

Workplace incident fatalities are cases where a worker dies at a work site, or as a result of injuries sustained at a work site. This is the type of fatality that Workplace Health and Safety typically investigates.

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.
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.
Manufacturing and Processing	Involves manufacturing beyond the raw product: includes saw mills, pulp mills, food and beverages, metal fabrication, petrochemicals, and oil refineries.
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).
Transportation, Communication and Utilities	Includes public transportation (air, rail, bus), trucking, radio, television, live theatre, electricity, natural gas and garbage collection.
Retail and Wholesale Trade	Includes food and beverage stores, department stores, home improvement centres, and sale and service of automobiles and equipment.
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.
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.



Industry Sector	Year-to-date 2006	Year-to-date 2005¹
Agriculture and Forestry	2	1
Business, Personal and Professional Services	0	1
Construction and Construction Trades	17	11
Manufacturing and Processing	7	8
Mining and Petroleum Development	6	4
Public Administration, Education and Health Services	0	2
Retail and Wholesale Trade	2	2
Transportation, Communication and Utilities	2	3
Unspecified	0	1
TOTAL	36	33

Date of Acceptance	Description
AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY	
March 13	A 48-year old male worker, the owner/operator of a logging truck, was fatally injured while his truck was being offloaded when a log fell off and struck the worker on the head.
October 12	A 55-year old male worker, employed as a foreman, and a co-worker were felling a tree. As the tree fell, it hit a dead tree and the top of the dead tree kicked back hitting the foreman.
CONSTRUCTION AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES	
February 22	A 48-year old male worker, employed as a truck driver, lost control of his vehicle while attempting to make a sharp right hand turn on the way to a work site. The truck left the road and rolled down a steep hillside. The worker was not wearing a seat belt and was thrown from the truck and fatally injured.
April 18	A 47-year old male worker, employed as a heating and air conditioning installer, was working on an inlet of a Heating Ventilating and Air-Conditioning System (HVAC) located on the outside of a prefabricated building. He was on a ladder and fell approximately three meters onto gravel.
May 18	A 42-year old male worker, employed as a pipe fitter, suffered a heart attack while laying 10 inch plastic line.
May 19	A 58-year old male worker, employed as a sheet metal worker, while accessing the flat roof of a building to work on an air conditioning unit, complained of chest pains and sat down on the roof hatch opening. The worker was fatally injured when he fell backwards through the roof hatch and down the stairwell.
May 29	A 41-year old female worker, employed as a labourer, was cleaning up an area under an oriented strand board stacker (OSB) when the stacker went through an automatic cycle pinning the worker.

¹ Based on 2005 industry sector classification

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June 28	A 22-year old male worker, employed as a sheet metal installer/iron worker, was installing and insulating a sheet metal roof at a work site. The worker was not tied off to a fall protection system and fell approximately 18.3 m.
June 30	A 27-year old male welder and his 26 year old male helper were fatally injured while welding the outside of a shipping container when s leaking propane bottle inside the container caused an explosion.
July 15	A 57-year old male worker, employed as a heavy equipment operator was fatally injured while he and another heavy equipment operator were undertaking preliminary work for a new road construction. They were using a ripper on a Caterpillar to remove trees tied together with a sling. The operator of the Caterpillar lost site of the other worker while backing up and the co-worker was crushed by the ripper against a tree stump.
July 26	A 47-year old male worker was walking on the roof and fell through an access opening to the concrete floor, 25 feet below.
August 8	A 64-year old male worker, employed as a scaffolder, was working with a co-worker de-slugging the inside of a boiler when a motor failed on a swing stage. Both workers suffered heat stress. The worker in critical condition passed away.
September 7	A 33-year old male worker, employer as a surveyor, was a passenger in a vehicle which rolled. The worker was not wearing a seatbelt.
September 8	A 31-year old male worker, employed as a crane operator, was travelling to a work site with a 60 tonne crane and it went off the road and rolled, fatally injuring the operator.
October 6	A 20-year old male worker, employed as an apprentice plumber, collapsed and slid down a slope, dropping into a 1.5 m deep excavation. He was found face down in the mud.
October 14	A male worker (unspecified age), employed as a labourer/grade checker was fatally injured at a construction site. A paver was laying a strip of asphalt surfacing along the runway. Tandem-axle dump trucks supplying asphalt were backing up. At the time of the incident, the worker was standing on the north edge of the section being graded, close to but not in the path of the truck. The truck was moving slowly and the backup alarm was working. When the truck was very close to the worker, the passenger side rear wheels caught the worker's leg and he was pulled under the truck.
December 1	A 46-year old male worker, employed as a truck driver, was attempting to off-load a pipeline sideboom from a transport trailer. While trying to drive the sideboom off the back end of the transport trailer, the sideboom rolled off. The worker tried to jump off and stay clear of the sideboom but was crushed when the sideboom fell to the ground and rolled on him.
December 23	A 46-year old male worker, employed as a swamper and a vacuum truck operator were cleaning out shale from inside a vacuum truck. While the operator manipulated the hydraulic controls for the rear door, the swamper arrived and went to the rear of the truck. The swamper was struck by the moving rear door and received fatal head injuries.
MANUFACTURING, PROCESSING AND PACKING	
January 11	A 53-year old male worker, employed as a journeyman fitter, was working on a large steel pipe when it shifted, striking him.

