

Table A-7. Fatal occupational injuries by worker characteristics and event or exposure, All United States, 2008

Worker characteristics	Total fatalities (number)	Event or exposure ¹					
		Transportation incidents ²	Assaults and violent acts ³	Contact with objects and equipment	Falls	Exposure to harmful substances or environments	Fires and explosions
Total.....	5,214	2,130	816	937	700	439	174
Employee Status							
Wage and Salary Workers ⁴	4,183	1,787	597	675	582	386	139
Self-employed ⁵	1,031	343	219	262	118	53	35
Gender							
Men.....	4,827	1,962	699	914	658	415	166
Women.....	387	168	117	23	42	24	8
Age							
Under 16 years.....	11	6	--	3	--	--	--
16 to 17 years.....	23	10	3	3	--	5	--
18 to 19 years.....	66	30	14	10	5	6	--
20 to 24 years.....	353	135	51	66	39	46	16
25 to 34 years.....	850	338	139	160	82	103	28
35 to 44 years.....	1,113	455	199	199	124	104	29
45 to 54 years.....	1,292	517	217	207	187	107	50
55 to 64 years.....	920	403	125	169	138	52	29
65 years and over.....	580	233	65	120	123	15	20
Race or Ethnic Origin⁶							
White, non-Hispanic.....	3,663	1,567	487	684	480	305	127
Black, non-Hispanic.....	533	226	135	73	38	32	26
Hispanic or Latino.....	804	262	119	157	157	89	18
American Indian or Alaska Native.....	32	20	--	5	--	4	--
Asian.....	145	38	65	14	19	6	3
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander.....	7	5	--	--	--	--	--

¹ Based on the BLS Occupational Injury and Illness Classification Manual.

² Includes highway, nonhighway, air, water, rail fatalities, and fatalities resulting from being struck by a vehicle.

³ Includes violence by persons, self-inflicted injury, and attacks by animals.

⁴ May include volunteers and workers receiving other types of compensation.

⁵ Includes self-employed workers, owners of unincorporated businesses and farms, paid and unpaid family workers, and may include some owners of incorporated businesses or members of partnerships.

⁶ Persons identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. The race

categories shown exclude data for Hispanics and Latinos.

NOTE: Totals for major categories may include subcategories not shown separately. Dashes indicate no data reported or data that do not meet publication criteria. CFOI fatality counts exclude illness-related deaths unless precipitated by an injury event. Data for all years are revised and final.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, in cooperation with State and Federal agencies, Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries