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## **Supplemental Material**

### **Evaluation of the Impact of Ambient Temperatures on Occupational Injuries in Spain**

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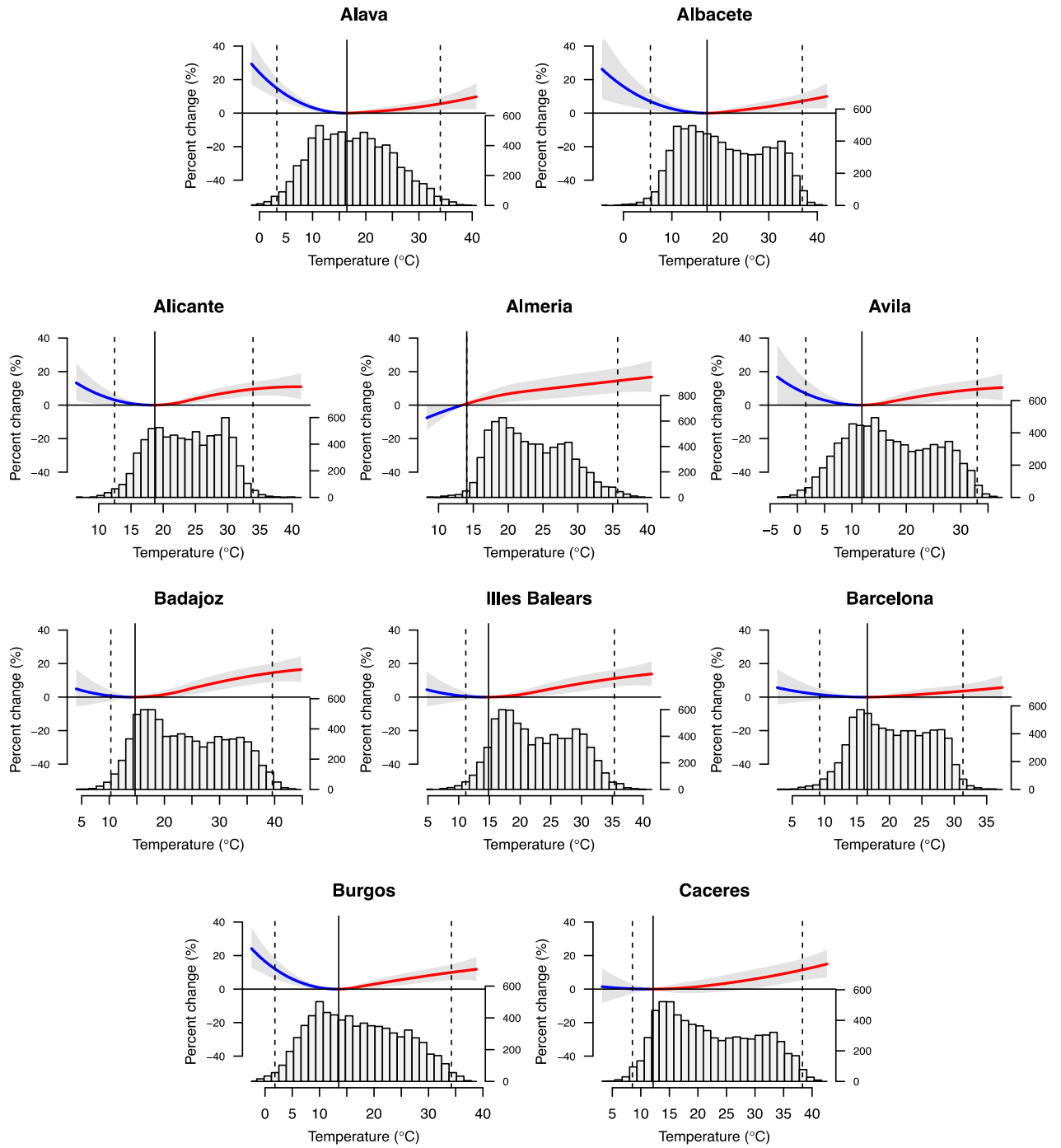


