OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH PROFESSIONALS AND ANALYSTS
SAVE THE DATE: MAY 15–16, 2013
LOCATION: BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS, WASHINGTON, D.C.

CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF SAFETY AND HEALTH DATA
BLS OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH STATISTICS

The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) Occupational Safety and Health Statistics (OSHS) Program will hold a special conference May 15–16, 2013, to celebrate 40 years of collecting and publishing data on work-related injuries, illnesses, and fatalities from the Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses (SOII) and Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries (CFOI). We look forward to having many of our colleagues in the health and safety community within government, private industry, labor, and academia join us for this celebratory occasion.

Conference Details

The conference will include keynote speeches from key data users, researchers, and stakeholders. There will also be presentations of papers by safety and health professionals and a poster session focused on unique and interesting uses of OSHS data. Exceptional papers will be considered for inclusion in a special issue of the BLS Monthly Labor Review following the conference. Additional conference details and information on submitting an abstract for presentation are available on the conference webpage at http://www.bls.gov/iif/osh40.htm.

Brief History of the OSHS Program

• 1970—Following passage of the Occupational Safety and Health Act, BLS was tasked with developing a comprehensive statistical system covering work-related injuries, illnesses, and fatalities in private industry.

• 1972—First year the SOII was conducted by BLS. The survey provided estimates of the number of nonfatal injuries and illnesses by industry.

• 1992—SOII estimates were expanded to include detailed case characteristics and worker demographics for cases that involved days away from work. CFOI was initiated to provide a complete annual count of all fatal work injuries.

• 2013—OSHS conference celebrating 40 years of SOII industry data, 20 years of SOII case and demographics data, and 20 years of CFOI data.