

FEDERATION OF NY SOLID WASTE ASSOCIATIONS CONFERENCE & TRADE SHOW

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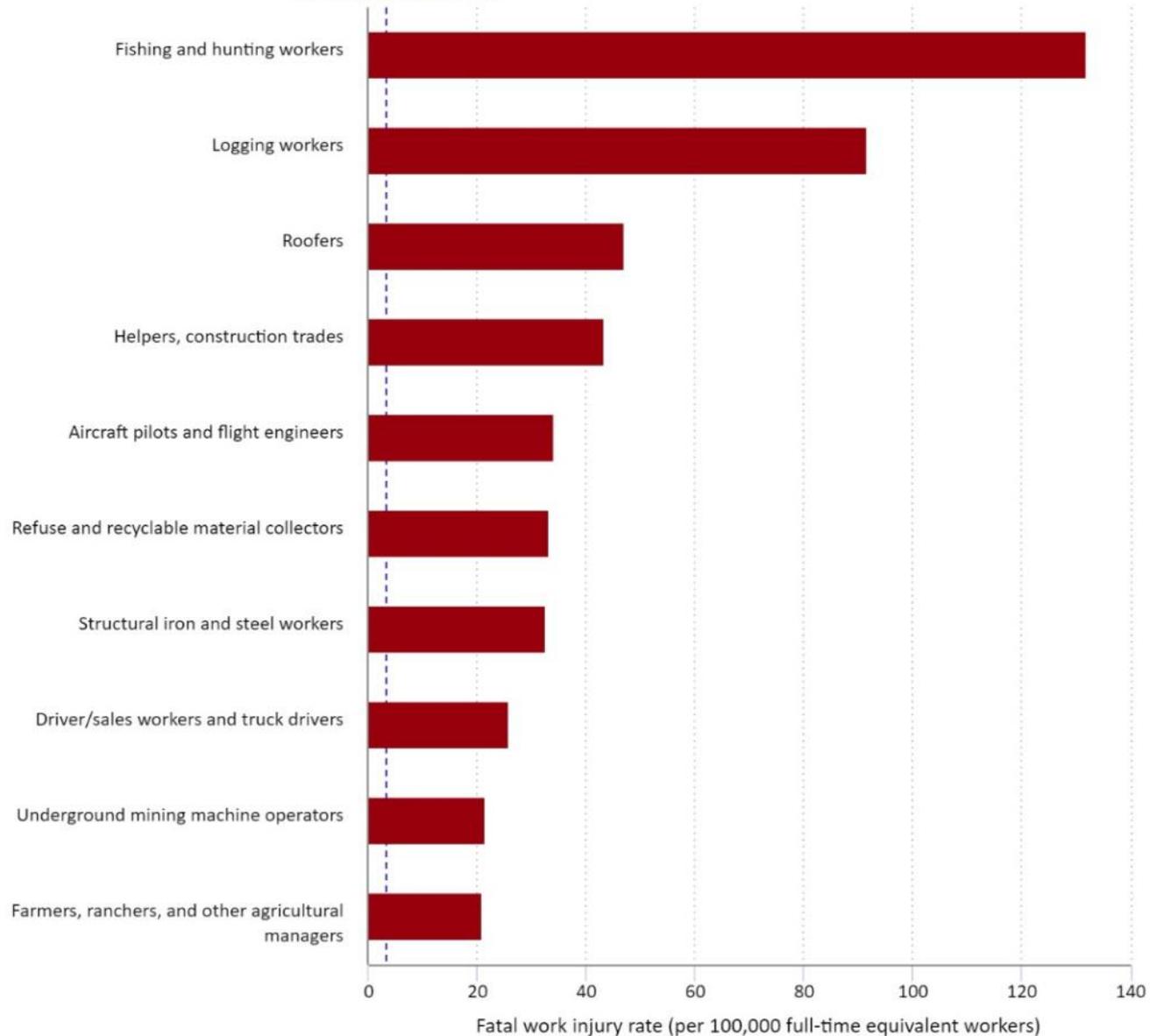
OSHA's Continuing Mission

- OSHA and its state partners, coupled with efforts of employers, safety & health professionals, unions and advocates, have helped **dramatically reduce** workplace injuries and illnesses.
- Worker fatalities in America are **down**— on average, from 38 workers a day in 1970 to **15** a day in **2019**.
- Worker injuries and illnesses are **down**— from 10.9 incidents per 100 workers in 1972 to **2.8** per 100 in **2019**.

Civilian occupations with high fatal work injury rates, 2020

Fatal work injury rate (per 100,000 full-time equivalent workers) Number of fatal work injuries

Total, all workers, 3.4



Hover over chart to view data. Click legend to change data display.
Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.



