of injury accounting for 31% of all MIIA workers' compensation losses and nearly \$33,000,000 in dollars incurred in past 5 years.



Due diligence
and awareness
can prevent
many of the
injuries.

Many of these injuries occur during winter in employee parking lots. Pre-treat employee parking lots and walkways prone to ice accumulation (shaded or areas with poor drainage).



Many injuries occur while carrying "something", whether it be a box of school supplies, a tool box or the trash. Park near an entrance to unload.



Poor drainage is hazardous. Move downspouts, adjust your snow removal/storage areas, fill holes where water can accumulate.



Many of the injuries are due to improper footwear. Flat soled shoes do not offer any traction. Consider providing anti-slip ice cleats to employees that can be slipped on over shoes.



Links to more tips to prevent slips, trips and falls:

MA Dept. of Labor Standards' Safety Tips – [Preventing Slips Trips and Falls](#)

National Safety Council's [Slips Trips and Falls](#)

EOLWD Training Office's Video [Prevent Slip, Trip and Fall Injuries at Work](#)