

# OCCUPATIONAL RISK SYSTEM IN ARGENTINA

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#### **OCCUPATIONAL RISK LAW**

#### **Main Characteristics**

- IN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM
- Operating on the basis of a universal and mandatory insurance
  - Insurance rates based on the risk
  - Integration between prevention and repair
- PRIVATE MANAGERS ENTITIES (occupational risk insurance) FOR PROFIT
- Automatic Coverage
  - Precise definition of the contingencies
  - Objective determination of benefits
  - Expeditious administrative procedures

#### **PREVENTION**

Key Actors and Roles

STATE

•The National Government regulates and the National Government along with the Provincial States supervise.

**EMPLOYERS** 

•Based on security duty: compliance with the regulations of health and safety at work.

**EMPLOYEES** 

• Compliance with specific obligations (Complaints, training, examinations).

OCCUPATIONAL RISK INSURANCE COMPANY

• Advises under the current regulatory standards, reporting violations and performs periodic medical examinations.

## **ARGENTINA**

#### 2010 Data - SECOND TRIMESTER

Economically Active Population (EAP)	16.561.280
UNEMPLOYED	1.280.086
EMPLOYED	15.281.194
Employees (wage earner)	11.613.708
Non formal workers (non standard way of employment)	4.239.003
Self employed	3.667.487
Employees under the Occupational Risks Law	7.975.107
• ORL vs. EAP	48,16%
• ORL vs. EMPLOYED	52,19%
ORL vs. Wage earners	68,67%

**Source:** Based on data from the Ministry of Economy, INDEC, SRT and UART estimates.

- UNEMPLOYED
- NON FORMAL

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PUBLIC HOSPITALS

**NON WORK RELATED DISEASES** 

ACCIDENTS AND
OCCUPATIONAL DISEASES





WAGE EARNER

OCCUPATIONAL RISKS SYSTEM

ACCIDENTS AND OCCUPATIONAL DISEASES

UNIVERSAL HEALTH

CARE (employer and labor union-sponsored plans)

NON WORK RELATED DISEASES

PRIVATE
HEALTH
INSURANCE

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### **COVERAGE**

#### Work Accident

"All sudden and violent event occurred at work, working or traveling between the worker's home and the workplace"





## COVERAGE

### Occupational Diseases

KNOWN AND RATEABLES	UNKNOWN AND UNRATEABLE
On the list of Occupational	
Diseases, are financed by the	Recognized as such by the Medical
premium charged by the	Boards, are financed by the Trust
occupational risk insurance	Fund for Occupational Diseases
company	



#### **BENEFITS**

- Tools
- MONETARY BENEFIT
- Temporary disability (TD)

Declared average salary which was provided to social security.

Permanent disability (PD)

#### **PROVISORY**

Cases above 50%. Monthly rent. Until the declaration of permanent disability.

#### **DEFINITIVE**

- \* Up to 50%. One payment.
- \* Between 50% and 66%. One payment and monthly income for life.
- \* From 66% and more. One payment and monthly income in addition to providing pension.
- \* Death. Idem.

#### **BENEFITS**

Tools

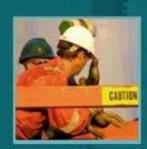
#### BENEFIT IN KIND

- Immediate attention of the injured worker.
- Referral to specialized centers, depending on complexity.
- Full coverage on medications, prosthetics and transfers (land and air).
- Rehabilitation.
- Requalification for work reintegration.
- Fast and timely payment of compensation.









