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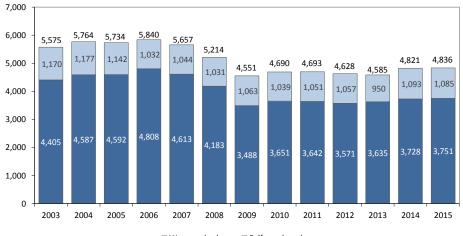
#### NATIONAL CENSUS OF FATAL OCCUPATIONAL INJURIES IN 2015

A total of 4,836 fatal work injuries were recorded in the United States in 2015, a slight increase from the 4,821 fatal injuries reported in 2014, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. (See chart 1.) This release marks the first time that the Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries (CFOI) has published a single, annual release with no revisions and will be the only release for 2015 CFOI data. A similar schedule will be followed in future years. Preliminary releases, which appeared in August or September in past years, will no longer be produced.

# **Key findings of the 2015 Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries:**

- Annual total of 4,836 fatal workplace injuries in 2015 was the highest since 5,214 fatal injuries in 2008.
- The overall rate of fatal work injury for workers in 2015, at 3.38 per 100,000 full-time equivalent (FTE) workers, was lower than the 2014 rate of 3.43.
- Hispanic or Latino workers incurred 903 fatal injuries in 2015—the most since 937 fatalities in 2007.
- Workers age 65 years and older incurred 650 fatal injuries, the second-largest number for the group since the national census began in 1992, but decreased from the 2014 figure of 684.
- Roadway incident fatalities were up 9 percent from 2014 totals, accounting for over one-quarter of the fatal occupational injuries in 2015.
- Workplace suicides decreased 18 percent in 2015; homicides were up 2 percent from 2014 totals.
- Heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers recorded 745 fatal injuries, the most of any occupation.
- The 937 fatal work injuries in the private construction industry in 2015 represented the highest total since 975 cases in 2008.
- Fatal injuries in the private oil and gas extraction industries were 38 percent lower in 2015 than 2014.
- Seventeen percent of decedents were contracted by and performing work for another business or government entity in 2015 rather than for their direct employer at the time of the incident.

Chart 1. Number of fatal work injuries by employee status, 2003-15



#### Worker characteristics

Non-Hispanic Black or African-American workers incurred 495 fatal work injuries in 2015, the most since 2008, though the rate of fatal injury remained the same as 2014 at 3.2 per 100,000 FTE workers. Fatal injuries involving Hispanic or Latino workers rose 12 percent in 2015 to 903 fatalities, up from 804 in 2014. The Hispanic or Latino worker rate also rose from 3.7 to 4.0 per 100,000 FTE workers in 2015 and was the highest rate among the racial/ethnic groups for which rates are calculated (see table 1).

The number of fatally-injured workers born in Mexico rose 22 percent in 2015 to 415 cases from 340 in 2014. Overall, fatal injuries involving foreign-born workers were at the highest level since 2007. Fatally-injured workers in 2015 who were born abroad came from about 100 different countries.

While workers age 45 years and older accounted for 58 percent of workplace fatalities in 2015, they accounted for only 45 percent of the total hours worked. Fatal injury rates were generally lower among younger workers (2.3 per 100,000 FTE workers for those age 25 to 34 years) and higher among older workers (9.4 per 100,000 FTE workers for those age 65 years and older).

Fatal injuries among wage and salary workers rose slightly in 2015, but were lower among self-employed workers. Self-employed workers, however, had a fatal injury rate that was 4 times higher than the rate for wage and salary workers (13.1 fatalities per 100,000 FTE workers compared with 2.8 for wage and salary workers). While women accounted for 43 percent of the hours worked in 2015, they accounted for only 7 percent of the fatal injuries.

# Type of incident

The number of fatal work injuries involving transportation incidents, the incident leading to the most fatal work injuries, increased in 2015. Roadway incidents were up 9 percent in 2015 to 1,264 and accounted for 26 percent of all fatal work injuries (see chart 2). Almost half of these fatalities (629) involved a semi, tractor-trailer, or tanker truck. Of the 253 non-roadway fatalities in 2015, the most frequent vehicle involved was a farm tractor (73). Fatal injuries involving pedestrians were lower in 2015, as were rail and water vehicle incidents.

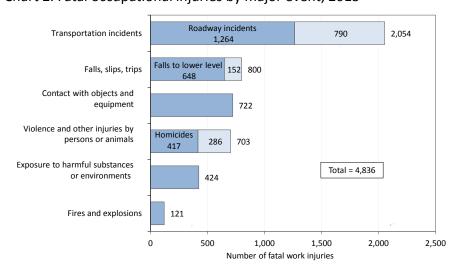


Chart 2. Fatal occupational injuries by major event, 2015

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2016.

