



## KCA TOOL BOX TALK: Backover Risk Prevention

A backover risk occurs when a vehicle, that is backing up, hits a worker who is kneeling, standing, or walking behind a vehicle. According to the Bureau of Labor statistics, "over 70 workers died from backover incidents in 2011". This hazardous situation can be prevented. Please review the tips below to help keep active worksites safe!

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### **Preventing Backovers:**

- ✓ Drivers must always have a spotter when they are backing up
- ✓ Always use vehicle cameras with in-vehicle display monitors when available
- ✓ If possible, use tag-based systems which a vehicle's driver is able to communicate with the tag worn by the employee behind them
- ✓ Pre-planned traffic controls can be used to separate employees on foot from moving vehicles
- ✓ Familiarize yourself with the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) [Blind Spots Diagrams](#) which can help explain what drivers of large trucks are able to see while backing up

For more information visit: [NIOSH Workplace Solutions](#)

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***Teamwork Improves Safety!***

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