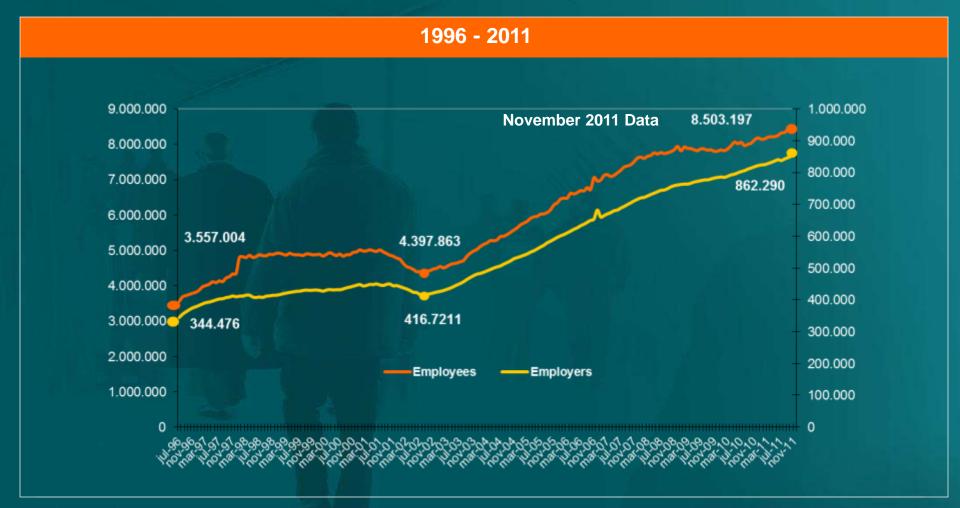
#### **PREVENTION**

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- Creation of specialized institutions with specific counseling duties. (Occupational Risk Insurance Company)
- Definition of roles of each interested party (Government, employers, workers and ORIC).
- Specific regulations by sector (agriculture, construction, mining, etc.)
- Register of incidents (incidents history of the company and the worker).
- Prices according to risks and incidents.
- Budget for research and training, among others.

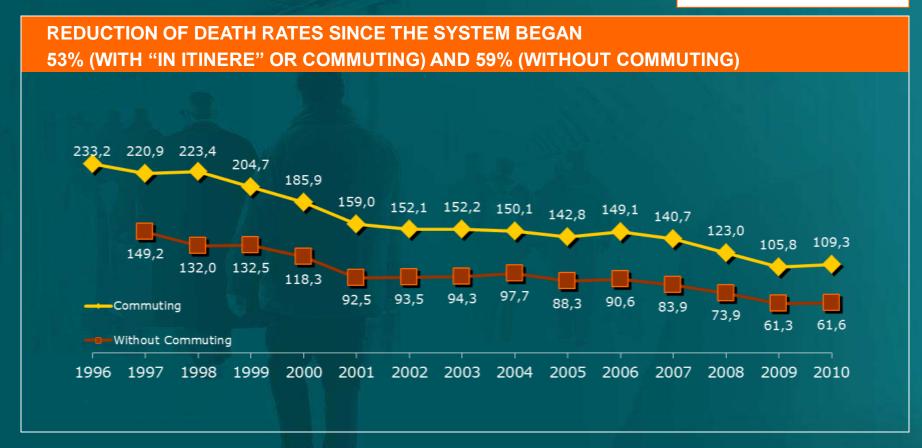
#### Coverage



Source: Data from SRT and UART.

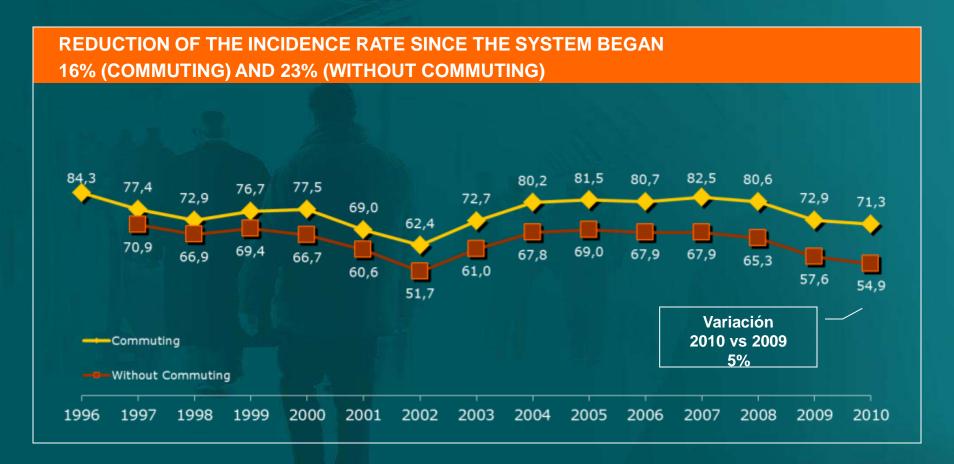
Evolution of death rates (1996 - 2010)

Represents 4.600 avoided deaths



Source: SRT.