Violence and other injuries by persons or animals resulted in 703 fatal injuries in 2015, down 8 percent from the 2014 total (see table 2). The number of work-related suicides dropped to 229 in 2015 from 280 in 2014. Workplace homicides rose by 2 percent to 417 cases in 2015, with shootings increasing by 15 percent, the first increase since 2012. Assailants in workplace homicides differed greatly depending on the gender of the decedent. Approximately 43 percent of female decedents were fatally assaulted by a relative or domestic partner; the corresponding figure for male decedents was 2 percent.

Falls to a lower level accounted for 81 percent of all fatal falls. Of those cases where the height of the fall was known, more than two-fifths of fatal falls occurred from 15 feet or lower. Fatal falls to a lower level accounted for nearly 40 percent of fatal work injuries in the private construction industry in 2015.

Workers were fatally struck by an object or equipment 519 times in 2015. Workers were most frequently struck by plants, trees, and vegetation (110); highway vehicles (104); and construction, logging, and mining machinery (54).

Fatal exposures to electricity were down in 2015, but fatalities due to exposure to temperature extremes rose. Workplace deaths due to nonmedical use of drugs or alcohol, unintentional overdose, increased 45 percent in 2015 to 165. A total of 136 workers were killed in incidents associated with confined spaces in 2015. The number of workers who died in multiple-fatality incidents (incidents where more than one worker was killed) was down 9 percent to 343 fatalities in 2015. These 343 decedents were killed in 134 separate incidents.

# Occupation

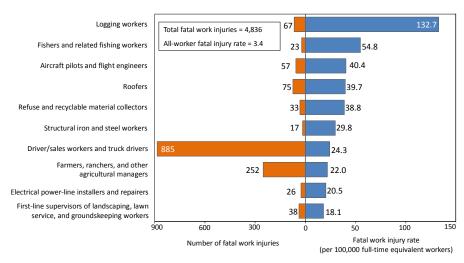
Fatal injuries among construction and extraction occupations rose by 2 percent to 924 cases in 2015—the highest level since 2008. Several construction occupations recorded their highest fatality total in years, including construction laborers (highest since 2008); carpenters (2009); electricians (2009); and plumbers, pipefitters, and steamfitters (2003). In contrast, fatal injuries among extraction workers were down sharply to 45 in 2015 from 88 in 2014.

Transportation and material moving occupations recorded fewer fatal injuries in 2015 than in 2014, but still accounted for over one-fourth of all fatal work injuries in 2015. Heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers incurred 745 fatal work injuries in 2015, the most of any occupation. Fatal injuries among aircraft pilots and flight engineers were down 30 percent in 2015 to a series low of 57 fatalities (see chart 3) although they did have a high fatal injury rate compared to all workers. Aircraft incidents in 2015 were at their highest level since 2011 even with this decrease for aircraft pilots and flight engineers.

Fatal injuries in farming, fishing, and forestry occupations increased 10 percent in 2015 to 284 fatalities—the highest level reported for that occupational group in 7 years. Fatalities among agricultural workers rose to 180, an increase of 22 percent from the 148 cases reported in 2014. Farmworkers and laborers involved in crop, nursery, and greenhouse operations recorded 106 fatalities, an increase of 33 percent from 2014 and matched highest total ever reported (in 2010) for that occupational group.

Fatal injuries among building and grounds cleaning and maintenance workers rose 15 percent to 289 in 2015, a series high. Fatal injuries involving grounds maintenance workers increased to 183 in 2015 from 158 in 2014, which matched the series high in 2011. These workers also had a rate 4 times higher than the national rate—15.0 per 100,000 FTE workers compared with 3.4 for all workers (see table 3).

Chart 3. Civilian occupations with high fatal work injury rates, 2015



Note: Fatal injury rates exclude workers under the age of 16 years, volunteers, and resident military. The number of fatal work injuries represents total published fatal injuries before the exclusions. For additional information on the fatal work injury rate methodology, please seewww.bls.gov/lif/sphnotice10.htm. Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey, Census of Fatal Conquational Injuries, 2016.

Resident military fatalities rose to 73 in 2015 from 56 in 2014. Multiple fatality incidents account for 49 percent of fatalities to the resident military and 7 percent to all workers.

