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BY THE 2050S,

here's how many more heatwaves the following cities will have compared to the last century:



Heat stroke kills bakery staffer

DARREN YOURK

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A Weston-owned Barrie, Ont., bakery is under investigation by Ontario's Ministry of Labour after the death Monday of a 44-year-old worker.

Autopsy results released yesterday say Kim Warner died of heat stroke.

Cathy Walker, the health-and-safety director of the Canadian Auto Workers union, which represents the Crissa Bakery's 50 to 60 workers, said the CAW held a meeting with the workers on Saturday after receiving a number of complaints about poor working conditions at the plant.

DEATH INVESTIGATION

UPS driver dies day after turning 24; family warns other delivery workers of heatstroke concerns

On average, over 600 people die from complications related to extreme heat each year in the United States.



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LOS ANGELES -- The family of a UPS driver in Southern California believes he died from heatstroke after finishing his last delivery just a day after turning 24 years old.

Esteban Chavez Jr., of Downey, a city in Los Angeles County, was delivering packages in the Pasadena area on Saturday, June 25, when he collapsed.

Records show Pasadena hit temperatures in the upper 90s on that day.

According to the family, Esteban apparently passed out in his truck in the early afternoon.

Construction worker dies of heatstroke, investigation reveals

By Melissa F. Robit

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The *Commission des normes, de l'équité, de la santé et de la sécurité du travail* (CNESST) – the organization which administers Quebec's health and safety plan – has revealed the results of its investigation into the workplace death of Jean-Charles Junior Wapistan.

Wapistan, a manual faller for construction firm Tawich Inc., died of heatstroke on August 17, 2021, on a worksite in Micoua-Saguenay.

On the day of the accident, Wapistan was at the worksite and was busy clearing space for a future 735 kV electrical line. Working with two other employees, he needed to cut, delimb and fell the trees with a chainsaw, manually skid and then pick up the branches.

Unions call for maximum UK workplace temperature as heatwave descends

Staff should be given flexible working options and more breaks as heat approaches 40C, say union leaders



Madrid street sweeper's death prompts curbs on heatwave working hours



Reuters

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The death of a Madrid street-sweeper from heat stroke has prompted companies providing the service in the Spanish capital to adopt safety measures, including halting work during heatwaves, the Madrid mayor announced.

José Antonio Gonzalez, 60, died on Saturday after collapsing at work the previous day. Emergency services said his body temperature was close to 42 degrees Celsius and he died from heat stroke in the hospital.



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Name (if you want to disclose)

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...for every 1
Celsius degree
increase in
temperature,
younger
workers were
1% more likely
to be injured.

Humidex 1	Response	Humidex 2
25 – 29	supply water to workers on an “as needed” basis	32 – 35
30 – 33	post Heat Stress Alert notice; encourage workers to drink extra water; start recording hourly temperature and relative humidity	36 – 39
34 – 37	post Heat Stress Warning notice; notify workers that they need to drink extra water; ensure workers are trained to recognize symptoms	40 – 42
38 – 39	work with 15 minutes relief per hour can continue; provide adequate cool (10-15°C) water; at least 1 cup (240 mL) of water every 20 minutes worker with symptoms should seek medical attention	43 – 44
40 – 41	work with 30 minutes relief per hour can continue in addition to the provisions listed previously;	45 – 46*
42 – 44	if feasible, work with 45 minutes relief per hour can continue in addition to the provisions listed above.	47 – 49*
45 or over	only medically supervised work can continue	50* or over

Humidex calculator: http://www.ohcow.on.ca/edit/files/general_handouts/heat-stress-calculator.html

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