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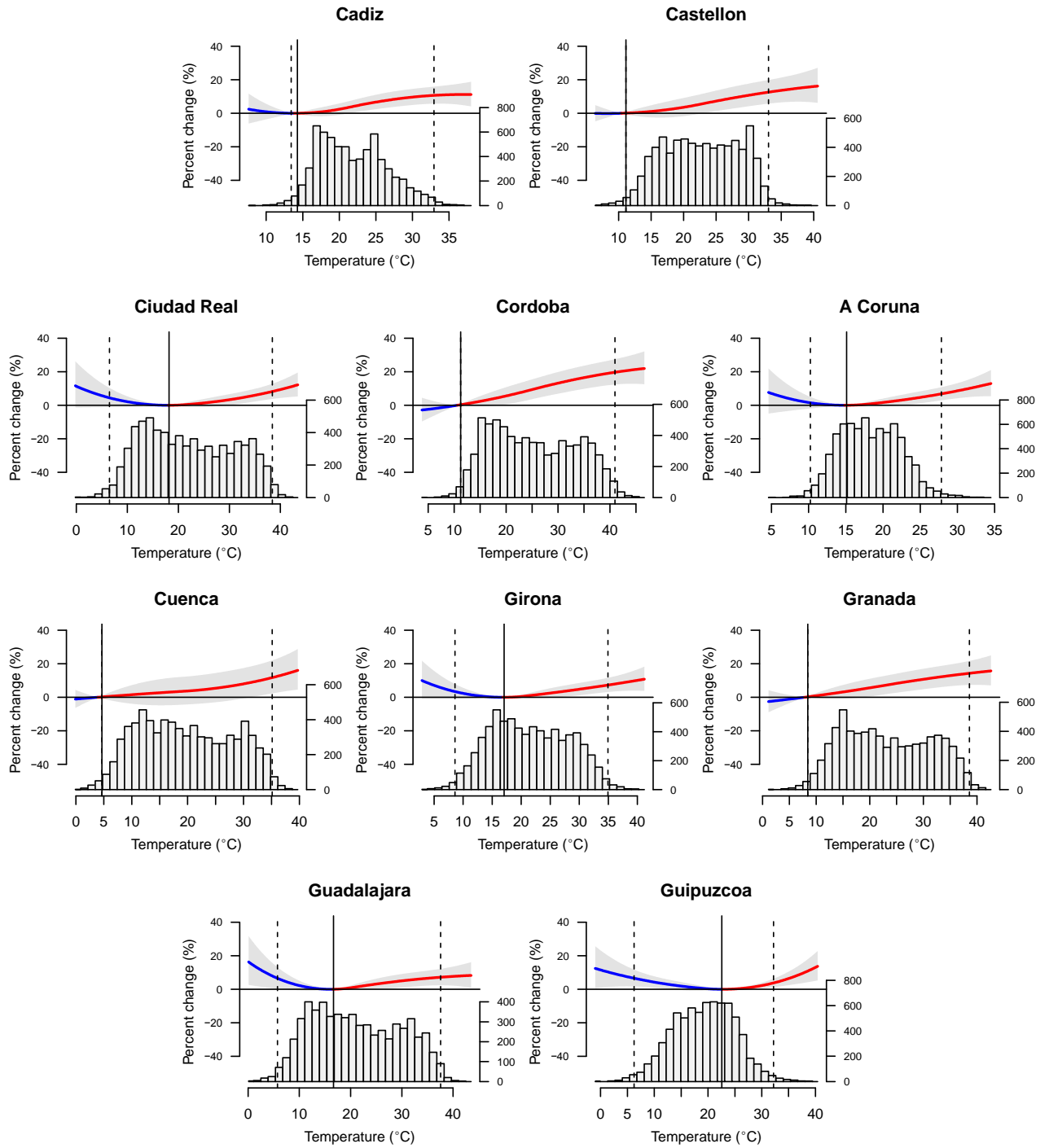


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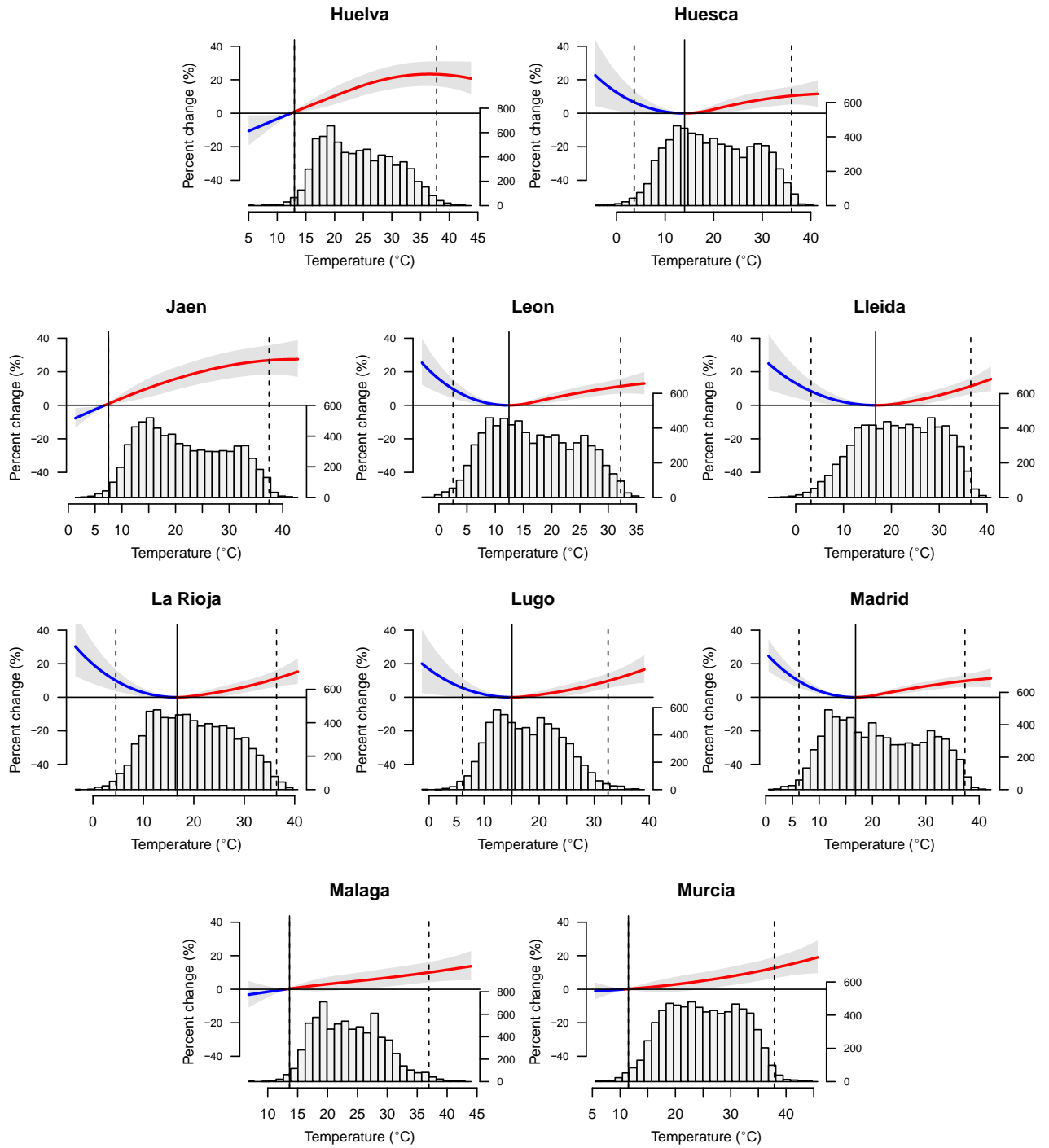


