

TABLE A-5. Fatal occupational injuries by worker characteristics and selected event or exposure (transportation incidents, assaults and violent acts, and contact with objects and equipment), 2004

Worker Characteristics	Total fatalities (number)	Event or exposure ¹ (percent)								
		Transportation incidents				Assaults and violent acts		Contact with object and equipment		
		Total ²	Highway incidents ³	Non-highway incidents	Worker struck by vehicle	Total ⁴	Homicides	Total	Struck by object	Caught in equipment or object
Total	5,764	43.2	24.3	5.9	6.6	14.0	9.7	17.5	10.4	4.7
Employee status										
Wage and salary ⁵	4,587	45.5	26.9	3.8	7.8	11.9	8.5	16.8	9.8	4.7
Self-employed ⁶	1,177	34.2	13.8	13.9	1.9	22.5	14.4	20.1	13.0	4.6
Sex										
Men	5,349	43.1	23.8	6.2	6.4	12.8	8.6	18.4	11.1	4.8
Women	415	45.1	29.6	2.2	8.2	29.4	23.9	6.3	1.9	2.9
Age⁷										
Under 16 years	13	46.2	23.1	–	–	30.8	–	23.1	–	–
16-17 years	25	64.0	28.0	28.0	–	–	–	–	–	–
18-19 years	103	40.8	24.3	9.7	6.8	10.7	7.8	21.4	7.8	10.7
20-24 years	421	40.4	23.3	4.5	6.4	13.3	9.7	18.3	10.0	5.5
25-34 years	996	44.4	25.7	2.7	6.5	15.0	12.3	17.2	9.4	4.9
35-44 years	1,342	42.3	25.5	3.6	6.3	14.5	10.0	17.4	9.8	5.0
45-54 years	1,384	43.6	24.1	5.9	6.6	14.3	9.1	17.8	10.8	4.9
55-64 years	907	44.3	25.4	6.9	7.1	13.5	8.9	15.5	10.3	3.6
65 years and older	569	42.2	18.1	14.4	6.3	12.8	7.9	19.5	14.4	2.8
Race or ethnic origin⁸										
White	4,066	45.3	25.1	6.5	6.5	12.3	7.1	17.6	10.6	4.9
Black or African American	546	39.9	26.2	4.8	6.0	23.4	21.8	13.4	8.1	3.1
Hispanic or Latino	902	36.6	21.6	4.7	7.8	10.9	8.8	21.7	12.9	5.3
American Indian or Alaskan Native	28	50.0	28.6	–	–	–	–	25.0	14.3	–
Asian	168	39.3	11.3	1.8	3.6	41.7	35.7	7.7	3.6	–
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	12	33.3	–	–	–	33.3	33.3	–	–	–
Multiple races	4	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Other races or not reported	38	36.8	18.4	–	–	18.4	15.8	13.2	7.9	–

¹ Based on the 1992 BLS Occupational Injury and Illness Classification Manual.

² Includes highway, nonhighway, air, water, and rail fatalities.

³ "Highway" includes deaths to vehicle occupants resulting from traffic incidents that occur on the public roadway, shoulder, or surrounding area. It excludes incidents occurring entirely off the roadway, such as in parking lots and on farms; incidents involving trains; and deaths to pedestrians or other non-passengers.

⁴ Includes violence by persons, self-inflicted injury, and assaults by animals.

⁵ May include volunteers and other workers receiving compensation.

⁶ Includes paid and unpaid family workers, and may include owners of incorporated businesses, or members of partnerships.

⁷ There were 7 fatalities for which there was insufficient information to determine the age of the decedent.

⁸ Persons identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. The racial categories shown exclude data for Hispanics and Latinos.

NOTE: Totals for 2004 are revised and final. 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: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, in cooperation with state, New York City, District of Columbia, and Federal agencies, Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries.