

5 years on from
Government's Health and
Safety Review
How are we going?

Independent Taskforce on Workplace Health and Safety

- Pyke River disaster
- Public outcry about harm in our workplaces
- Taskforce formed
- 15 recommendations – levers for change
 - Accountability
 - Motivating
 - Knowledge

Vision 2023

“We call for an urgent, sustainable step-change in harm prevention activity and a dramatic improvement in outcomes to the point where this country’s workplace health and safety performance is recognized as amongst the best in the world in 10 years time.”

Recommendations – Accountability

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2. New law based on Australian model law
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4. Actions to support effective worker participation
5. Alignment and co-ordination of workplace health and safety activities
6. Revise H&S activities of CAA, MNZ, Police and NZTA
7. Strengthen the regulation of Occupational Health
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Recommendations - Motivating levers

- 9. Government provides leadership
- 10. Implement rewards and reflect costs
- 11. Increase the costs of poor health and safety performance

Recommendations – Knowledge Levers

- 12. The new agency develop regulations, ACoPs and guidance material
- 13. Improve data on workplace injury and occupational health performance
- 14. Lead development and implementation of workforce development strategy
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Death and harm

- Progress against targets
- Who is getting harmed and killed?
- What is working well?
- What are the opportunities for greater effort?

Where does Energy safety fit

- Legislation and compliance
- Electric vehicles – what growth!
- Renewable energy
- Business and domestic take-up
- Challenges for safety

Last word from the Taskforce

... It is our sincerest wish that our work contributes to fewer deaths and injuries in New Zealand workplaces from now on.

Rob Jager, Paul MacKay, Bill Rosenberg, Mavis Mullins, Mike Cosman,
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