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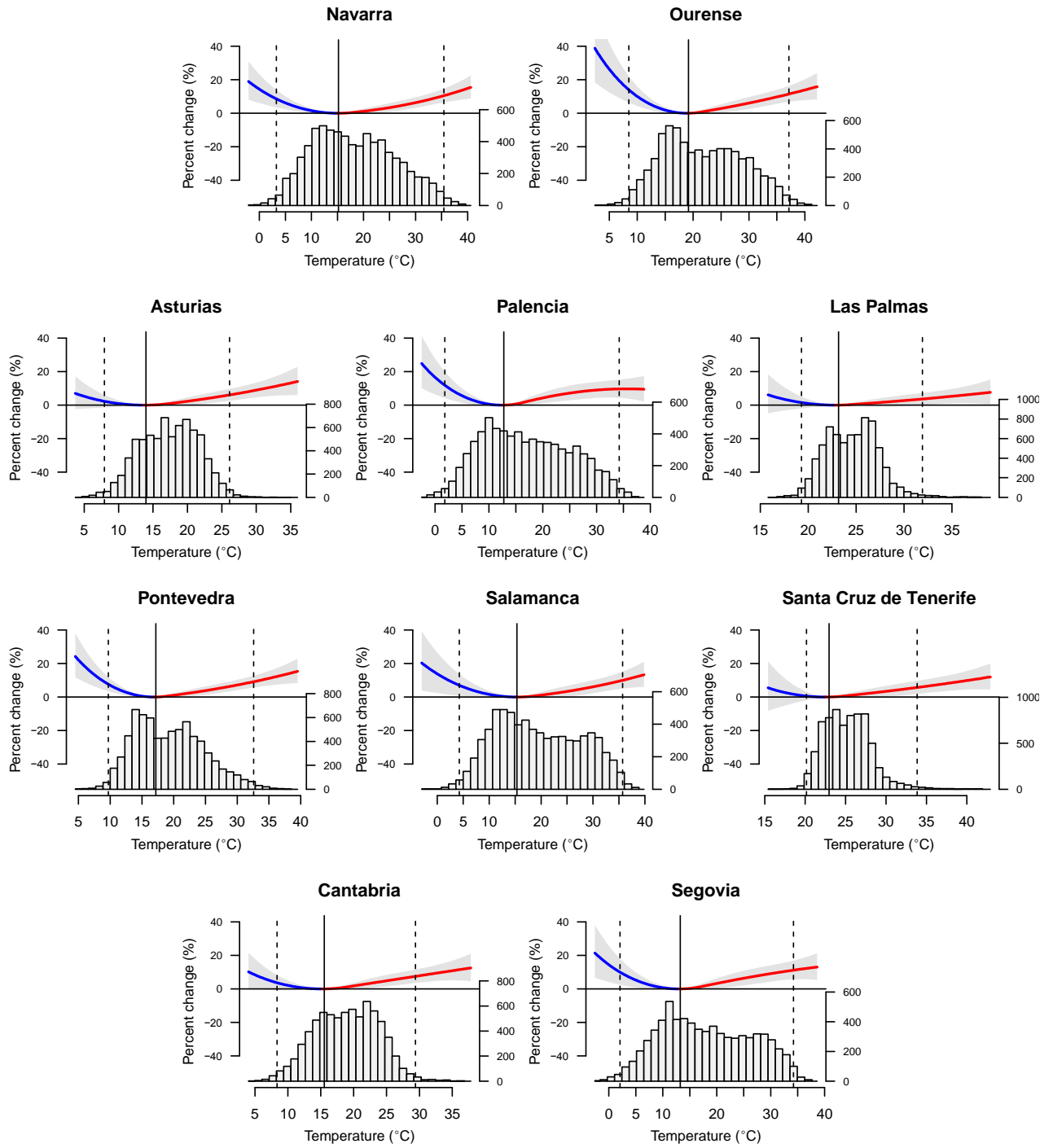
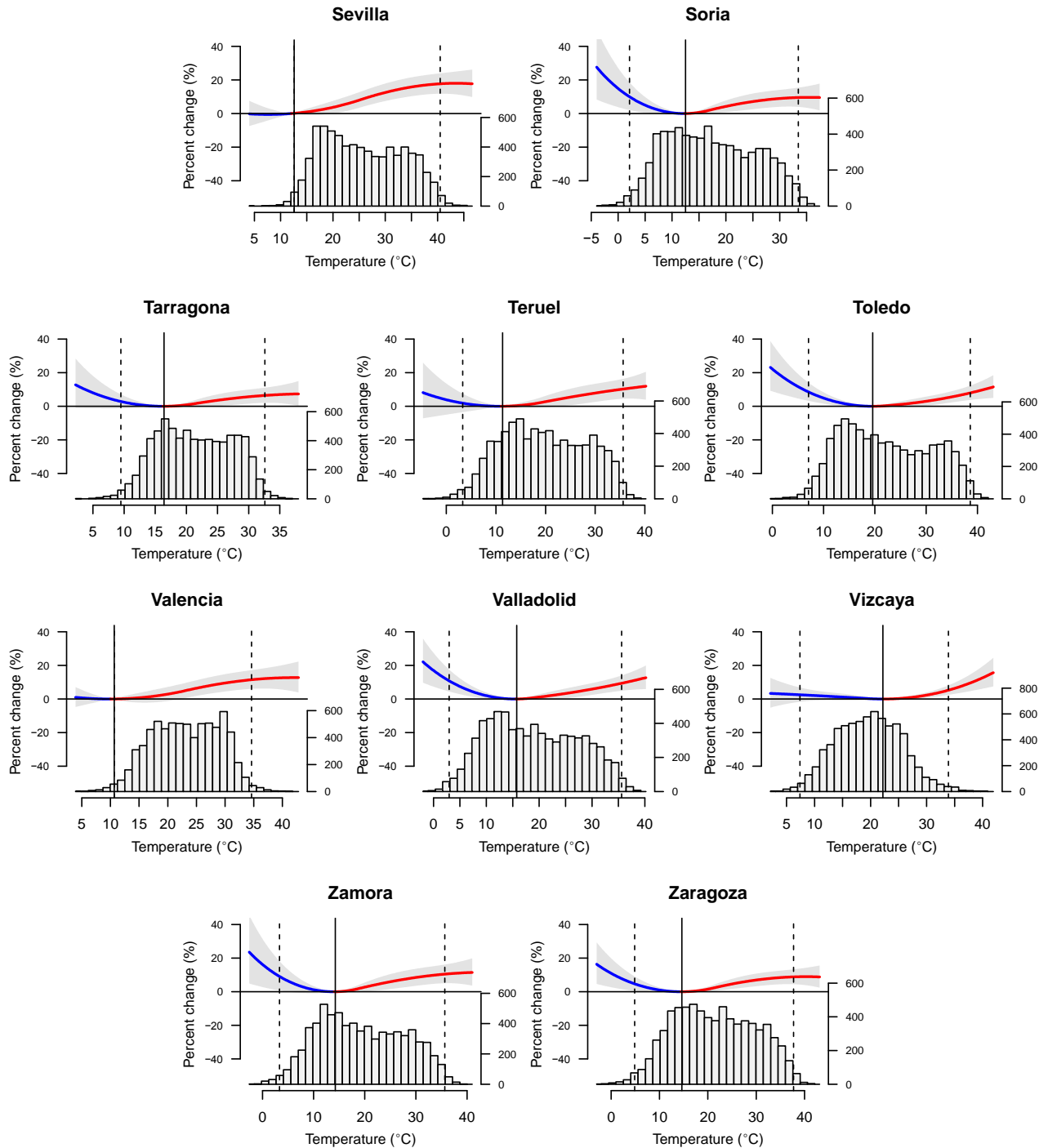


