

# Weekly incident summary

## Week ending 10 November 2023

This incident summary provides information on reportable incidents and safety advice for the NSW mining industry. To report an incident to the NSW Resources Regulator: phone 1300 814 609 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

### At a glance

High level summary of emerging trends and our recommendations to operators.



Type	Number
Reportable incident total	37
Summarised incident total	2

### Summarised incidents

Incident type	Summary	Comments to industry
Dangerous incident IncNot0045758 Open cut coal Roads or other vehicle operating areas	A haul truck was loaded by an excavator and kicked out. The truck driver did not hear the horn. Before the truck drove away the excavator started to reposition. In the process, the excavator counterweight hit the dovetail of the tray. No workers were injured.	Excavator operators must remain situationally aware and ensure that loaded trucks have left the swing radius of the excavator before manoeuvring for the next load.  Visual confirmation of truck departure should be established instead of relying on soft controls such as lights and horns and assuming the truck has moved away.



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Dangerous incident IncNot0045793 Open cut coal Roads or other vehicle operating areas 	A dozer was hit by an excavator bucket while the excavator was slewing for a bucket of coal. The dozer was too close to the swing radius of the excavator and when activating the steer clutch went the wrong way. 	Dozer drivers should maintain a sufficient buffer between their machine and the swing radius of an operating excavator.  Clear and specific procedures must be in place for when dozers are cleaning up within the swing radius.  Dozers should not try to work close to the edge of the swing radius and should at all times remain aware of the demarcation area.

## Other Resources Regulator publications

- [Safety Bulletin SB23-09 Incidents show poor response to tyre fires on heavy earth moving machinery](#)

Note: While the majority of incidents are reported and recorded within a week of the event, some are notified outside this time period. The incidents in this report therefore have not necessarily occurred in a one-week period. All newly recorded incidents, whatever the incident date, are reviewed by the Chief Inspector and senior staff each week. For more comprehensive statistical data refer to our annual performance measures reports.

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