## **Industry and contracted workers**

Fatal injuries in the private construction industry rose 4 percent in 2015 to 937 from 899 in 2014 (see chart 4). The 2015 total for construction was the highest since 2008 and was primarily led by an increase in fatal injuries among specialty trade contractors, though the rate for construction remained statistically unchanged. The largest increase among specialty trade contractors involved foundation, structure, and building exterior contractors whose fatal injury total rose 27 percent to 231 fatal injuries in 2015 from 182 in 2014.

The private mining, quarrying, and oil and gas extraction industry recorded fewer fatal injuries in 2015, declining 34 percent to 120 fatal injuries from 183 in 2014 (see table 4). Fatal work injuries in the combined oil and gas extraction industries (North American Industry Classification System [NAICS] 21111, 213111, and 213112) were 38 percent lower. The 2015 combined total for oil and gas extraction industries was the lowest since 2009.

Fatal injuries in the private manufacturing industry rose slightly in 2015 to 353 from 349 in 2014. Though the increase in manufacturing was small, the 2015 fatal injury total for manufacturing was the highest for that industry sector since 2008. The rate remained statistically unchanged from 2014.

Wholesale trade declined 8 percent to 175 cases in 2015—a series low. The number of private transportation and warehousing fatalities was essentially unchanged from 2014, but fatal injuries in the private truck transportation industry rose 9 percent to 546 in 2015, the highest total since 2007.

10.1 Transportation and warehousing 765 13.8 Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting 570 Professional and business services 477 Government 457 Manufacturing 353 Retail trade Leisure and hospitality 3.0 Other services (exc. public admin.) 202 Educational and health services 0.7 Mining, quarrying, and oil and gas extraction Financial activities Total fatal work injuries = 4,836 Information All-worker fatal injury rate = 3.4 Utilities 2.2 1 000 750 500 12 5 18 75

Chart 4. Number and rate of fatal work injuries by industry sector, 2015

Note: Fatal injury rates exclude workers under the age of 16 years, volunteers, and resident military. The number of fatal work injuries represents total published fatal injuries before the exclusions. For additional information on the fatal work injury rate methodology, please see <a href="www.bls.gov/iii/oshnotice10.htm">www.bls.gov/iii/oshnotice10.htm</a>. Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey, Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries, 2016.

Number of fatal work injuries

Fatal work injury rate

(per 100,000 full-time equivalent workers)

Public sector workers accounted for 9 percent of all occupational fatalities. These government workers had a lower fatal injury rate (1.9 per 100,000 FTEs) than their private sector counterparts (3.6).

Fatalities among contracted workers rose to 829 in 2015 from 802 in 2014 and accounted for 17 percent of all fatalities in 2015. Workers were most often contracted by a firm in the private construction industry (210) or by a government entity (147).

#### State and metropolitan statistical area (MSA)

Twenty-one states reported higher numbers of fatal injuries in 2015 than in 2014 while 29 states and the District of Columbia reported fewer fatalities. Six states recorded fatal injury totals in 2015 that were at or below the lowest total ever reported for those states – Alabama, Alaska, Indiana, Maine, Virginia, and West Virginia.

Although data for Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Guam are not included in the national totals for this release, results for these jurisdictions are available. Participating agencies may be contacted to request more detailed state results. Contact information is available at <a href="https://www.bls.gov/iif/oshstate.htm">www.bls.gov/iif/oshstate.htm</a>.

Detailed 2015 data are also available on fatal work injuries for more than 50 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs), and counts of fatal work injuries are available for over 350 MSAs.

### Corrections to 2014 CFOI rate data

The published fatal occupational injury rates and the total hours worked for 12 occupations, 2 industries, and for Asian, non-Hispanic workers were improperly calculated. For details on the affected rates and products, please visit <a href="https://www.bls.gov/bls/errata/cfoi-errata-2016.htm">www.bls.gov/bls/errata/cfoi-errata-2016.htm</a>.

#### TECHNICAL NOTES

## **Background of the program**

The Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries (CFOI), part of the BLS Occupational Safety and Health Statistics (OSHS) program, compiles a count of all fatal work injuries occurring in the U.S. during the calendar year. The CFOI program uses diverse state, federal, and independent data sources to identify, verify, and describe fatal work injuries. This ensures counts are as complete and accurate as possible. For the 2015 data, over 21,400 unique source documents were reviewed as part of the data collection process. For technical information and definitions for CFOI, please go to the BLS Handbook of Methods on the BLS website at www.bls.gov/opub/hom/pdf/homch9.pdf.

The Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses (SOII), another component of the OSHS program, presents frequency counts and incidence rates by industry and also by detailed case circumstances and worker characteristics for nonfatal workplace injuries and illnesses for cases that result in days away from work. Incidence rates for 2015 by industry and case type were published in October 2016, and information on 2015 case circumstances and worker characteristics was published in November 2016. For additional data, access the BLS website: <a href="https://www.bls.gov/iif/">www.bls.gov/iif/</a>.

#### Identification and verification of work-related fatalities

In 2015, there were 9 cases included for which work relationship could not be independently verified; however, the information on the initiating source document for these cases was sufficient to determine that the incident was likely to be job-related. Data for these fatalities were included in the Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries (CFOI) counts.

## Federal/State agency coverage

The Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries includes data for all fatal work injuries, whether the decedent was working in a job covered by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) or other federal or state agencies or was outside the scope of regulatory coverage. Thus, any comparison between the BLS fatality census counts and those released by other agencies should take into account the different coverage requirements and definitions being used by each agency.

# Acknowledgements

BLS thanks the participating states, New York City, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Guam for their efforts in collecting accurate, comprehensive, and useful data on fatal work injuries. BLS also appreciates the efforts of all federal, state, local, and private sector entities that provided source documents used to identify fatal work injuries. Among these agencies are the Occupational Safety and Health Administration; the National Transportation Safety Board; the U.S. Coast Guard; the Mine Safety and Health Administration; the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (Federal Employees' Compensation and Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation divisions); the Federal Railroad Administration; the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration; state vital statistics registrars, coroners, and medical examiners; state departments of health, labor, and industrial relations and workers' compensation agencies; state and local police departments; and state farm bureaus.

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Table 1. Fatal occupational injuries counts and rates by selected demographic characteristics, 2014-15

|  | Cou   | ints  | Rates <sup>1</sup> |      |  |
|--|-------|-------|--------------------|------|--|
| Characteristic                                     | 2014  | 2015  | 2014               | 2015 |  |
| Total <sup>2</sup>                                 | 4,821 | 4,836 | 3.4                | 3.4  |  |
| Employee status                                    |       |       |                    |      |  |
| Wage and salary workers <sup>3</sup>               | 3,728 | 3,751 | 2.8                | 2.8  |  |
| Self-employed <sup>4</sup>                         | 1,093 | 1,085 | 13.6               | 13.1 |  |
| Gender   |       |       |                    |      |  |
| Women Control                                      | 367   | 344   | 0.6                | 0.6  |  |
| Men  | 4,454 | 4,492 | 5.6                | 5.5  |  |
| Age  |       |       |                    |      |  |
| Under 16 years                                     | 8     | 12    | N/A                | N/A  |  |
| 16 to 17 years                                     | 14    | 12    | N/A                | N/A  |  |
| 18 to 19 years                                     | 42    | 50    | 2.0                | 2.1  |  |
| 20 to 24 years                                     | 292   | 329   | 2.3                | 2.7  |  |
| 25 to 34 years                                     | 753   | 758   | 2.4                | 2.3  |  |
| 35 to 44 years                                     | 860   | 864   | 2.8                | 2.7  |  |
| 45 to 54 years                                     | 1,161 | 1,130 | 3.6                | 3.5  |  |
| 55 to 64 years                                     | 1,007 | 1,031 | 4.3                | 4.3  |  |
| 65 years and over                                  | 684   | 650   | 10.7               | 9.4  |  |
| Race or ethnic origin <sup>5</sup>                 |       |       |                    |      |  |
| White (non-Hispanic)                               | 3,332 | 3,241 | 3.6                | 3.5  |  |
| Black or African-American (non-Hispanic)           | 475   | 495   | 3.2                | 3.2  |  |
| Hispanic or Latino                                 | 804   | 903   | 3.7                | 4.0  |  |
| American Indian or Alaskan Native (non-Hispanic)   | 34    | 36    | N/A                | N/A  |  |
| Asian (non-Hispanic)                               | 137   | 114   | 1.8                | 1.4  |  |
| Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander (non-Hispanic) | 5     | 9     | N/A                | N/A  |  |
| Multiple races (non-Hispanic)                      | 20    | 12    | N/A                | N/A  |  |
| Other races or not reported (non-Hispanic)         | 14    | 26    | N/A                | N/A  |  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fatal injury rates are per 100,000 full-time equivalent workers (FTEs). Complete national rates can be found at www.bls.gov/iif/oshcfoi1.htm#rates. Complete state rates can be found at www.bls.gov/iif/oshstate.htm. National and state rates are calculated using different methodology and <u>cannot</u> be directly compared. Please see www.bls.gov/iif/oshfaq1.htm#q17 for more information on how rates are calculated and caveats for comparison. N/A means a rate was not published for this group.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries (CFOI) has published data on fatal occupational injuries for the United States since 1992. During this time, the classification systems and definitions of many data elements have changed. Please see the CFOI Definitions page (www.bls.gov/iif/oshcfdef.htm) for a more detailed description of each data element and their definitions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> May include volunteers and workers receiving other types of compensation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Persons identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. The race categories shown exclude data for Hispanics and Latinos.