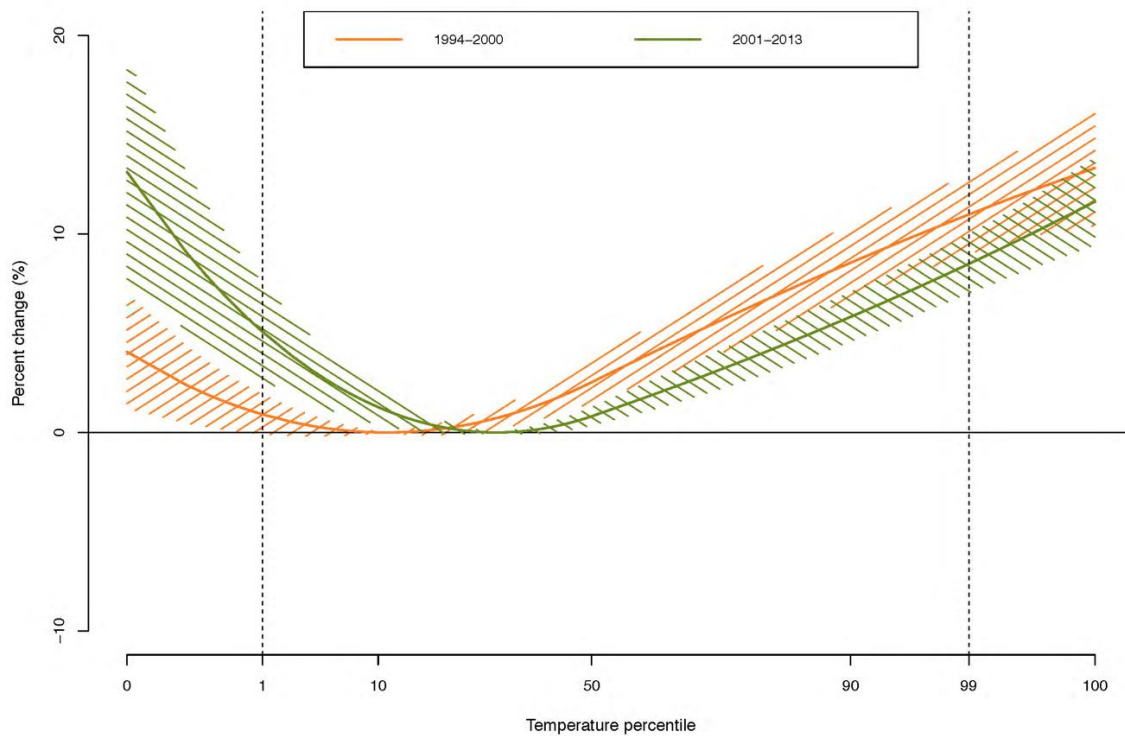
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**Figure S1. Overall cumulative exposure-response relationships in 50 Spanish provinces**

These relationships were derived from the best linear unbiased prediction (BLUP) with 95%CI of the overall cumulative exposure-response association. The BLUP is a compromise between the location-specific association (1<sup>st</sup> stage) and the pooled association (2<sup>nd</sup> stage). It is used to compensate areas reporting a small daily number of occupational injuries (with imprecise estimations) with areas reporting larger numbers and similar characteristics (Post et al. 2001; Gasparrini et al. 2012).

The minimum injury temperature and the 1st and 99th percentiles are represented by solid and dashed lines, respectively.

