



# OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH

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## WORK-RELATED FATALITIES IN MONTANA

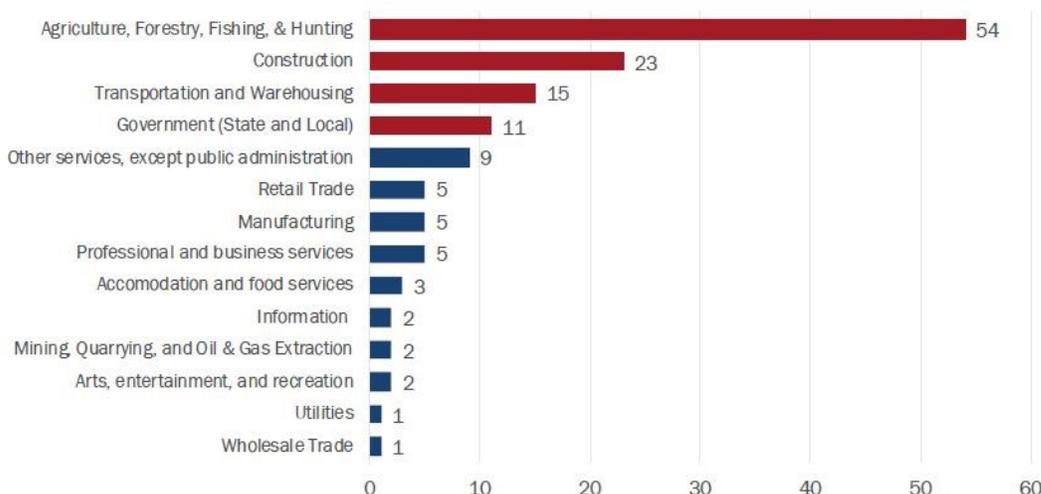
Montana has one of the highest work-related fatality rates in the country. In 2016, 38 workers lost their lives while on the job in Montana. Employers and workers are faced with challenges every day, but a workplace fatality is never just part of the job.

Our new report on worker fatalities provides an overview of worker deaths in Montana, as well as practical action steps to take to prevent fatalities in the future.

### Summary: Worker Deaths in Montana

- **Transportation incidents** accounted for **50%** of all worker deaths in Montana from 2004 to 2016.
  - The majority of workers who died in transportation incidents worked in agricultural and transportation industries and occupations.
- One-third of all worker deaths were in the **Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, and Hunting** industry from 2012-2016.
  - **ATVs (all-terrain vehicles)** were involved in 7 worker deaths in 2014-2016.
- Half of the workers who died in the Construction industry in 2016 were from **falls to a lower level**.
- Workers in the 45 years old and up age group had the highest number of worker deaths, but represented less than half of all employed workers in Montana.
  - **71%** of all workers who died from 2012-2016 were **45 years old and up**.

### Counts of Worker Deaths by Industry in Montana, 2012-2016



## NOTEWORTHY NEWS

Read our full report on work-related fatalities in Montana online at our website, <http://mtworkerhealth.mt.gov>

Sign up for a [Montana DRIVE Workshop](#) in Lewistown to learn safe driving skills on a real closed-driving track this summer!

### Health & Safety Resources:

[ATV Rider Safety Online](#) - Training covers ATV safety gear and safe riding strategies, plus agricultural uses (Cost: \$25)

[Prevent Fatigued Driving for Workers](#) and [Employers](#) - Fact sheet shares tips to prevent fatigued driving for workers faced with long trips

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