

POWERED HAULAGE

Don't Become the 100th, Stay Alive!

MSHA has noticed a disturbing trend in fatal accidents. From 2001 through mid 2012, powered haulage accidents accounted for 99 fatalities at metal / nonmetal mines. A total of 72 fatalities occurred at surface mines, 21 fatalities at underground mines and 6 fatalities at surface facilities. Most of these fatal accidents could have been avoided had there been adequate pre-operation equipment inspections, proper equipment maintenance, or careful pre-work planning.



Best Practices

- Equipment operators should be familiar with their working environment at all times.
- Never attempt to jump from a moving truck or machine.
- Conduct pre-operational checks to identify any defects that may affect the safe operation of equipment before it is placed into service.
- Maintain all braking systems in good operating condition.
- Operate mobile equipment at an appropriate speed for the conditions of the roadway, grade, visibility, and traffic.
- Thoroughly review the operator's manual during mobile equipment operator training.
- Identify hazards around conveyor systems, design guards, and securely install the guarding.
- Train all persons to recognize work place hazards and to stay clear of normal paths of travel for mobile equipment.

PLAN YOUR WAY – HAVE A SAFE DAY!

