

Fatal occupational injuries, primary characteristics table, Texas, 2003

Characteristic	Total
<b>Total:</b>	<b>491</b>
<b>Employee status:</b>	
Wage and salary workers	375
Self-employed	116
<b>Gender:</b>	
Men	450
Women	41
<b>Age:</b>	
Under 16 years	3
16 to 17 years	--
18 to 19 years	5
20 to 24 years	46
25 to 34 years	89
35 to 44 years	136
45 to 54 years	113
55 to 64 years	63
65 years and over	34
<b>Race or ethnic origin<sup>1</sup>:</b>	
White, non-Hispanic	252
Black, non-Hispanic	54
Hispanic	163
American Indian, Aleut, Eskimo	--
Asian	20
Pacific Islander	--
Multiple races	--
Other or not reported	--
<b>Event or exposure:</b>	
Contact with objects and equipment	70
Struck by object	44
Struck by falling object	29
Caught in or compressed by equipment or objects	13
Caught in running equipment or machinery	5
Falls	52
Fall to lower level	47
Fall from ladder	12
Fall from roof	12
Fall from scaffold, staging	5
Exposure to harmful substances or environments	51
Contact with electric current	36
Exposure to caustic, noxious, or allergenic substances	9
Oxygen deficiency (including drowning)	--
Transportation incidents	201
Highway incidents	118
Collision between vehicles, mobile equipment	61
Non-collision incidents	23
Non-highway incident, except rail, air, water	8
Overturned	3
Worker struck by vehicle, mobile equipment	32
Aircraft incidents	29
Fires and explosions	27
Assaults and violent acts	90
Homicides	69
Self inflicted injuries	18
Other or not reported	--

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<b>Primary source<sup>2</sup>:</b>	
Vehicles	210
Highway vehicles	153
Automobiles	19
Trucks	117
Plant and industrial powered vehicles, tractors	17
Forklifts	10
Tractors	7
Structures and surfaces	66
Floors, walkways, ground surfaces	52
Machinery	28
Agriculture and garden machinery	--
Construction, logging, and mining machinery	7
Material handling machinery	11
Parts and materials	45
Machine, tool, and electric parts	23
Persons, plants, animals, and minerals	16
Persons -other than injured worker	3
Robber	--
Co-worker, former co-worker	--
Trees, logs	6
Chemicals and chemical products	8
Tools, instruments, and equipment	11
Containers	5
Other	102
Bullets and pellets	65
Fire, flame, smoke	18
<b>Secondary source<sup>3</sup>:</b>	
Vehicles	89
Highway vehicles	74
Plant and industrial powered vehicles, tractors	4
Structures and surfaces	75
Floors, walkways, ground surfaces	10
Structures	40
Machinery	32
Parts and materials	27
Machine, tool, and electric parts	13
Persons, plants, animals, and minerals	78
Persons -other than injured worker	67
Robber	36
Co-worker, former co-worker	8
Trees, logs	6
Chemicals and chemical products	20
Tools, instruments, and equipment	26
Containers	10
Other	25
Liquids (including water)	15
No secondary source	109

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Characteristic	Total
<b>Nature:</b>	
Intracranial injuries	87
Other traumatic injuries	111
Internal injuries	40
Asphyxiations, suffocations	15
Drownings	10
Electrocutions	36
Poisonings, toxic effects	10
Open wounds	75
Gunshot wounds	65
Burns (heat, chemical, etc.)	18
Multiple traumatic injuries	185
Intracranial injuries and injuries to internal organs	31
<b>Part of body:</b>	
Head	116
Trunk	67
Chest	31
Back	7
Neck	7
Lower extremities	3
Upper extremities	--
Body systems	73
Multiple	225
<b>Worker activity:</b>	
Vehicular and transportation operations	204
Using or operating tools, machinery	44
Constructing, repairing, cleaning	126
Protective service activities	13
Materials handling operations	24
Physical activities	14
Other activities	66
Tending a retail establishment	38
Not reported	--
<b>Location:</b>	
Private residence	31
Farm	17
Mine, quarry	--
Industrial place and premises	154
Place for recreation or sports	6
Street and highway	161
Public building	66
Residential institutions	3
Other or not reported	52

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<b>Occupation:</b>	
Management occupations	22
Business and financial operations occupations	--
Computer and mathematical occupations	--
Architecture and Engineering occupations	6
Life, physical, and social science occupations	--
Community and social services occupations	--
Legal occupations	--
Education, training, and library occupations	--
Arts, design, entertainment, sports, and media occupations	--
Healthcare practitioners and technical occupations	4
Healthcare support occupations	3
Protective service occupations	24
Food preparation and serving related occupations	11
Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations	12
Personal care and service occupations	5
Sales and related occupations	52
Office and administrative support occupations	10
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	15
Construction and extraction occupations	106
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations	30
Production occupations	25
Transportation and material moving occupations	148
Military specific occupations	12

<sup>1</sup>The race categories shown exclude Hispanic workers

<sup>2</sup>The primary source of injury identifies the object, substance, or exposure that directly produced or inflicted the injury. For transportation incidents, the source identifies the vehicle in which the deceased was an occupant.

<sup>3</sup>The secondary source of injury, if any, identifies the object, substance, or person that generated the source of injury or that contributed to the event or exposure. For vehicle collisions, the deceased's vehicle is the primary source and the other object (truck, road, divider, etc.) is the secondary source. For most homicides, the "bullet" is the primary source and the "perpetrator" is the secondary source.

NOTE: Dashes indicate no data or data that do not meet publication criteria. Totals for major categories may include subcategories not shown separately.

Data for 2003 are preliminary.

SOURCE: Texas Workers' Compensation Commission in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries (CFOI)