Evolution of the incidence rate (1996 - 2010)

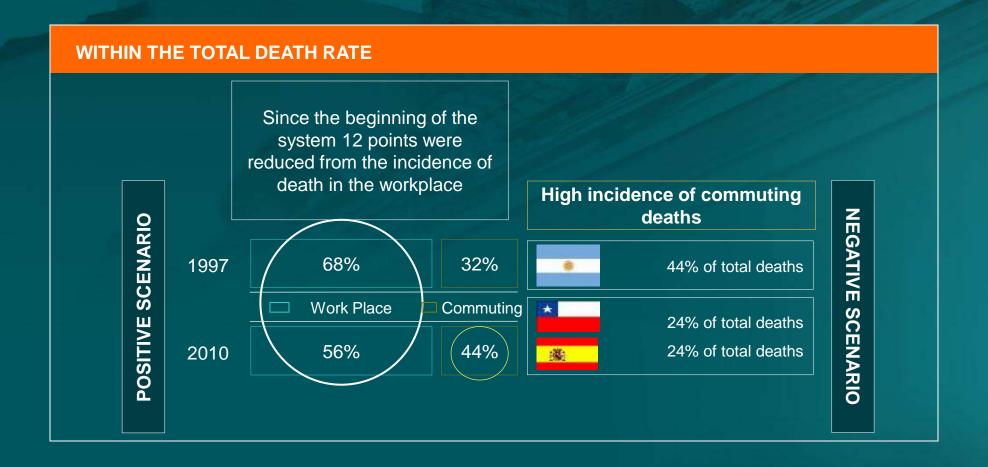


Source: SRT.

Evolution of GDP and rates of impact on occupational accidents and diseases (base rate 1997=100)



