

Region III Update MACSC 12 Jan 2024



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BLS Statistics – All Industries

- 5,486 Fatalities in 2022, a 5.7% increase from 2021 (5190)
- A worker is dying every 96 minutes
- Transportation and material moving occupations experienced the most fatalities (1,620)
- Unintentional overdose increased 13% from 2021. Continuing an annual increase since 2012

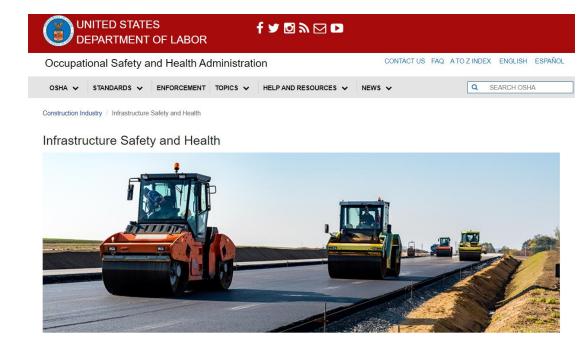


BLS Statistics – All Industries

- Suicides increased 13% from 2021...following decreases in 2019 & 2020. (267)
- Black/AA and Hispanic/Latino workers fatality rates increased
 - Highest cause of death for both groups (278 & 479)
 - 2nd Highest B/AA violence or injuries from animals (199)
 - 2nd highest for H/L falls, slips, trips (286)
- Falls increase of ~2% 865 with 80% to the lower level Safety and Health

OSHA Directorate of Construction Infrastructure Safety and Health Webpage

- Focus Four Hazards
 - Standards
 - Directives
 - Letters of Interpretation
- Compliance Resources
 - Safety & Health Programs
 - Training Materials
 - Alliance and Partnership Programs
- External Partners



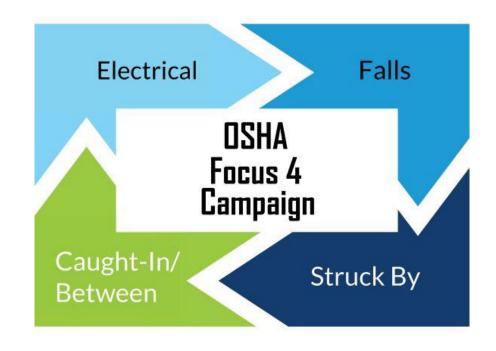
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Focus Four Stats 2022

The breakdown of the causes of fatalities on construction sites in 2022 is as follows (numbers are a percentage of the 1069 total construction-related fatalities that occurred in 2022)

- Falls: 410 (~38%)
- Struck-by object or equip: 88 (~8%)
- Electrocutions: 62 (~6%)
- Caught-in/between: 60 (~6%)



Construction Focus Four Training | Occupational Safety and Health Administration (osha.gov)



Interesting 2022 BLS Stats

- 243 transportation fatalities (increase from 212 in 2021)
- 96 unintentional overdose (alcohol or drugs)
- 57 due to violence (person or animal) (increase from 40 in 2021)
- 40 trench-related fatalities in 2022 (increase from 25 in 2021)



Focus 4 Trending

CY	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
BLS Data	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Caught- in/betw	69	72	50	55	59	70	*29*	60
Electrical	81	82	71	86	79	53	74	62
Struck-by	90	93	80	112	90	83	75	88
Falls	364	384	381	338	418	368	390	410
Totals	937	991	971	1008	1061	1008	968	1069



Trench Collapse Fatalities

- 2017: **24** fatalities
- 2018: **13** fatalities
- 2019: **21** fatalities
- 2020: **18** fatalities
- 2021: **25** fatalities
- 2022: **40** fatalities







OSHA's 2022 Trenching Initiative

- June 14, 2022 OSHA National Press Release on Increase of Trench-related Fatalities
- OSHA has:
 - Emphasized enforcement of the trenching and excavation standards
 - Increased outreach efforts
 - NUCA Trench Safety Stand Down, June 2024

Looking for other partners to decrease cave-ins





Region 3 Deeper Dive

- Roadway or Workzone
 - Working with Roadway Worker Alliance, NIOSH, and FHWA
- Transportation Incidents
 - Working with DOT, Fleet Management/Safety
- Suicide Events
 - Working with Construction Industry Alliance and American Foundation on Suicide Prevention (AFSP)





FY24 Construction Outreach Events

- Region 3 Focus Four March through June
 2023 (Electrical, Struck-By, Falls, Caught-In)
- National Work Zone Awareness Week, April 15-19, 2024
- National Safety Stand-Down to Prevent Falls in Construction, May 6-10, 2024
- Trench Safety Stand Down, Mid-June 2024
- Construction Suicide Prevention Week,
 September 9 -13, 2024





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Contact me for site events and toolbox discussions!!!



Questions?