Table 2. Fatal occupational injuries for selected events or exposures, 2011-15

|  | Counts |       |       |       |       |
|--|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Characteristic   | 2011   | 2012  | 2013  | 2014  | 2015  |
| Total <sup>1</sup>   | 4,693  | 4,628 | 4,585 | 4,821 | 4,836 |
| Event or exposure <sup>2</sup>   |        |       |       |       |       |
| Violence and other injuries by persons or animals                          | 791    | 803   | 773   | 765   | 703   |
| Intentional injury by person   | 718    | 725   | 686   | 689   | 646   |
| Homicides  | 468    | 475   | 404   | 409   | 417   |
| Shooting by other person—intentional                                       | 365    | 381   | 322   | 307   | 354   |
| Stabbing, cutting, slashing, piercing                                      | 42     | 35    | 38    | 40    | 28    |
| Suicides   | 250    | 249   | 282   | 280   | 229   |
| Transportation incidents   | 1,937  | 1,923 | 1,865 | 1,984 | 2,054 |
| Aircraft incidents   | 145    | 127   | 136   | 135   | 139   |
| Rail vehicle incidents   | 50     | 38    | 41    | 57    | 50    |
| Pedestrian vehicular incident  | 316    | 293   | 294   | 318   | 289   |
| Pedestrian struck by vehicle in work zone                                  | 63     | 65    | 48    | 53    | 44    |
| Water vehicle incident   | 72     | 63    | 60    | 55    | 44    |
| Roadway incident involving motorized land vehicle                          | 1,103  | 1,153 | 1,099 | 1,157 | 1,264 |
| Roadway collision with other vehicle                                       | 525    | 565   | 564   | 611   | 660   |
| Roadway collision moving in same direction                                 | 150    | 124   | 144   | 146   | 166   |
| Roadway collision moving in opposite directions, oncoming                  | 172    | 204   | 192   | 230   | 224   |
| Roadway collision moving perpendicularly                                   | 111    | 134   | 136   | 131   | 154   |
| Roadway collision with object other than vehicle                           | 313    | 338   | 332   | 317   | 360   |
| Vehicle struck object or animal on side of roadway                         | 292    | 318   | 311   | 292   | 335   |
| Roadway noncollision incident  | 262    | 247   | 201   | 228   | 240   |
| Jack-knifed or overturned, roadway   | 208    | 202   | 171   | 193   | 201   |
| Nonroadway incident involving motorized land vehicle                       | 222    | 233   | 227   | 248   | 253   |
| Nonroadway noncollision incident   | 169    | 175   | 181   | 191   | 182   |
| Jack-knifed or overturned, nonroadway                                      | 113    | 115   | 118   | 127   | 131   |
| Fire or explosion  | 144    | 122   | 149   | 137   | 121   |
| Fall, slip, trip   | 681    | 704   | 724   | 818   | 800   |
| Fall on same level   | 111    | 120   | 110   | 138   | 125   |
| Fall to lower level  | 553    | 570   | 595   | 660   | 648   |
| Fall from collapsing structure or equipment                                | 38     | 35    | 45    | 44    | 55    |
| Fall through surface or existing opening                                   | 60     | 72    | 68    | 82    | 87    |
| Exposure to harmful substances or environments                             | 419    | 340   | 335   | 390   | 424   |
| Exposure to electricity  | 174    | 156   | 141   | 154   | 134   |
| Exposure to temperature extremes   | 63     | 41    | 38    | 26    | 40    |
| Exposure to other harmful substances                                       | 144    | 110   | 124   | 182   | 215   |
| Inhalation of harmful substance  | 57     | 40    | 39    | 59    | 45    |
| Contact with objects and equipment   | 710    | 723   | 721   | 715   | 722   |
| Struck by object or equipment  | 476    | 519   | 509   | 503   | 519   |
| Struck by falling object or equipment                                      | 219    | 241   | 245   | 243   | 247   |
| Caught in or compressed by equipment or objects                            | 145    | 124   | 131   | 132   | 99    |
| Caught in running equipment or machinery                                   | 118    | 93    | 105   | 105   | 74    |
| Struck, caught, or crushed in collapsing structure, equipment, or material | 84     | 73    | 78    | 74    | 90    |

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Based on the BLS Occupational Injury and Illness Classification System (OIICS) 2.01 implemented for 2011 data forward.