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January 31	A 22-year old male worker, employed as a labourer, was pinned between a tank that was being moved by a mobile crane and a stationary tank.
March 11	A 40-year old female worker, employed as a welder, was found on the floor of the welding shop, it appears she fell from the mezzanine level.
June 1	A 44-year old male worker, owner of company, was working on a voltach bombardier (which purifies glass neon tubes). He came in contact with electrical wires and was electrocuted.
June 14	A 56-year old male worker, employed as a swamper, was fatally injured while handling 30 inch diameter x 80 foot long pipe which was rolling down a ramp. The worker was caught in the pipes.
June 30	A 27-year old male worker, employed as a welder, was fatally injured while he and the welder's helper were welding on the outside of a shipping container and an explosion occurred. The container had propane bottles, a gasoline can, paint and aerosol cans and other oilfield tools and equipment inside prior to the explosion.
November 8	A 26-year old male worker, employed as a welder, and his assistant were welding on top of a 750 barrel tank when it exploded fatally injuring the welder and injuring his assistant.
MINING AND PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENT	
January 3	A 43-year old male worker employed as a foreman, was found lying beside a rail car at a sulphur production facility. The worker died en-route to hospital.
January 12	A 37-year old male worker, employed as a well control supervisor, was on his way back from a job site when he lost control of his truck on an icy gravel road, went into the ditch and struck a power pole.
January 24	A 19-year old male worker, employed as a directional drilling labourer, was fatally injured after being struck on the head with the bucket of a trackhoe.
February 28	A 46-year old male worker, employed as a salesman/operations, collided with a loaded log truck that had the right-of-way at an intersection on a log haul road. The worker failed to stop at a stop sign.
March 18	A 55-year old male worker, employed as a driller, was loading a rig for a move. Workers use a winch mounted on a truck to pull the draw-works and derrick section clear of other rig sections. At some stage, the worker moved underneath the rig substructure from the passenger side of the trailer. The worker was found trapped and crushed in a pinch point between a fixed part of the substructure and a moving part of the draw-works and derrick section.
July 31	A 45-year old male worker, employed as a consultant, was fatally injured when a wellhead was being pressure tested with nitrogen and catastrophically failed.
RETAIL AND WHOLESALE TRADE	
September 17	A 28-year old male worker, employed as a field operator, was setting up a meteorological tower for environmental monitoring near a drilling rig location. While raising the tower, contact was made with an energized overhead power line. The worker received an electrical shock of 14, 400 volts.
September 22	A 32-year old male worker, employed as a meat cutter, was fatally injured when he unintentionally stabbed himself in the eye and the knife went through his brain.

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TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION AND UTILITIES	
June 2	A 26-year old male worker, employed as a driver, was fatally injured in a single vehicle rollover. The driver of the vehicle answered his cell phone and lost control of the vehicle. The passenger died at the scene, he did not have his seatbelt on.
June 4	A 59-year old male worker, owner of company, was caught and crushed between the cab of the truck and the flatbed deck as it was moved forward.