



# Industry data

## Construction

**national safe  
work month**

### FATALITIES



**31 workers**  
killed each year



**31% falls**  
from a height



**15% hit**  
by falling objects



**Nearly 1/3**  
workers aged  
35 and under

### SERIOUS WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS



**12,700**  
serious claims  
each year



**15%**  
muscular stress  
while lifting,  
carrying objects



**14%**  
muscular stress  
while handling  
objects



**Almost 1/3**  
made by construction  
trades workers

Source: Safe Work Australia's work-related traumatic injury fatalities data set 2013-17 and national data set for compensation-based statistics 2012-13 - 2016-17. Note that the Comparative Performance Monitoring Report, published by Safe Work Australia, should be referred to for any comparisons of work health and safety performance across jurisdictions.