Table 3. Fatal occupational injuries counts and rates for selected occupations, 2014-15

|   | Cou   | Counts |             | Rates <sup>1</sup> |  |  |
|---|-------|--------|-------------|--------------------|--|--|
| Characteristic  | 2014  | 2015   | 2014        | 2015               |  |  |
| Total <sup>2</sup>  | 4,821 | 4,836  | 3.4         | 3.4                |  |  |
| Occupation (SOC) <sup>3</sup>                                     |       |        |             |                    |  |  |
| Management occupations  | 440   | 379    | 2.5         | 2.1                |  |  |
| Business and financial operations occupations                     | 28    | 31     | 0.4         | 0.4                |  |  |
| Computer and mathematical occupations                             | 16    | 8      | 0.4         | 0.4<br>N/A         |  |  |
| Architecture and engineering occupations                          | 35    | 37     | 1.2         | 1.2                |  |  |
| Life, physical, and social science occupations                    | 18    | 11     | 1.3         | N/A                |  |  |
| Community and social services occupations                         | 33    | 28     | 1.1         | 1.0                |  |  |
| Legal occupations   | 7     | 12     | N/A         | N/A                |  |  |
| Education, training, and library occupations                      | 27    | 19     | 0.4         | 0.3                |  |  |
| Arts, design, entertainment, sports, and media occupations        | 47    | 65     | 1.6         | 2.4                |  |  |
| Healthcare practitioners and technical occupations                | 53    | 74     | 0.7         | 0.9                |  |  |
| Healthcare support occupations                                    | 14    | 23     | N/A         | 0.7                |  |  |
| Protective service occupations                                    | 213   | 213    | 6.1         | 6.2                |  |  |
| Fire fighting and prevention workers                              | 26    | 30     | N/A         |                    |  |  |
| Law enforcement workers   | 106   | 102    | N/A         |                    |  |  |
| Food preparation and serving related occupations                  | 55    | 56     | 0.9         | 0.9                |  |  |
| Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations         | 252   | 289    | 5.1         | 5.8                |  |  |
| Building cleaning and pest control workers                        | 56    | 59     | N/A         | N/A                |  |  |
| Grounds maintenance workers                                       | 158   | 183    | 13.1        | 15.0               |  |  |
| Personal care and service occupations                             | 63    | 51     | 1.4         | 1.1                |  |  |
| Sales and related occupations                                     | 239   | 228    | 1.7         | 1.6                |  |  |
| Supervisors, sales workers  | 124   | 101    | N/A         |                    |  |  |
| Retail sales workers  | 78    | 82     | N/A         |                    |  |  |
| Office and administrative support occupations                     | 100   | 86     | 0.6         | 0.5                |  |  |
| Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations                        | 259   | 284    | 24.7        | 25.3               |  |  |
| Agricultural workers  | 148   | 180    | N/A         | N/A                |  |  |
| Fishing and hunting workers                                       | 22    | 25     | N/A         | N/A                |  |  |
| Forest, conservation, and logging workers                         | 78    | 69     | N/A         | -                  |  |  |
| Construction and extraction occupations                           | 902   | 924    | 12.1        | 12.5               |  |  |
| Supervisors of construction and extraction workers                | 130   | 123    | 17.4        | 16.1               |  |  |
| Construction trades workers                                       | 625   | 694    | N/A         |                    |  |  |
| Extraction workers  | 88    | 45     | N/A         | •                  |  |  |
| Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations                 | 406   | 392    | 8.1         | 7.6                |  |  |
| Vehicle and mobile equipment mechanics, installers, and repairers | 128   | 129    | N/A         |                    |  |  |
| Production occupations  | 212   | 250    | 2.5         | 3.0                |  |  |
| Transportation and material moving occupations                    | 1,346 | 1,301  | 15.4        | 14.7               |  |  |
| Air transportation workers  | 84    | 1,301  | 13.4<br>N/A |                    |  |  |
| Motor vehicle operators   | 979   | 978    | N/A<br>N/A  |                    |  |  |
| Material moving workers   | 224   | 206    | N/A         |                    |  |  |
| Military occupations <sup>4</sup>                                 |       |        |             |                    |  |  |
| ivilitary occupations   | 56    | 73     | N/A         | N/A                |  |  |