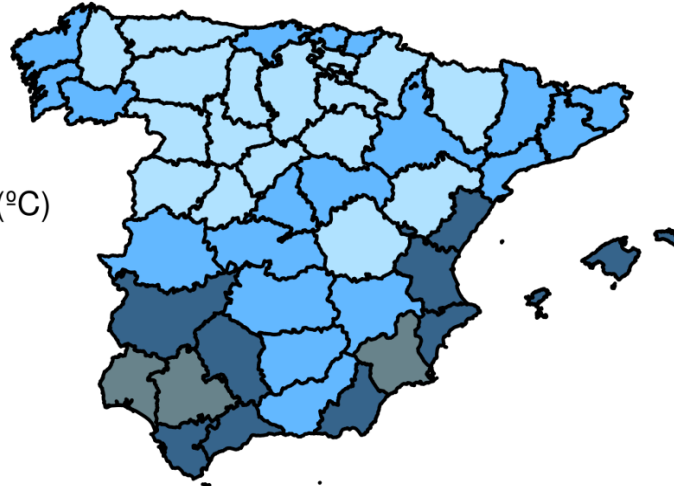
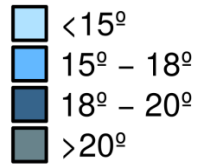


**Figure S2. Overall cumulative exposure-response relationships in Spain in two periods: 1994-2000 and 2001-2013**

Exposure-response association in percent difference (with 95% confidence interval – shaded) between ambient temperature and occupational injuries in Spain, in two periods: 1994-2000 (orange) and 2001-2013 (green). These two periods correspond to cutoff point of the implementation of occupational injury prevention programs. The relationship considers 4 days of lag. Dashed lines are temperature in the 1st and 99th percentiles.

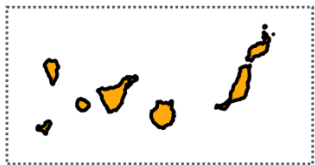
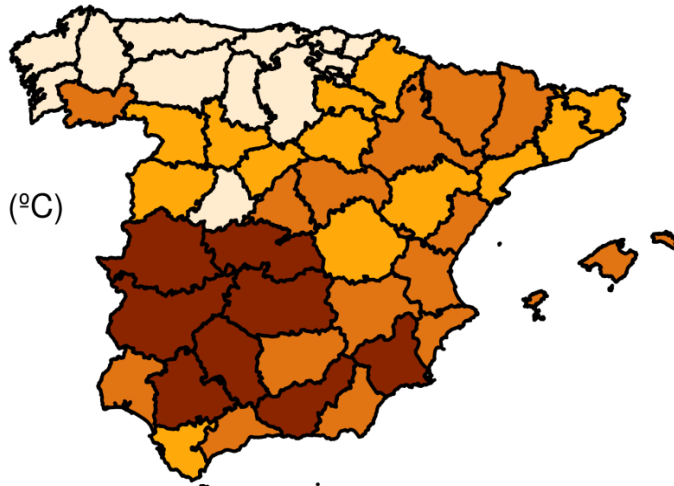
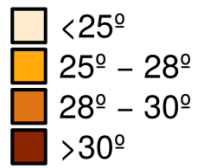
a.

Winter temperature (°C)



b.

Summer temperature (°C)



**Figure S3. Distribution of average of maximum temperatures in winter (a) and summer (b) by Spanish provinces, 1994-2013**

The winter period corresponds from the 1<sup>st</sup> of October until the 30<sup>th</sup> of April, while the summer period goes from the 1<sup>st</sup> of May until the 30<sup>th</sup> of September.



**Table S1. Descriptive statistics on daily number of occupational injuries and maximum temperature. Spanish Provinces (1994-2013)**

Province	Population (2001 census)	Total number of injuries	% of all injuries	Number of occupational injuries per day			Daily maximum temperature		
				Mean	Min	Max	Mean	Min	Max
Alava	286,387	161,933	1.0	22.2	0	89	17.5	-1.5	40.8
Albacete	364,835	135,482	0.8	18.5	0	135	21.1	-4.4	42.0
Alicante	1,461,925	515,148	3.2	70.5	0	286	23.5	6.5	41.4
Almeria	536,731	223,062	1.4	30.5	0	129	23.2	8.3	40.6
Avila	163,442	30,954	0.2	4.2	0	20	17.2	-3.7	37.6
Badajoz	654,882	171,110	1.1	23.4	0	98	24.0	4.0	44.8
Illes Balears	841,669	480,101	3.0	65.7	0	199	22.7	4.8	41.4
Barcelona	4,805,927	2,301,523	14.4	315.1	2	1,262	20.7	2.7	37.4
Burgos	348,934	137,648	0.9	18.8	0	72	17.0	-2.5	38.8
Caceres	403,621	94,340	0.6	12.9	0	64	22.2	3.2	42.6
Cadiz	1,116,491	376,959	2.4	51.6	0	157	21.9	7.6	38.0
Castellon	484,566	208,478	1.3	28.5	0	136	22.7	6.4	40.6
Ciudad Real	478,957	158,359	1.0	21.7	0	95	22.1	-0.2	43.4
Cordoba	761,657	241,416	1.5	33.0	0	113	25.3	3.8	46.6
A Coruna	1,096,027	338,916	2.1	46.4	0	207	18.2	4.6	34.5
Cuenca	200,346	54,289	0.3	7.4	0	50	19.8	-0.1	39.7
Girona	565,304	280,846	1.8	38.4	0	150	21.5	2.9	41.2
Granada	821,660	218,203	1.4	29.9	0	127	23.3	1.1	42.6
Guadalajara	174,999	80,503	0.5	11.0	0	50	21.2	0.1	43.5
Guipuzcoa	673,563	264,108	1.7	36.2	0	149	19.3	-1.0	40.4
Huelva	462,579	186,828	1.2	25.6	0	90	24.2	5.0	43.8
Huesca	206,502	62,694	0.4	8.6	0	31	20.1	-4.4	41.4
Jaen	643,820	175,833	1.1	24.1	0	80	21.7	1.3	42.8
Leon	488,751	177,392	1.1	24.3	0	92	16.9	-3.0	36.4
Lleida	362,206	158,327	1.0	21.7	0	77	21.8	-5.8	40.8
La Rioja	276,702	103,747	0.6	14.2	0	59	19.9	-3.5	40.6
Lugo	357,648	82,339	0.5	11.3	0	40	17.8	-1.4	39.1
Madrid	5,423,384	2,265,782	14.2	310.2	3	1,196	21.3	0.5	42.2
Malaga	1,287,017	491,705	3.1	67.3	0	230	23.5	6.8	44.0
Murcia	1,197,646	504,135	3.2	69.0	0	310	25.1	5.5	45.7
Navarra	555,829	239,352	1.5	32.8	0	142	18.2	-2.1	40.6
Ourense	338,446	75,517	0.5	10.3	0	50	21.8	2.4	42.2
Asturias	1,062,998	404,968	2.5	55.4	0	305	17.2	3.7	36.0
Palencia	174,143	52,722	0.3	7.2	0	34	17.0	-2.5	38.8
Las Palmas	887,676	416,609	2.6	57.0	1	215	24.4	15.8	39.0
Pontevedra	903,759	341,550	2.1	46.8	0	170	19.2	4.5	39.5
Salamanca	345,609	81,057	0.5	11.1	0	43	19.5	-3.0	39.8

