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ANALYTICAL ARTICLE:

Fatal Occupational Injuries at Road Construction Sites

From 1995 to 2002, 844 workers were killed while working at a road construction site. More than half of these fatalities were attributable to a worker being struck by a vehicle or mobile equipment that was in normal operation.

Although 28 percent of the workers who were killed by being struck by a vehicle or mobile equipment at a road construction site were struck by automobiles, 31 percent were struck by construction-related equipment such as dump trucks and construction machinery.



Worker fatalities at road construction sites resulting from being struck by a vehicle or mobile equipment, by source of the fatality, 1995–2002

All struck by vehicle or mobile equipment incidents	509
Vehicles	446
Trucks	274
Dump trucks	100
Pickup trucks	57
Semitrailer, tractor trailer, or trailer trucks	53
Automobiles	143
Machinery	63

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