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> CFOI has used several versions of the Standard Occupation Classification (SOC) system since 2003 to define occupation. For more information on the version of SOC used in this year, see our definitions page at www.bls.gov/iif/oshcfdef.htm.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Includes fatal injuries to persons identified as resident armed forces regardless of individual occupation listed.

|  | Counts |       | Rates <sup>1</sup> |      |  |
|--|--------|-------|--------------------|------|--|
| Characteristic   | 2014   | 2015  | 2014               | 2015 |  |
| Total <sup>2</sup>   | 4,821  | 4,836 | 3.4                | 3.4  |  |
| Industry (NAICS) <sup>3</sup>  |        |       |                    |      |  |
| Private industry 4   | 1,000  | 4.270 |                    | 2.6  |  |
|  | 4,386  | 4,379 | 3.7                | 3.6  |  |
| Goods producing  | 2,015  | 1,980 | 7.1                | 6.9  |  |
| Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting                               | 584    | 570   | 25.6               |      |  |
| Crop production  | 251    | 230   | 22.4               | 18.4 |  |
| Animal production and aquaculture  | 166    | 171   | 19.3               | 17.8 |  |
| Forestry and logging   | 95     | 81    | N/A                | N/A  |  |
| Mining, quarrying, and oil and gas extraction <sup>5</sup>               | 183    | 120   | 14.2               | 11.4 |  |
| Mining (except oil and gas)  | 38     | 28    | 15.8               | 12.4 |  |
| Support activities for mining  | 127    | 86    | 13.8               | 12.2 |  |
| Construction   | 899    | 937   | 9.8                | 10.1 |  |
| Construction of buildings  | 180    | 175   | N/A                | N/A  |  |
| Heavy and civil engineering construction                                 | 140    | 148   | N/A                | N/A  |  |
| Specialty trade contractors  | 564    | 595   | N/A                | N/A  |  |
| Manufacturing  | 349    | 353   | 2.3                | 2.3  |  |
| Food manufacturing   | 56     | 44    | 3.3                | 2.5  |  |
| Fabricated metal product manufacturing                                   | 34     | 66    | 2.9                | 5.3  |  |
| Service providing  | 2,371  | 2,399 | 2.6                | 2.6  |  |
| Wholesale trade  | 191    | 175   | 5.1                | 4.7  |  |
| Retail trade   | 272    | 269   | 1.9                | 1.8  |  |
| Motor vehicle and parts dealers  | 47     | 62    | 2.4                | 3.0  |  |
| Food and beverage stores   | 69     | 58    | 2.5                | 2.2  |  |
| Transportation and warehousing   | 766    | 765   | 14.1               | 13.8 |  |
| Truck transportation   | 503    | 546   | 23.9               | 25.2 |  |
| Utilities  | 17     | 22    | 1.7                | 2.2  |  |
| Information  | 35     | 42    | 1.2                | 1.5  |  |
| Finance and insurance  | 29     | 19    | 0.4                | 0.3  |  |
| Real estate and rental and leasing                                       | 88     | 64    | 3.4                | 2.3  |  |
| Professional, scientific, and technical services                         | 80     | 76    | 0.8                | 0.8  |  |
| Administrative and support and waste management and remediation services | 342    | 401   | N/A                | N/A  |  |
| Educational services   | 40     | 30    | 1.0                | 0.7  |  |
| Health care and social assistance  | 106    | 109   | 0.6                | 0.6  |  |
| Arts, entertainment, and recreation                                      | 81     | 82    | 3.4                | 3.3  |  |
| Accommodation and food services  | 135    | 143   | 1.6                | 1.6  |  |
| Other services, except public administration                             | 186    | 202   | 2.7                | 3.0  |  |
| Government <sup>6</sup>  | 435    | 457   | 1.9                | 1.9  |  |
| Federal government <sup>4</sup>  | 94     |       |                    |      |  |
| State government <sup>4</sup>  | 72     | 118   | 1.1                |      |  |
| Local government <sup>4</sup>  |        |       |                    |      |  |
| Local government   | 269    | 257   | 2.6                | 2.6  |  |

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Includes all fatal occupational injuries meeting this ownership criterion across all specified years, regardless of industry classification system.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Includes fatal injuries at all establishments categorized as Mining, quarrying, and oil and gas extraction (Sector 21) in the North American Industry Classification System, including establishments not governed by the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) rules and reporting, such as those in Oil and Gas Extraction.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Includes fatal injuries to workers employed by governmental organizations regardless of industry. Includes all fatal occupational injuries meeting this ownership criterion across all specified years, regardless of industry classification system.

