Following highway crashes, **Falls from heights** is the second leading unintentional fatal workplace event.

Falls from heights is the single most hazardous injury within the construction industry, representing 38% of all construction fatalities.

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- 52% of fatal falls
- 20% of non-fatal falls

- **<6ft.**: 17%
- **6-10ft.**: 12%
- **11-15ft.**: 12%
- **16-20ft.**: 6%
- **21-25ft.**: 7%
- **26-30ft.**: 16%
- **30ft. +**

Falls from heights resulting in days away from work occur on:
- **Ground Surfaces**: 35%
- **Ladders**: 32%

On average, 2 workers die each workday as a result of a fall.

The fatality rate in the construction & utilities industries is 3.5 per 100,000 worked.

More than 42% of falls to a lower level result in 31+ lost workdays.

To learn more, visit nsc.org/falls