

Table 1. Fatal occupational injuries by selected worker characteristics and event or exposure, 1995

Worker characteristics	Fatalities		Event or exposure ¹ (percent)						
	Number	Percent	Total	Transportation incidents	Assaults and violent acts	Contact with objects and equipment	Falls	Exposure to harmful substances or environments	Fires and explosions
Total	6,210	100.0	100.0	41.2	20.3	14.7	10.4	9.6	3.3
Employee status									
Wage and salary workers	5,024	80.9	100.0	41.5	19.7	14.0	10.5	10.2	3.7
Self-employed ²	1,186	19.1	100.0	40.2	23.1	17.7	9.5	7.4	1.8
Sex and age									
Men	5,676	91.4	100.0	41.7	17.7	15.6	10.9	10.3	3.5
Women	534	8.6	100.0	36.3	48.1	5.8	4.9	2.2	1.9
Both sexes:									
Under 20 years	194	3.1	100.0	43.3	19.1	17.0	4.1	12.4	3.6
20 to 24 years	484	7.8	100.0	42.8	19.8	13.4	8.7	12.2	2.9
25 to 34 years	1,395	22.5	100.0	37.7	22.1	15.4	8.7	12.4	3.4
35 to 44 years	1,555	25.0	100.0	37.9	20.9	15.2	10.1	11.5	4.0
45 to 54 years	1,242	20.0	100.0	42.5	20.6	13.8	12.2	7.4	3.0
55 to 64 years	811	13.1	100.0	46.1	18.9	14.1	11.8	5.9	2.7
65 years and over	514	8.3	100.0	47.5	16.3	15.2	12.8	4.3	3.5
Unknown	15	.2	100.0	53.3	-	-	-	-	-
Race									
White	5,061	81.5	100.0	42.5	17.3	15.7	10.8	9.8	3.4
Black	689	11.1	100.0	35.1	31.6	12.5	8.7	8.1	3.5
Asian or Pacific Islander	161	2.6	100.0	21.7	62.7	4.3	6.2	3.1	-
American Indian, Aleut, Eskimo	27	.4	100.0	51.9	18.5	14.8	-	-	-
Other	272	4.4	100.0	43.8	22.1	9.2	8.8	13.6	2.6
Hispanic origin									
Hispanic ³	610	9.8	100.0	33.8	24.3	14.9	12.6	10.8	3.4

¹ Based on the 1992 BLS Occupational Injury and Illness Classification Structures. Includes other events and exposures, such as bodily reaction, in addition to those shown separately.

² Includes paid and unpaid family workers, and may include owners of incorporated businesses, or members of partnerships.

³ Persons identified as Hispanic may be of any race.

NOTE: Totals for major categories may include subcategories not shown separately. Percentages may not add to totals because of rounding. Dashes indicate no data reported or data that do not meet publication criteria.

SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, in cooperation with State and Federal agencies, Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries, 1995.