

**Table A-7. Fatal occupational injuries by worker characteristics and event or exposure, All United States, 2002**

Worker characteristics	Total fatalities (number)	Event or exposure <sup>1</sup> (percent)					
		Transportation incidents <sup>2</sup>	Assaults and violent acts <sup>3</sup>	Contact with objects and equipment	Falls	Exposure to harmful substances or environments	Fires and explosions
Total	5,524	43.1	15.2	15.8	12.9	9.7	3.0
<b>Employee Status</b>							
Wage and Salary Workers <sup>4</sup>	4,472	44.5	13.9	14.9	13.1	10.3	3.0
Self-employed <sup>5</sup>	1,052	37.4	20.9	19.6	12.1	7.2	2.9
<b>Sex</b>							
Men	5,083	42.8	13.6	16.7	13.2	10.2	3.2
Women	441	46.7	33.8	5.2	9.3	4.1	--
<b>Age</b>							
Under 16 years	16	62.5	18.8	--	--	--	--
16 to 17 years	25	56.0	12.0	12.0	--	12.0	--
18 to 19 years	92	41.3	14.1	18.5	7.6	16.3	--
20 to 24 years	435	40.9	11.5	15.6	11.5	16.1	4.4
25 to 34 years	1,020	40.4	17.9	14.8	11.5	12.3	2.8
35 to 44 years	1,402	41.4	16.6	14.3	11.7	12.2	3.7
45 to 54 years	1,250	41.6	16.5	16.7	13.3	8.6	3.0
55 to 64 years	783	47.8	13.7	17.5	15.2	3.8	2.0
65 years and over	494	50.0	8.5	17.4	18.0	3.4	1.8
<b>Race or Ethnic Origin</b>							
White, non-Hispanic <sup>6</sup>	3,917	44.7	12.7	16.4	12.7	9.6	3.5
Black, non-Hispanic <sup>6</sup>	491	41.5	25.1	11.8	11.0	8.4	2.0
Hispanic or Latin <sup>6</sup>	840	36.7	15.5	17.1	16.4	12.6	1.5
American Indian or Alaska Native	40	57.5	--	17.5	10.0	10.0	--
Asian or Pacific Islander	140	34.3	42.9	7.1	7.1	5.7	2.9
Asian	131	32.8	45.0	6.9	6.9	5.3	3.1
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	9	55.6	--	--	--	--	--

<sup>1</sup> Based on the 1992 BLS Occupational Injury and Illness Classification Manual.

<sup>2</sup> Includes highway, nonhighway, air, water, and rail fatalities.

<sup>3</sup> Includes violence by persons, self-inflicted injury, and assaults by animals.

<sup>4</sup> May include volunteers and other workers receiving compensation.

<sup>5</sup> Includes paid and unpaid family workers, and may include owners of incorporated businesses, or members of partnerships.

<sup>6</sup> For years prior to 2000, the race categories White and

Black include Hispanic workers. For years 2000 and later, the race categories White and Black exclude Hispanic workers.

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.

Data for 2002 are preliminary; data for previous years are final.

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