Participation of commuting accidents

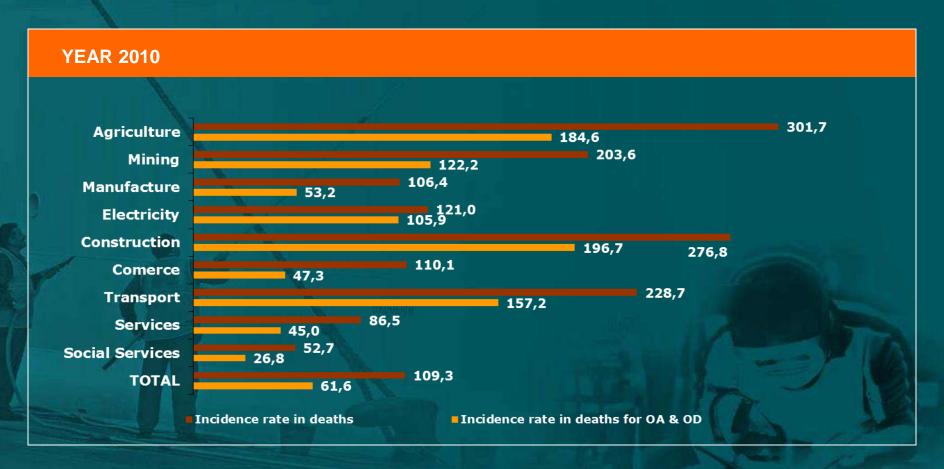


Incidence Rates



Source: SRT

Incidence rate in deaths



Source: SRT

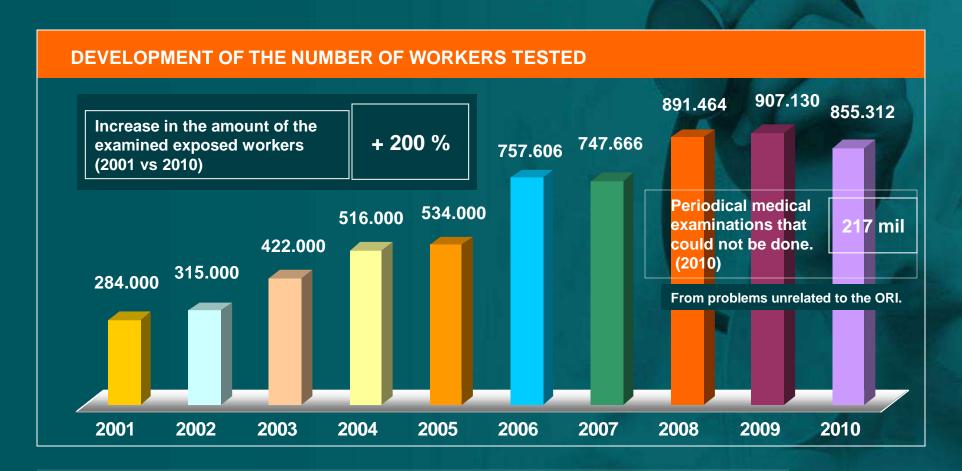
#### **ACCIDENT RATES INDICATORS**

Cases based on the characteristics of covered incidents



Fuente: UART en base a datos SRT.

Management in periodic medical examinations



Source: UART

Cost of coverage



Source: SRT & UART

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## THAT THE OCCUPATIONAL RISK SYSTEM WORKS MEANS THAT...

8.503.000

EMPLOYEES AND

862.000 COMPANIES

HAVE EFFECTIVE
COVERAGE



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## MORE THAN 600.000 EMPLOYEES PER YEAR RECEIVE INTEGRAL ATTENTION

#### **UNLIMITED TIME**



**Providers** 

**Transfers** 

Medicines

Prosthetics and

Orthotics

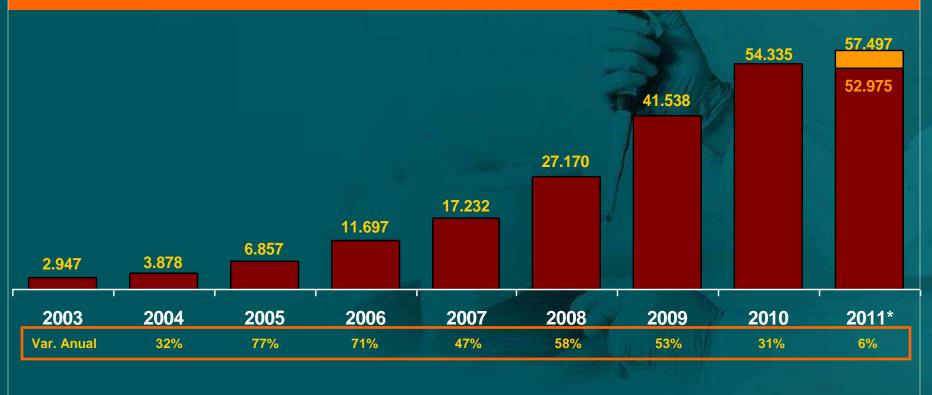
Rehabilitation

Requalification

### **CURRENT SITUATION**

Development of lawsuits

GROWTH OF THE OPERATING EXPENSES AND COVERAGE DUE TO CONFLICTUALITY (judicial and administrative)



<sup>\*</sup> Period January – November.

### **CURRENT SITUATION**

Requirements for a solution

### How do we get out from the current situation?



Safeguarding properly the current operation

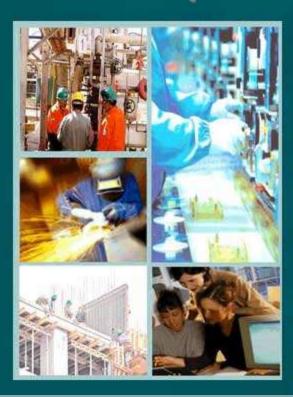
Reinstating certainty with a new standard that allows the insurability

By having a standard that is respected by the various courts of law

### **CURRENT SITUATION**

Requirements for a solution

## Basic requirements to be met by the new standard



**REPAIR** 

Predetermined formulas that are guaranteed by justice

**CONTINGENCIES** 

Clearly defined through the Baremo Scale and the List of Diseases

**PROCEDURES** 

Mandatory administrative procedure with legal sponsorship allowing the agility of benefits

**OBLIGATIONS** 

Accurate and executable for employers, workers, State and ORIC

## **THANK YOU**



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