

EVENTS

A number of different types of events led to fatal work injuries in 2008.

Transportation-related incidents accounted for the largest number of fatal events—about 2 out of every 5 fatal work injuries. Highway incidents alone accounted for almost 1 out of every 4 fatal work injuries in 2008.

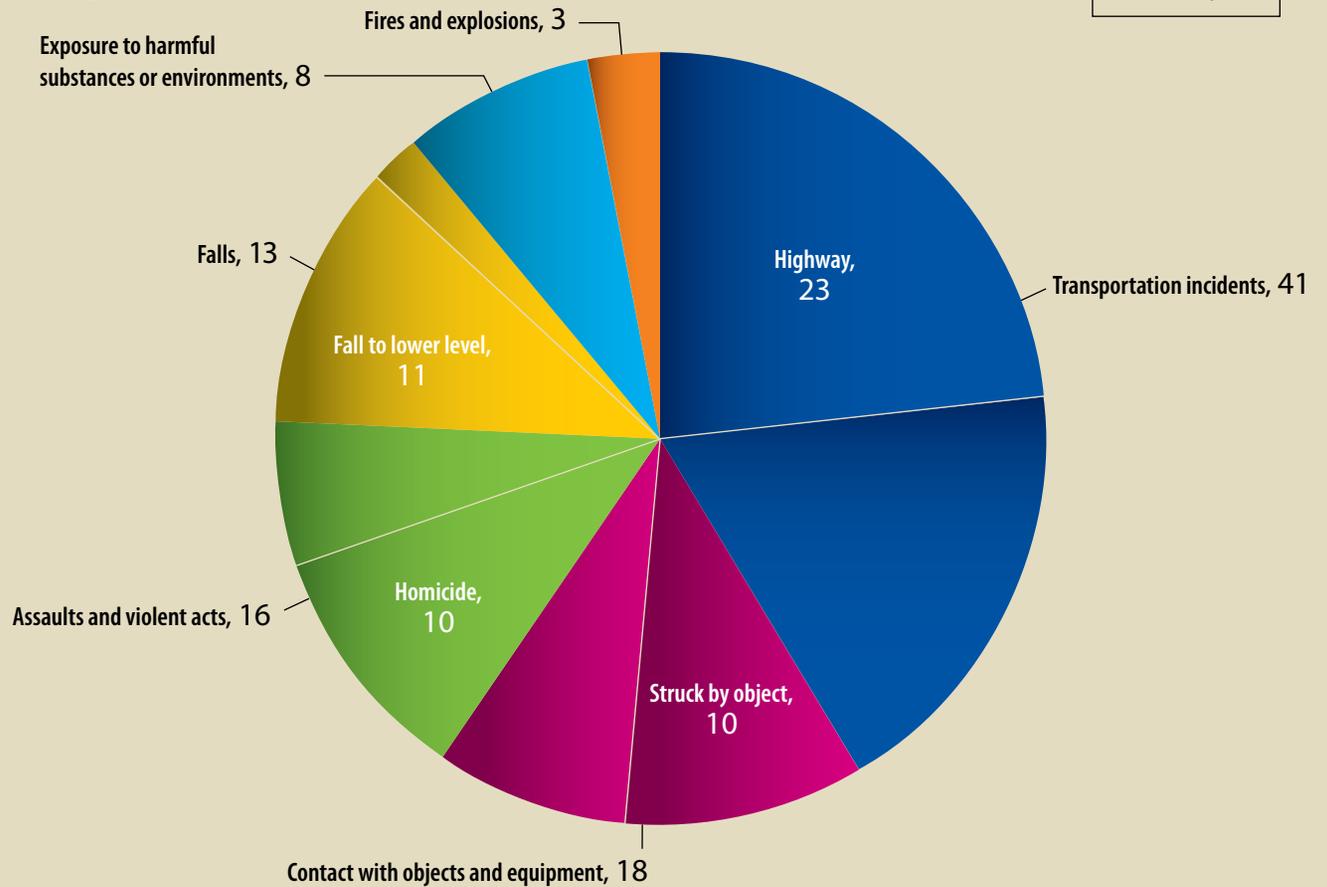
Contact with objects and equipment accounted for another 18 percent of the fatal injuries recorded.

Workers who were fatally injured as a result of assaults and violent acts accounted for 16 percent of all fatal work injuries, and falls accounted for 13 percent.

Manner in which fatal work injuries occurred, 2008

In percent

Total = 5,214



NOTE: Percentages may not add to totals because of rounding.
 SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, April 2010.