

Identifying workplace injuries related to Agriculture, Forestry, and Fishing (AgFF) in Florida

What do workplace injuries tell us about safety and health risks?

Fatal injuries by AgFF Sector

Data collected from death certificates, OSHA inspections, news reports, and AgInjuryNews.org showed there were 33 agriculture, fishing, and forestry-related fatalities recorded in Florida in 2020.



What are the causes of fatal & nonfatal injuries in Florida agriculture?



Transportation (43%)



Contact with objects or equipment (19.6%)



Exposure to harmful substances or environments (19.6%)



Falls, slips, or trips (10.6%)



Violence by persons, animals, or other causes (7.2%)

Transportation incidents were responsible for the largest portion of agricultural workplace injuries. Half of all transportation incidents occurred on roadways, while all pedestrian vehicular injuries occurred in non-roadway areas.

This information suggests future educational training efforts should focus on preventing vehicular transportation injuries on worksites and roadways. In addition, all worksite vehicles should include back-up cameras and alarms for worker safety.

Who is at risk for injuries related to agriculture in Florida?

While most (85.1%) AgFF workplace injuries occurred among workers, a portion (9.8%) of these injuries were in non-working groups. Individuals under 18 made up over half of all non-worker injuries in agriculture-related incidents.

Most AgFF worker and nonworker injuries occurred in incidents involving vehicles.