Province	Population (2001 census)	Total number of injuries	% of all injuries	Number of occupational injuries per day			Daily maximum temperature		
				Mean	Min	Max	Mean	Min	Max
Santa Cruz de Tenerife	806,801	328,268	2.1	44.9	0	179	24.9	15.4	42.9
Cantabria	535,131	176,444	1.1	24.2	0	83	18.8	4.0	37.8
Segovia	147,694	43,966	0.3	6.0	0	37	18.1	-2.6	38.6
Sevilla	1,727,603	614,930	3.8	84.2	0	269	25.7	4.0	46.6
Soria	90,717	30,397	0.2	4.2	0	34	17.5	-4.0	37.4
Tarragona	609,673	266,332	1.7	36.5	0	163	21.5	2.2	38.0
Teruel	135,858	40,725	0.3	5.6	0	27	19.8	-4.8	40.2
Toledo	541,379	233,472	1.5	32.0	0	126	22.5	-0.4	43.1
Valencia	2,216,285	1,017,410	6.4	139.3	1	657	23.2	3.9	42.8
Valladolid	498,094	152,836	1.0	20.9	0	75	18.9	-2.0	40.2
Vizcaya	1,122,637	450,183	2.8	61.6	0	235	19.5	2.1	41.9
Zamora	199,090	39,552	0.2	5.4	0	24	19.3	-2.6	41.0
Zaragoza	861,855	303,860	1.9	41.6	0	169	21.5	-3.0	43.1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>40,709,455</b>	<b>15,992,310</b>	-	<b>2,189</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>8,018</b>	<b>20.9</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>37.0</b>

**Table S2. Daily variation in maximum temperature within four Spanish provinces**

Data from January 1983 to December 2006 in four Spanish provinces. The capital of each province was also included in the list of stations.

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Province	Number of stations	Maximum temperature correlation		Minimum temperature correlation	
		Range	Mean	Range	Mean
Barcelona	21	[0.89 - 1.00]	0.95	[0.86 - 1.00]	0.95
Girona	16	[0.87 - 1.00]	0.95	[0.82 - 1.00]	0.93
Lleida	15	[0.86 - 1.00]	0.94	[0.83 - 1.00]	0.94
Tarragona	14	[0.89 - 1.00]	0.95	[0.87 - 1.00]	0.95

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**Table S3. Sensitivity analyses**

Computed on the percent difference (%), the percentile of minimum occupational injuries, and the fraction (%) attributable to temperature (total, cold, and heat components), by varying modelling choices, fitting the models to all occupational injuries.

Modelling choices	COLD EFFECTS	PMOI	HOT EFFECTS	ATTRIBUTABLE FRACTION		
	1st vs PMOI (%)		99th vs PMOI (%)	Total (%)	Cold (%)	Heat (%)
Main model	4 (2-6)	27	9 (8-11)	2.72 (2.44-2.97)	0.32 (0.24-0.38)	2.40 (2.09-2.68)
Knots for exposure-response: 33rd and 66th percentiles	4 (2-6)	25	9 (7-11)	2.93 (2.62-3.22)	0.36 (0.27-0.44)	2.57 (2.23-2.89)
Knots for exposure-response: 25th and 75th percentiles	4 (2-6)	20	9 (7-11)	2.91 (2.54-3.23)	0.32 (0.24-0.39)	2.59 (2.20-2.94)
Knots for exposure-response: 25th, 50th and 75th percentiles	4 (2-6)	22	9 (7-11)	3.18 (2.85-3.47)	0.43 (0.34-0.51)	2.75 (2.40-3.07)
Lag period: 5	4 (2-6)	29	9 (8-11)	2.94 (2.60-3.26)	0.33 (0.24-0.42)	2.61 (2.24-2.95)
Lag period: 7	4 (2-7)	32	8 (7-10)	3.01 (2.36-3.54)	0.56 (0.38-0.72)	2.44 (1.84-2.97)
Df/year for seasonal control: 6	4 (2-6)	28	8 (6-9)	2.69 (2.40-2.95)	0.42 (0.33-0.50)	2.28 (1.98-2.54)
Df/year for seasonal control: 10	5 (3-7)	29	8 (7-9)	2.66 (2.44-2.86)	0.37 (0.29-0.43)	2.29 (2.04-2.53)
<b>Exposure</b>						
Mean temperature	6 (4-8)	35	9 (8-10)	2.31 (2.18-2.42)	0.52 (0.46-0.59)	1.78 (1.63-1.91)
Minimum temperature	8 (6-10)	50	5 (4-6)	1.86 (1.72-1.98)	0.78 (0.71-0.83)	1.08 (0.97-1.18)

