

Motor Vehicle Fatalities Accepted by the Workers' Compensation Board

Year to date, numbers as of December 31, 2010

The fatalities listed represent motor vehicle fatalities that have been accepted by the Workers' Compensation Board and recorded by the month accepted.

Motor vehicle fatalities typically involve non-industrial vehicles operating on public roads, where the fatally injured worker was either the driver or a passenger. This type of occupational fatality also includes cases involving aircraft crashes, train crashes, helicopter crashes and water vehicle crashes.

Industry Descriptions

Industry Sector	Description
Agriculture and Forestry	Includes greenhouses and market gardens, feed lots, timber management, logging and related woodlands operations including the trucking of logs.
Business, Personal and Professional Services	Includes building and grounds maintenance, financial services, restaurants, hotels and recreation facilities, security services, and professional services such as engineering.
Construction and Construction Trades	Includes the construction of houses, apartments, industrial plants, roads, bridges and pipelines, and specialized construction trades (e.g. plumbing, painting, roofing, and bricklaying).
Manufacturing and Processing	Involves manufacturing beyond the raw product: includes saw mills, pulp mills, food and beverages, metal fabrication, petrochemicals, and oil refineries.
Mining and Petroleum Development	Includes underground and open pit mining, oil sands mining and processing, operation of oil and gas wells, drilling and servicing of wells, and related services in the oil fields.
Public Administration, Education and Health Services	Includes the provincial government, all forms of local government, universities, colleges, business schools, libraries, hospitals and long term care facilities.
Transportation, Communication and Utilities	Includes public transportation (air, rail, bus), trucking, radio, television, live theatre, electricity, natural gas and garbage collection.
Wholesale And Retail Trade	Includes food and beverage stores, department stores, home improvement centers, and sale and service of automobiles and equipment.

Industry Sector	2010 Number of Fatalities (year-to-date)	2009 Number of Fatalities (year-to-date)
Agriculture and Forestry	1	2
Business, Personal and Professional Services	0	1
Construction and Construction Trades	12	1
Manufacturing and Processing	0	2
Mining and Petroleum Development	4	2
Public Administration, Education and Health Services	3	0
Transportation, Communication and Utilities	9	7
Wholesale and Retail Trade	0	2
TOTAL	29	17
Delayed Fatalities ¹	2	3

Date of Acceptance	Description
Agriculture and Forestry	
February 2010	A 49-year old truck driver was driving an empty logging truck when an oncoming truck swerved into the worker's traffic lane and collided at highway speeds.
Construction and Construction Trades	
February 2010	A 36-year old electrician was fatally injured as a result of a head-on collision with another vehicle.
April 2010	A 39-year old machine operator was involved in a single motor vehicle accident while travelling to work site.
May 2010	A surveyor was involved in a single vehicle MVA when the ATV he was riding rolled over.
June 2010	A 25-year old ground hand was involved in a single MVA when he lost control of his vehicle after falling asleep while driving.
June 2010	A 61-year old contractor was involved in a single MVA when he lost control of his vehicle after catching the side of the road and rolling.
July 2010	A 23-year old firefighter was involved in a multiple vehicle accident when struck by another vehicle and rolled – worker was driver of vehicle.

¹ Delayed or latent motor vehicle fatalities include workers involved in a motor vehicle incident that did not become a fatality until a much later date, often years later. From 2007, these incidents are to be categorized under the original incident. Previously, these workers have been classified and recorded as occupational disease fatalities. Delayed fatalities have not been included in the year-to-date total as they do not reflect present hazards or exposures.

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July 2010	A 28-year old firefighter was involved in a multiple vehicle accident when struck by another vehicle and rolled – worker was passenger in the vehicle.
July 2010	A 51-year old equipment operator was passenger in a truck that attempted to pass a motor-scraper that was turning left. Worker was struck by the front end of this vehicle as it impacted the truck.
September 2010	A 35-year old environmental consultant was involved in a multiple MVA when the vehicle proceeded through a stop sign and collided with another vehicle in the intersection.
September 2010	A 40-year old rigger was involved in a multiple MVA when his vehicle collided with a semi truck.
December 2010	A 39-year old labourer was involved in a multiple MVA when the company vehicle he and other employees were in collided with another oncoming vehicle that lost control and crossed the centre line.
December 2010	A 21-year old labourer was involved in a multiple MVA when the company vehicle he and other employees were in collided with another oncoming vehicle that lost control and crossed the centre line.
Mining and Petroleum Development	
February 2010	A 59-year old field operator was travelling on a primary highway and collided head-on with an oncoming vehicle that crossed the centre line.
April 2010	A 42-year old operator lost control of the vehicle he was driving and clipped a guard rail, entered the ditch and rolled.
November 2010	A 48-year old rig manager was involved in a single vehicle MVA when his vehicle rolled after losing control.
December 2010	A 66-year old construction supervisor was involved in a multiple MVA when the vehicle he was driving crossed the centre line and struck an oncoming vehicle.
Public Administration, Education and Health Services	
January 2010	A 65-year old boiler operator was travelling on a secondary highway when the vehicle crossed the centre lane, struck a guardrail and went over the bridge landing on the river bank below.
November 2010	A 47-year old cook was involved in a multiple MVA when worker crossed centre line and collided with a bus.
December 2010	A 65-year old paramedic was involved in a multiple vehicle MVA when an oncoming vehicle collided with the ambulance the worker was riding in.
Transportation , Communication and Utilities	
January 2010	A 36-year old truck driver, owner/operator was travelling on a single lane bridge and, in attempting to brake to avoid colliding with oncoming traffic, spun out of control causing the vehicle to fall over the bridge embankment into the river.

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April 2010	A 29-year old truck driver was involved in a multi-vehicle motor vehicle accident when the tractor trailer collided with another tractor trailer.
June 2010	A 63-year old baggage delivery agent was involved in a head-on collision with a semi trailer-truck when his vehicle crossed into the oncoming lane on a secondary highway.
June 2010	A 23-year old truck driver lost control of the vehicle after trying to recover from going into the ditch, resulting in a fatal roll over.
July 2010	A 50-year old truck driver was involved in a single vehicle rollover when he lost control of semi-trailer vehicle.
September 2010	A 39-year old truck driver was involved in a multi MVA when two tractor trailers collided.
October 2010	A 31-year old aircraft pilot was killed when the 12-seat Beechcraft King Air 100 charter flight he was piloting crashed
November 2010	A 41-year old truck driver was driving on a secondary highway and collided with a truck that turned onto the highway at an intersection. The worker was not wearing a seat belt and was ejected from the vehicle.
December 2010	A 50-year old subcontractor was involved in a multiple MVA when a garbage truck passing a snowplow collided with his truck head on.
Delayed Fatalities	
February 2010	[Transportation and Utilities] A 66 year old worker died from medical complications related to the effects of quadriplegia as a result of a work related MVA accident in 1997.
July 2010	[Mining and Petroleum Development] A 68-year old well drilling supervisor died from medical complications related to permanent disabilities caused by an MVA in 1979.