Fatalities (rate and numbers)

CIVILIAN OCCUPATIONS WITH HIGH FATAL WORK INJURY RATES, 2020

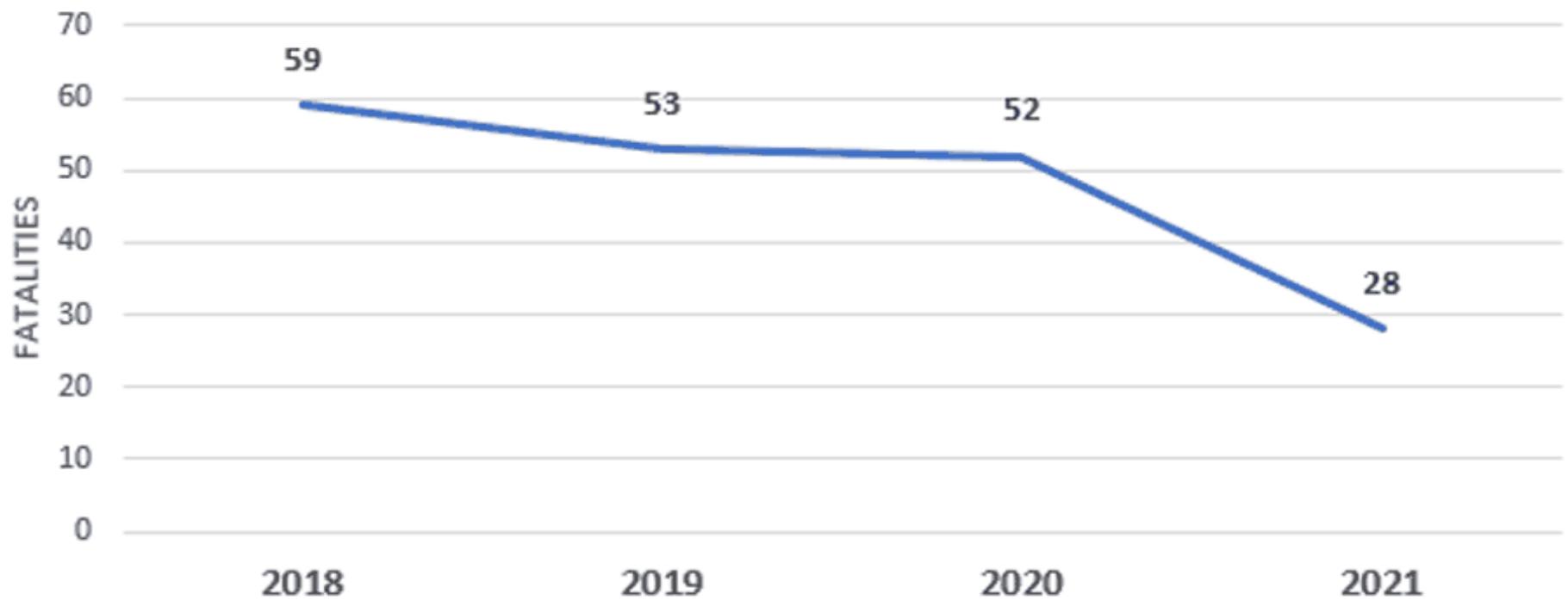
Occupation	Fatal work injury rate (per 100,000 full-time equivalent workers)	Number of fatal work injuries
All workers	3.4	
Fishing and hunting workers	132.1	42
Logging workers	91.7	42
Roofers	47.0	88
Helpers, construction trades	43.3	19
Aircraft pilots and flight engineers	34.3	50
Refuse and recyclable material collectors	33.1	30
Structural iron and steel workers	32.5	16
Driver/sales workers and truck drivers	25.8	887
Underground mining machine operators	21.6	10
Farmers, ranchers, and other agricultural managers	20.9	207

See data definitions at www.bls.gov/iif/oshcdef.htm.

Fatality Rates- per 100,000 Full-time Equivalent Workers

All Workers	3.4
Refuse & Recyclable Material Collectors	33.1

WORKER FATALITIES 2018 - 2021



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The Alliance will work to reduce and prevent worker exposure to hazards and reduce workplace fatalities and injuries through:

- Share information on OSHA's National/Regional/Local Initiatives, occupational safety and health laws and standards as well as the rights and responsibilities of workers and employers.
- Cooperatively speak, exhibit, or appear at OSHA and SWANA conferences, chapter meetings, or other events.
- Joint participation in forums, roundtable discussions, or stakeholder meetings on solid waste industry hazards.
- Sharing of information among OSHA personnel and industry safety and health professionals regarding the solid waste industry's best practices.
- Encouragement worker participation in safety and health advisory committees.
- Encouraging SWANA members and industry stakeholders to build relationships with OSHA's Cooperative Programs, such as the Safety & Health Achievement Recognition Program and the Voluntary Protection Program; and utilize OSHA's On-Site Consultation Program to improve health and safety in solid waste workplaces.
- Collaborate with other Alliance Program participants to address workplace safety and health issues.
- Encouraging worksites with SWANA presence to build relationships with OSHA's Regional and Area Offices to address health and safety issues, including transportation-related hazards.

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- Development of effective training and education materials for collection, processing, and disposal workers in the solid waste industry on topics including transportation hazards, such as backovers and distracted driving; slips, trips, and falls; needlestick or other puncture injuries; heat and cold stress; musculoskeletal injuries; permit-required confined spaces; biological and chemical hazards; and other solid waste industry hazards.
- Promoting the value of safety and health programs in improving safety performance and to communicate such information to constituent employers and workers.
- Delivering or arrange for the delivery of training courses relating to the implementation of safe work practices while engaged in collection, disposal and processing activities.
- Utilizing worker participation, develop effective training and education programs for the solid waste industry to promote understanding of workers' rights, including the use of the OSHA complaint process, and the responsibilities of employers and to communicate such information to workers and employers.



OSHA REGIONAL INSTRUCTION

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

DIRECTIVE NUMBER: 2019-05

EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/1/2018

SUBJECT: Regional Emphasis Program – Warehousing and Refuse Handlers and Haulers

REGIONAL IDENTIFIER: Region 2

- Refuse Handlers and Haulers and Recycling: (NAICS Codes 562111, 562112, 562119, 562211, 562212, 562213, 562219 and 562920) Data indicates that workers continue to die in incidents related to refuse collection activities, waste hauling, waste transfer operations and refuse handling, and recycling operations. The number of annual fatalities has remained fairly constant over the years, indicating the need for continuing emphasis on this hazard. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported that in 2017 there was a final report of 63 fatalities in waste management and remediation services. In 2017, there were total recordable cases of 4.2 per 100 full time workers, higher than the 2.8 per 100 workers reported for all private sector industries.

OSHA REP 2019-05

Procedures (excerpt)

- D. All inspections conducted under this REP will be comprehensive. (Please see comprehensive in scope as defined in the Field Operations Manual (FOM) in Chapter 3. III. A. : “Comprehensive - A substantially complete inspection of the potentially high hazard areas of the establishment. An inspection may be deemed comprehensive even though, as a result of the exercise of professional judgment, not all potentially hazardous conditions, operations and practices within those areas are inspected.”
- E. Any refuse handler and hauler observed not adhering to safety rules will be inspected in accordance with the Imminent Danger and referral procedures

Compliance Assistance Specialists

- Work out of OSHA's Area Offices
- Provide general information about OSHA's standards and compliance assistance resources
- Available for seminars, workshops, and speaking events



Compliance Assistance Specialists



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Compliance Assistance Specialists (CAS)

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How can a CAS help me?

- Compliance Assistance Specialists in OSHA's Regional and Area Offices around the country provide outreach to a variety of groups free of charge.
- These groups include small businesses and other employers, trade and professional associations, union locals, and community and faith-based groups.
- Compliance Assistance Specialists can provide general information about OSHA's compliance assistance resources and how to comply with OSHA standards.
- They are available for seminars, workshops, and speaking events.
- They also promote and help implement OSHA's cooperative programs, including the Voluntary Protection Programs, the Strategic Partnership Program, and the Alliance Program.

How do I contact my local CAS?

- Check the [Compliance Assistance Specialist Directory](#) for the CAS in your local office.

What if I'm in a state with an OSHA-approved program?

- Contact your local [State Plan office](#) for compliance assistance.

Who else can I contact for help?

- [Regional Labor Liaisons](#)
- [Regional Diverse Workforce/Limited English Proficiency Coordinators](#)
- [On-Site Consultation Program](#)
- [Regional and Area Offices](#)

Compliance Assistance Specialists in Action



OSHA's Compliance Assistance Specialists and other field staff conducted more than 5,700 outreach activities reaching more than 1.9 million people in fiscal year 2021.

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OSHA On-Site Consultation Program

- No cost to employers
- Separate from enforcement and confidential
- Identifies workplace hazards
- Advises on compliance with OSHA standards
- Helps employers establish safety and health programs
- More than 670,000 workers removed from hazards in FY 2021



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