PMOI: percentile of minimum occupational injuries

**Table S4. Percent difference (95% Confidence Intervals) for the relationship between extreme cold - hot ambient temperatures and occupational injuries in Spain (1994-2013)**

Workers' characteristics	Total number of injuries	% of all injuries	COLD EFFECTS	PMOI	HOT EFFECTS	p-value <sup>b</sup>
			1st vs PMOI (%)		99th vs PMOI (%)	
<b>Overall</b>	<b>15,992,310</b>	-	4 (2-6)*	27	9 (8-11)*	-
<b>Sex</b>						
Women	3,568,753	22.32	11 (8-5)*	42	5 (2-7)*	<0.000
Men	12,423,557	77.68	3 (1-5)*	23	9 (7-12)*	
<b>Age group</b>						
≤24	2,894,904	18.10	0 (-1-2)	10	11 (8-14)*	<0.000
25-34	5,092,208	31.84	3 (1-5)*	26	7 (5-10)*	
35-54	6,773,912	42.36	6 (4-8)*	30	8 (5-10)*	
≥55	1,231,286	7.70	2 (9-15)*	36	6 (3-10)*	
<b>Nationality<sup>a</sup></b>						
Spanish	7,593,356	88.01	7 (4-10)*	34	7 (4-10)*	0.144
Other	869,802	10.08	2 (-1-5)	17	9 (4-14)*	
Unknown	164,503	1.91				
<b>Type of contract</b>						
Permanent	7,640,135	47.77	7 (5-9)*	34	7 (5-9)*	0.022
Temporary	7,890,694	49.34	3 (1-5)*	22	9 (7-12)*	
Other <sup>(1)</sup>	296,106	1.85	3 (1-5)*	27	6 (3-8)*	
<b>Selected economic sectors</b>						
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	741,292	4.64	-5 (-8- -2)	10	29 (23-36)*	<0.000
Construction	3,546,754	22.18	2 (0-4)	20	9 (6-12)*	

Workers' characteristics	Total number of injuries	% of all injuries	COLD EFFECTS	PMOI	HOT EFFECTS	p-value <sup>b</sup>
			1st vs PMOI (%)		99th vs PMOI (%)	
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply <sup>(2)</sup>	37,012	0.23	10 (-4-25)	88	1 (-6-10)*	
Extractive industries <sup>(3)</sup>	218,184	1.36	1 (-4-5)	10	13 (5-21)*	
Waste collection, treatment and removal <sup>(4)</sup>	151,374	0.95	1 (-3-6)	17	12 (4-20)*	
Transport and storage	941,369	5.89	11 (8-14)*	38	8 (4-11)*	
Hotel industry	976,342	6.11	5 (2-7)*	35	10 (7-13)*	
Manufacturing	4,023,643	25.16	5 (3-8)*	36	4 (2-7)*	
<b>Type on injury</b>						
Superficial injuries	4,473,748	27.97	4 (2-5)*	22	12 (10-15)*	
Bone fractures, strains and sprains	10,062,448	62.92	4 (2-7)*	31	5 (3-7)*	
Internal injuries and contusions	529,667	3.31	5 (1-9)*	32	3 (-2-7)	
Burns and frostbite	256,052	1.60	6 (2-10)*	17	61 (51-71)*	
Choking and asphyxia <sup>(5)</sup>	12,186	0.08	-3 (-19-16)	10	21 (-24-92)	
Effects of extreme temperatures <sup>(6)</sup>	15,580	0.10	-5 (-22-16)	10	81 (22-169)*	
Psychological damages and traumatic events <sup>(7)</sup>	18,997	0.12	-1 (-21-23)	90	-11 (-23-5)	<0.000
Multiple injuries	235,835	1.47	17 (12-23)*	38	16 (8-24)*	
Heart attack, stroke and non traumatic pathologies <sup>(8)</sup>	27,655	0.17	1 (-8-10)	10	11 (-7-33)	
Other injuries <sup>(9)</sup>	360,142	2.25	-3 (-21-18)	10	23 (-26-3)	
<b>Duration of leave (days)</b>						
<4	1,766,077	11.04	8 (5-11)*	46	3 (0-6)	<0.000

Workers' characteristics	Total number of injuries	% of all injuries	COLD EFFECTS	PMOI	HOT EFFECTS	p-value <sup>b</sup>
			1st vs PMOI (%)		99th vs PMOI (%)	
4-15	7,388,886	46.20	4 (2-6)*	29	8 (5-10)*	
16-60	5,706,709	35.68	4 (1-6)*	22	10 (8-13)*	
>60	1,130,638	7.07	9 (6-13)*	33	9 (6-12)*	
<b>Workers' occupational class</b>						
Non-manual workers	1,506,913	9.42	18 (13-22)*	39	9 (5-12)*	<0.000
Manual workers	13,072,003	81.74	3 (1-5)*	27	6 (3-8)*	

PMOI: percentile of minimum occupational injuries

<sup>a</sup> Data available since 2003

<sup>b</sup> Results from a multivariate Wald-test

Some provinces were excluded from the model due to convergence problems. <sup>(1)</sup> 22 provinces; <sup>(2)</sup> 7 provinces; <sup>(3)</sup> 3 provinces; <sup>(4)</sup> 5 provinces; <sup>(5)</sup> 36 provinces; <sup>(6)</sup> 26 provinces; <sup>(7)</sup> 8 provinces; <sup>(8)</sup> 11 provinces; <sup>(9)</sup> 8 provinces

\* p-value<0.05

**Table S5. Percent difference (95% Confidence Intervals) for the relationship between extreme cold - hot ambient temperatures and occupational injuries in Spain (1994-2013). Economic sectors and sex / age**

