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Work-related fatality rates are higher for older workers. In 2004, workers 45 years and older recorded fatality rates higher than the all-worker rate, while workers 44 years and under recorded fatality rates lower than the all-worker rate.

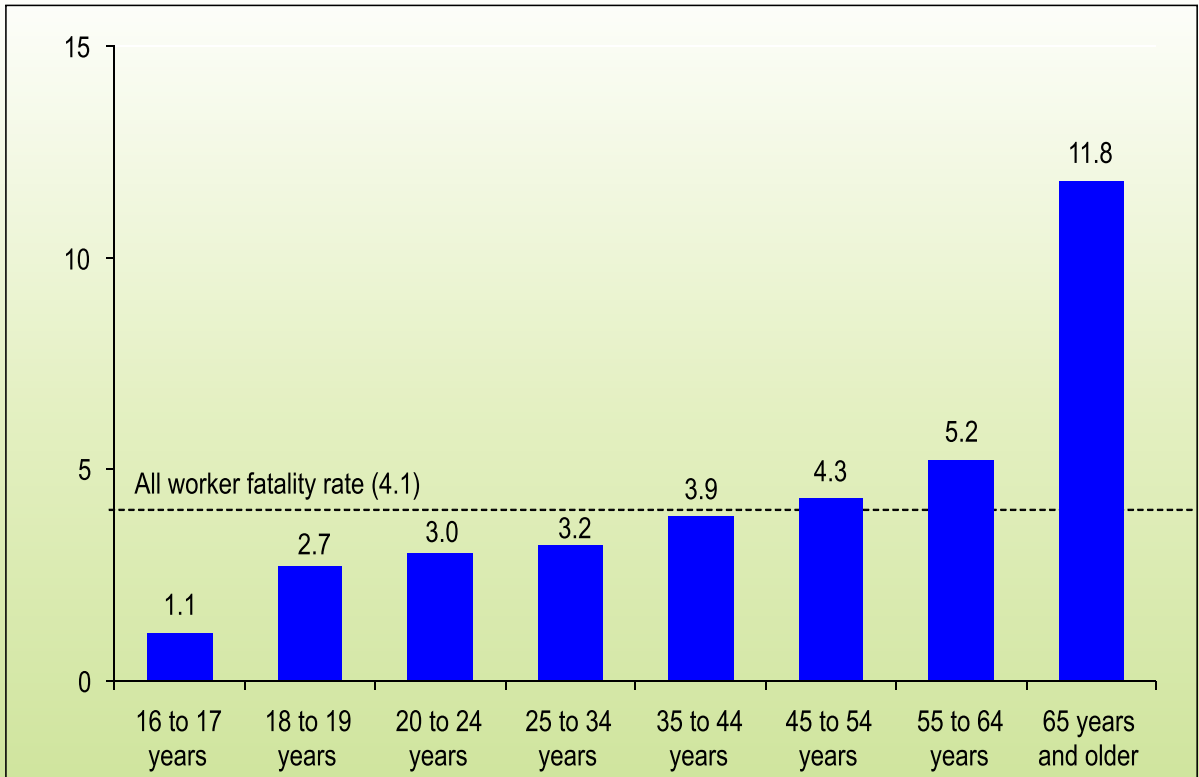
Between 2003 and 2004, fatality rates increased for each of the four age groupings 35 years and older.

The fatality rate for workers 65 and older (11.8 fatal work injuries per 100,000 workers) was nearly 3 times higher than the all-worker rate of 4.1.

In contrast, the fatality rate for workers 16 and 17 years old (1.1 fatalities per 100,000 workers) was about one-quarter of the all-worker rate.



Fatality rates, by age groups, 2004



SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, 2006