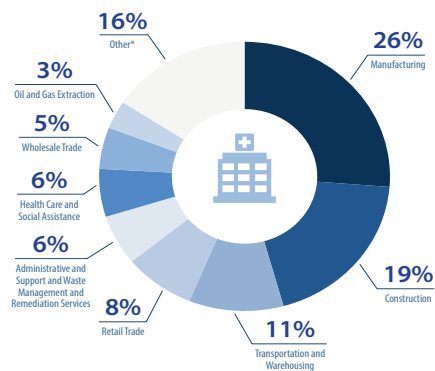
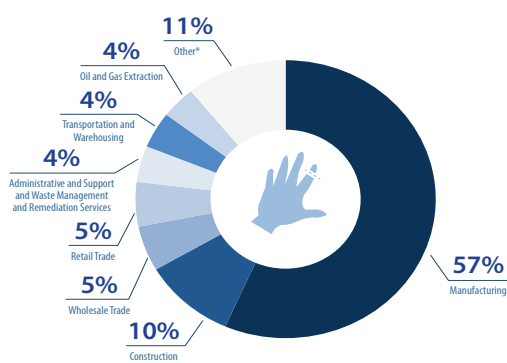


Figure One: Reports filed by industry sector

7,636 HOSPITALIZATION REPORTS



2,644 AMPUTATION REPORTS



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* Other industry sectors include: Accommodation and Food Services; Other Services (except Public Administration); Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, and Hunting; Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services; Public Administration; Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation; Information; Utilities; Real Estate and Rental and Leasing; Educational Services; Finance and Insurance; and Management of Companies and Enterprises.

Sheet Metal Workers learn about mesothelioma

The Sheet Metal Occupational Health Institute Trust (SMOHIT) has partnered with the Mesothelioma Applied Research Foundation to better educate sheet metal workers about mesothelioma and assist with treatment in the case of diagnosis.

SMOHIT was founded in 1986 to address the impact of asbestos exposure on those working in the sheet metal industry. To date, more than 55,000 sheet metal workers have been screened.

The rare cancer is primarily caused by asbestos exposure, and patients typically aren't diagnosed until 20 to 50 years after their exposure. Of the 3,000 new diagnoses in the United States annually, most of them are either pleural or peritoneal.

Pleural mesothelioma, the most common form, grows like a rind around the lining of the lungs. Peritoneal mesothelioma develops in the lining of the abdomen.

The Research Foundation is a nonprofit that provides research funding, education, support and advocacy for patients diagnosed with mesothelioma. It attends many of SMOHIT's mesothelioma screenings at union halls and training centers across the country to help workers and calm any fears surrounding screenings and diagnosis.

Just like with many forms of cancer, the earlier the diagnosis and treatment, the better the outcome.

"A diagnosis is no longer a death sentence," said Randall Krocka, SMOHIT administrator.

SMOHIT also monitors the health of sheet metal workers as it relates to workplace exposures and hazards; it provides safety information and training related to best safety practices on and off the job; it advocates for the health and safety of its members with government agencies and through allied organizations; and it provides diet and exercise information to address the health and wellness of union members.

The organization works directly with the International Training Institute (ITI) to provide training programs for the unionized sheet metal industry.

For more information on SMOHIT, go to smohit.org or call 703-739-7130.

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employers could have abated them in straightforward, cost-effective ways, such as by providing fall protection equipment, installing guarding over dangerous machinery, or clearly marking pathways.

To learn more about how to report injuries, go to www.osha.gov/report.html.

Former Massey Energy CEO gets year in prison for blast that killed 29 miners

Former Massey Energy CEO Don Blankenship was sentenced to a year in federal prison and fined \$250,000 for conspiracy to willfully violate mine health and safety standards at Massey Energy's Upper Big Branch (UBB) mine, located in Raleigh County, W. Va.

The UBB mine was the site of an explosion April 5, 2010, that killed 29 workers. United Mine Workers of America Presi-

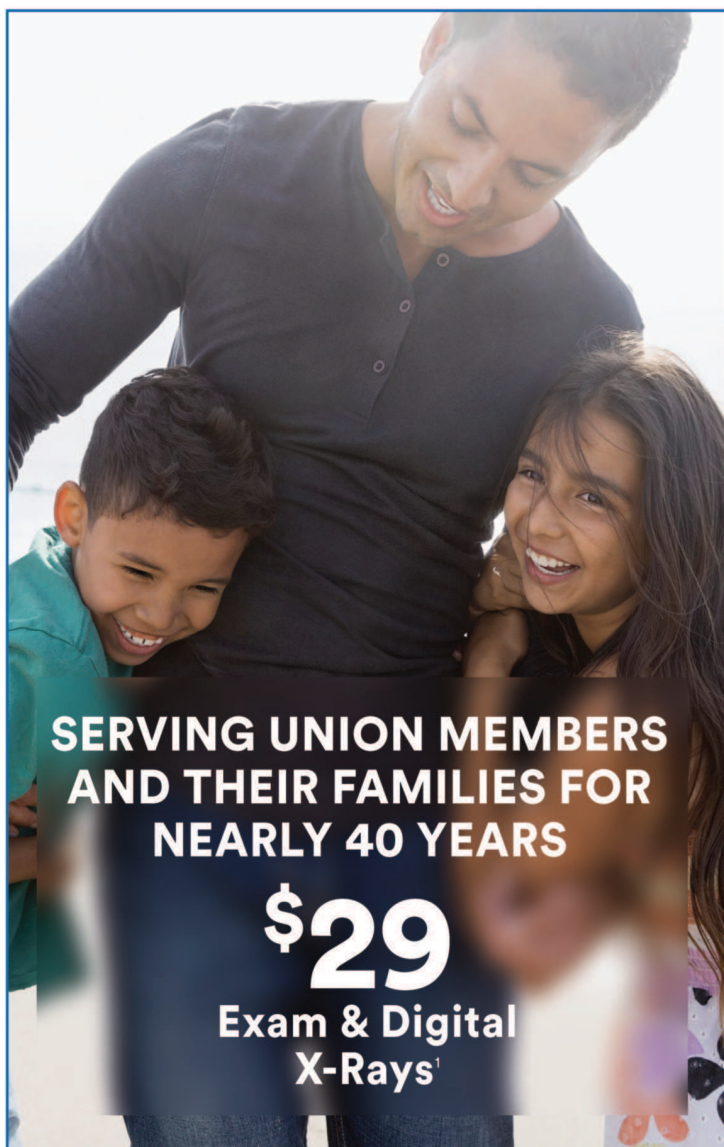
dent Cecil Roberts said 52 people have been killed at Massey mines while Blankenship was CEO. "The penalty he has received means he will get one week per death. That's a travesty," Roberts said.

Roberts said Blankenship deserves to go to jail "for that is surely where he belongs. And although this sentence will not begin to make him atone for his crimes, there is a higher court he will answer to someday, and I have complete faith that the justice he receives there will be more than adequate."

U.S. Secretary of Labor Thomas Perez called it a clear case of the punishment not fitting the crime.

"This sentence is the maximum allowable under the law, but regrettably, the criminal provisions of the Mine Act are far too weak to truly hold accountable those who put miners' lives at risk," he said.

During the trial, in which jury selection began on Oct. 1, 2015, and the jury returned a guilty verdict on Dec. 3, 2015, the jury heard evidence from 27 witnesses. Many were coal miners who worked at the Upper Big Branch mine prior to the 2010 explosion, and they testified in detail from their firsthand knowledge of the unsafe working conditions at UBB, violations of U.S. Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) regulations, and organized efforts to obstruct and interfere with MSHA inspectors.



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