Workers' characteristics		Total number of work-injuries	% of all injuries	% of injuries in the economic sector	COLD EFFECTS	PMOI	HOT EFFECTS
					1st vs PMOI (%)		99th vs PMOI (%)
<b>Selected economic sectors and sex</b>							
Agriculture, forestry and fishing							
	Women	143,589	0.9	19.37	0 (-6 - 7)	10	30 (20 - 42)
	Men	597,703	3.74	80.63	-7 (-10--4)	10	30 (25 - 36)
Construction							
	Women	66,062	0.41	1.86	-	-	-
	Men	3,480,692	21.76	98.14	-	-	-
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply							
	Women	2,254	0.01	6.09	-	-	-
	Men	34,758	0.22	93.91	-	-	-
Extractive industries							
	Women	5,679	0.04	2.60	-	-	-
	Men	212,505	1.33	97.40	-	-	-
Waste collection, treatment and removal							
	Women	22,723	0.14	15.01	-	-	-
	Men	128,651	0.8	84.99	-	-	-
Transport and storage							
	Women	125,580	0.79	13.34	-	-	-
	Men	815,789	5.1	86.66	-	-	-
Hotel industry							
	Women	479,811	3	49.14	5 (1 - 9)	52	8 (4 - 11)
	Men	496,531	3.1	50.86	4 (1 - 8)	58	12 (8 - 16)
Manufacturing							
	Women	538,167	3.37	13.38	-	-	-



Workers' characteristics		Total number of work-injuries	% of all injuries	% of injuries in the economic sector	COLD EFFECTS	PMOI	HOT EFFECTS
					1st vs PMOI (%)		99th vs PMOI (%)
	Men	3,485,476	21.79	86.62	-	-	-
<b>Selected economic sectors and age group</b>							
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	≤24 <sup>(1)</sup>	125,439	0.78	16.92	-9 (-16 - -3)	10	34 (21 - 47)
	25-34	204,839	1.28	27.63	-7 (-11 - -3)	10	29 (20 - 38)
	35-54	333,222	2.08	44.95	-6 (-9 - -3)	10	31 (24 - 38)
	≥55	77,792	0.49	10.49	-3 (-9 - 3)	10	35 (23 - 48)
Construction	≤24	703,393	4.4	19.83	-1 (-3 - 1)	10	14 (10 - 18)
	25-34	1,191,964	7.45	33.61	0 (-1 - 2)	10	10 (7 - 13)
	35-54	1,416,791	8.86	39.95	2 (0 - 4)	19	9 (7 - 12)
	≥55	234,606	1.47	6.61	7 (2 - 12)	35	7 (2 - 12)
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	≤24	4,469	0.03	12.07	-	-	-
	25-34	10,021	0.06	27.08	-	-	-
	35-54	18,879	0.12	51.01	-	-	-
	≥55	3,643	0.02	9.84	-	-	-
Extractive industries	≤24	15,348	0.1	7.03	-	-	-
	25-34	64,549	0.4	29.58	-	-	-
	35-54	131,600	0.82	60.32	-	-	-
	≥55	6,687	0.04	3.06	-	-	-
Waste collection, treatment and removal	≤24	13,190	0.08	8.71	-	-	-
	25-34	41,986	0.26	27.74	-	-	-

Workers' characteristics		Total number of work-injuries	% of all injuries	% of injuries in the economic sector	COLD EFFECTS	PMOI	HOT EFFECTS
					1st vs PMOI (%)		99th vs PMOI (%)
	35-54	81,416	0.51	53.78	-	-	-
	≥55	14,782	0.09	9.77	-	-	-
Transport and storage	≤24 <sup>(2)</sup>	104,483	0.65	11.10	3 (-2 - 9)	18	22 (13 - 32)
	25-34	305,261	1.91	32.43	5 (2 - 9)	43	5 (0 - 11)
	35-54	459,276	2.87	48.79	12 (9 - 16)	40	8 (5 - 12)
	≥55 <sup>(3)</sup>	72,349	0.45	7.69	16 (8 - 25)	37	8 (-5 - 23)
Hotel industry	≤24	228,012	1.43	23.35	2 (-3 - 6)	26	15 (10 - 21)
	25-34	307,995	1.93	31.55	7 (3 - 10)	29	10 (5 - 15)
	35-54	380,377	2.38	38.96	2 (-1 - 6)	54	8 (4 - 12)
	≥55 <sup>(4)</sup>	59,958	0.37	6.14	11 (3 - 21)	49	2 (-8 - 13)
Manufacturing	≤24	768,375	4.8	19.10	1 (-2 - 3)	18	8 (4 - 12)
	25-34	1,282,353	8.02	31.87	4 (1 - 6)	37	5 (2 - 8)
	35-54	1,658,602	10.37	41.22	6 (4 - 8)	36	6 (3 - 8)
	≥55	314,313	1.97	7.81	11 (8 - 15)	40	6 (1 - 12)

PMOI: percentile of minimum occupational injuries

Those economic sectors with more than 85% of injuries registered among male workers have been excluded from the analyses due to the failure to check sex differences.

Some provinces were excluded from the model due to convergence problems. <sup>(1)</sup> 1 province; <sup>(2)</sup> 6 provinces; <sup>(3)</sup> 2 provinces; <sup>(4)</sup> 8 provinces

**Table S6. Percent difference (95% Confidence Intervals) for the relationship between extreme cold - hot ambient temperatures and occupational injuries in Spain in two periods: 1994-2000 and 2001-2013.**

<b>Period</b>	<b>COLD EFFECTS 1st vs PMOI (%)</b>	<b>PMOI</b>	<b>HOT EFFECTS 99th vs PMOI (%)</b>
Total period (1994-2013)	4 (2-6)	27	9 (8-11)
Period 1994-2000	1 (0-2)	11	11 (9-13)
Period 2001-2013	5 (3-8)	33	8 (7-10)

These two periods correspond to cutoff point of the implementation of occupational injury prevention programs.

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