Table 5. Fatal occupational injuries counts and rates by state of incident, 2014-15

|                             | Counts |       | Rates <sup>1</sup> |      |  |
|-----------------------------|--------|-------|--------------------|------|--|
| Characteristic              | 2014   | 2015  | 2014               | 2015 |  |
| Total <sup>2</sup>          | 4,821  | 4,836 | 3.4                | 3.4  |  |
| State of incident           |        |       |                    |      |  |
| Alabama                     | 75     | 70    | 4.0                | 3.7  |  |
| Alaska                      | 30     | 14    | 7.8                | 4.1  |  |
| Arizona                     | 88     | 69    | 3.1                | 2.4  |  |
| Arkansas                    | 67     | 74    | 5.7                | 5.8  |  |
| California                  | 344    | 388   | 2.0                | 2.2  |  |
| Colorado                    | 84     | 75    | 3.3                | 2.9  |  |
| Connecticut                 | 35     | 44    | 2.1                | 2.6  |  |
| Delaware                    | 12     | 8     | 2.8                |      |  |
| District of Columbia        | 11     | 8     | 3.1                | 2.4  |  |
| Florida                     | 228    | 272   | 2.7                | 3.1  |  |
|                             | 152    | 180   | 3.6                |      |  |
| Georgia                     | 31     |       | 5.0                | 2.6  |  |
| Hawaii                      |        | 18    |                    |      |  |
| Idaho                       | 34     | 36    | 4.7                | 4.8  |  |
| Illinois                    | 164    | 172   | 2.9                |      |  |
| Indiana                     | 130    | 115   | 4.4                | 3.9  |  |
| lowa                        | 91     | 60    | 6.0                | 3.9  |  |
| Kansas                      | 73     | 60    | 5.5                |      |  |
| Kentucky                    | 82     | 99    | 4.5                |      |  |
| Louisiana                   | 120    | 112   | 6.3                | 5.8  |  |
| Maine                       | 19     | 15    | 2.9                |      |  |
| Maryland                    | 74     | 69    | 2.6                |      |  |
| Massachusetts               | 55     | 69    | 1.7                | 2.1  |  |
| Michigan                    | 143    | 134   | 3.3                | 3.1  |  |
| Minnesota                   | 62     | 74    | 2.3                | 2.7  |  |
| Mississippi                 | 75     | 77    | 7.1                | 6.8  |  |
| Missouri                    | 106    | 117   | 3.9                | 4.3  |  |
| Montana                     | 28     | 36    | 4.9                | 7.5  |  |
| Nebraska                    | 55     | 50    | 5.8                | 5.4  |  |
| Nevada                      | 40     | 44    | 3.1                | 3.5  |  |
| New Hampshire               | 17     | 18    | 2.6                | 2.7  |  |
| New Jersey                  | 87     | 97    | 2.1                | 2.3  |  |
| New Mexico                  | 53     | 35    | 6.7                | 4.1  |  |
| New York (including N.Y.C.) | 241    | 236   | 2.8                | 2.7  |  |
| New York City               | 79     | 74    | 2.2                | 2.0  |  |
| North Carolina              | 137    | 150   | 3.1                | 3.4  |  |
| North Dakota                | 38     | 47    | 9.8                | 12.5 |  |
| Ohio                        | 185    | 202   | 3.6                | 3.9  |  |
| Oklahoma                    | 98     | 91    | 6.2                |      |  |
| Oregon                      | 69     | 44    | 3.9                |      |  |
| Pennsylvania                | 179    | 173   | 3.1                |      |  |
| Rhode Island                | 10     | 6     | 2.1                | 1.2  |  |
| South Carolina              | 64     | 117   | 3.3                |      |  |
| South Dakota                | 29     | 21    | 7.2                | 4.9  |  |
| Tennessee                   | 127    | 112   | 4.8                |      |  |
| Texas                       | 531    | 527   | 4.5                |      |  |
| Utah                        | 54     | 42    | 4.2                |      |  |
| Vermont                     | 10     | 9     | 3.2                |      |  |
| Virginia                    | 116    | 106   | 2.8                |      |  |
| Washington                  | 88     | 70    | 2.7                | 2.1  |  |
| West Virginia               | 38     | 35    | 5.2                |      |  |
| Wisconsin                   | 99     | 104   | 3.5                |      |  |
|                             |        |       |                    |      |  |
| Wyoming                     | 37     | 34    | 13.1               | 12.0 |  |

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Note: Data for all years are final. CFOI fatal injury counts exclude illness-related deaths unless precipitated by an injury event.

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