

Table 2. Fatal occupational injuries by worker characteristics and event or exposure, Virginia, 2008

Worker characteristics	Total fatalities (number)	Event or exposure ¹					
		Transportation incidents ²	Assaults and violent acts ³	Contact with objects and equipment	Falls	Exposure to harmful substances or environments	Fires and explosions
Total.....	154	52	37	27	20	14	4
Employee Status							
Wage and Salary Workers ⁴	124	41	28	22	19	13	--
Self-employed ⁵	30	11	9	5	--	--	3
Gender							
Men.....	145	45	36	26	20	14	4
Women.....	9	7	--	--	--	--	--
Age							
Under 16 years.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
16 to 17 years.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
18 to 19 years.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
20 to 24 years.....	12	6	3	--	--	--	--
25 to 34 years.....	22	5	9	5	--	--	--
35 to 44 years.....	30	9	8	5	--	6	--
45 to 54 years.....	37	11	10	4	8	3	--
55 to 64 years.....	36	13	5	7	6	--	3
65 years and over.....	15	6	--	4	--	--	--
Race or Ethnic Origin⁶							
White, non-Hispanic.....	106	37	24	19	14	10	--
Black, non-Hispanic.....	25	8	6	5	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino.....	16	6	--	3	4	--	--
American Indian or Alaska Native.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Asian.....	6	--	5	--	--	--	--
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

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

² Includes highway, nonhighway, air, water, rail fatalities, and fatalities resulting from being struck by a vehicle.

³ Includes violence by persons, self-inflicted injury, and attacks by animals.

⁴ May include volunteers and workers receiving other types of compensation.

⁵ 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.

⁶ Persons identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. The race

categories shown exclude data for Hispanics and Latinos.

NOTE: Totals for major categories may include subcategories not shown separately. Dashes indicate no data reported or data that do not meet publication criteria. Data for 2008 are preliminary.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, in cooperation with State and Federal agencies, Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries