

# **NEW WEBSITE RESOURCES UPDATE**

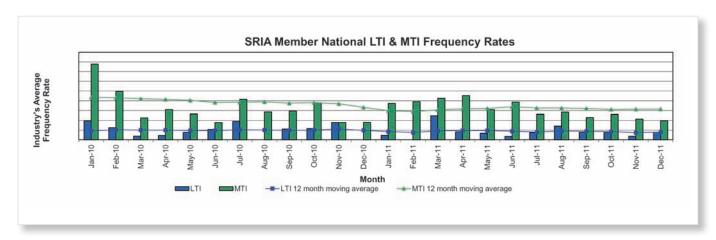
We are proud to announce that the new SRIA website is now live and offers an easy to navigate, up to date resource for industry professionals, educational institutions, students and other industry related associations. The website focuses on technical developments, research, presentations, seminars, support materials and publications on steel reinforcement. If you would like to keep up to date through our new on-line resource please register using the SRIA registration form over the page. Registration is free and your details will remain confidential (refer to our Privacy statement). Alternatively you can register directly on the website **www.sria.com.au** 

#### **MEMBER COMPANY SAFETY**

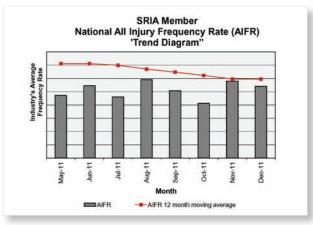
The Steel Reinforcement Institute of Australia (SRIA) membership represents the manufacture and processing of the vast majority of steel reinforcement used in construction in Australia and an Associate Member base covering supplementary materials required in construction solutions. Links to the SRIA Member and Associate Member companies can be found on the SRIA website at **www.sria.com.au** 

A dedicated SRIA National Safety Group meets quarterly around the country at members manufacturing premises. This group comprises the Safety Managers from each member Processor company and is chaired by SRIA's Executive Director. Members work together to share their collective knowledge to ensure the member companies have a consistent approach toward a safer work environment and awareness of safety issues within the reinforcement processing industry. The primary focus of the SRIA National Safety Group is to achieve a fatality proof industry.

The SRIA has been collecting and recording trend data and monitors National industry statistics on lost-time injuries (LTI's) and medically treated injuries (MTI's) since 2005, from participating members. This trend data enables each company to compare and benchmark their safety record against the National industry values. The steel reinforcement industry over a period of the last two years has recorded a drop of approximately 20% in the LTI frequency rate and a reduction of approximately 25% in the MTI frequency rate. This is an impressive achievement considering that the order of over 0.5 million man hours per month is accrued and is a reflection of the safety conscious companies the SRIA represents. The following graph of the indicative trend data depicts this significant accomplishment.



In January 2010 the SRIA started collecting and recording statistics on First Aid Injuries. As of May 2011 a significant number of members are contributing this data on a monthly basis. The First Aid Injury numbers, combined with LTI and MTI numbers, are now included in the comprehensive All Injury statistics. The trend diagram charting the All Injuries Frequency Rate (AIFR) shows a significant improvement over the months this data has been gathered and the trend is expected to continue.





## SERVICES SRIA PROVIDES

**Publications:** Written by experts in design, specification and construction SRIA publications are designed specifically for use by practicing engineers, architects, builders and government. Most are provided free of charge and can be downloaded from the website.

**Technical support:** A comprehensive technical advice service is available to the construction industry on the design and use of reinforcing steel in concrete. Activities are coordinated from the National Office in Sydney where professional staff respond to technical enquiries. Further specialised support is accessible through a broad network of experts.

**Office seminars:** SRIA staff regularly visit consulting engineers, specifiers and builders to discuss industry issues, projects and to further develop knowledge on the use of steel reinforcement and construction methods. Free in-house lectures are available on request.

**Special research:** Recent SRIA research projects include reinforcement bond tests and an extensive testing program for Class L mesh slabs. This important research is bringing the latest information and design requirements to practitioners.

**Industry leadership:** SRIA staff present technical papers at major national and international conferences on the latest advances in the use of steel-reinforced concrete. Copies of SRIA papers are available free of charge from the website.

**Professional development:** As part of its commitment to the future of Australia's building industry, the SRIA lectures at universities providing up-to-date design and specification materials free of charge to over 2,500 students every year.

**Awarding excellence:** The SRIA presents annual Undergraduate Award for Excellence in Reinforced Concrete Design. This is a cash prize for the student who gains the highest mark in the subject in which the SRIA lecture is delivered.

**Industry linkage:** The SRIA works collaboratively with like associations to develop areas supporting design, education and market development.

**Australian Standards:** The SRIA is committed to modern easy-to-use design standards for steel-reinforced concrete construction in Australia. The SRIA contributes to all related Australian Standards Code committees. SRIA staff will assist with queries regarding the interpretation of these standards.

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