

# WORKPLACE INJURIES IN NEW YORK

HOW DO THESE INJURIES HAPPEN, AND WHAT CAN WORKERS DO FOLLOWING AN INJURY?

Nearly **150,000**

non-fatal workplace injuries and illnesses took place in New York's private sector in 2014, as reported by employers.

In 2014, there were **78 FATAL WORK INJURIES** IN

New York City alone, a 22 percent increase from 2013.

Over **64,000**

injuries & illnesses were reported in state & local government sectors.

## TOP CAUSES OF FATAL WORKPLACE INJURIES:

BEING STRUCK BY OR AGAINST AN OBJECT



10%

WORKPLACE VIOLENCE



32%

FALLS, SLIPS AND TRIPS



26%

TRANSPORTATION ACCIDENTS



18%

## INJURIES IN NYC CONSTRUCTION

**28%**

of workplace fatalities occurred in the construction sector in New York City.

### TOP 4 CAUSES OF CONSTRUCTION FATALITIES:

- Caught in or between objects
- Struck by an object
- Electrocutions
- Falls

Falls in construction are often due to structural collapses, like scaffolding, buildings or cranes.

CONSTRUCTION INJURIES ROSE **34%**

## WHAT SHOULD YOU DO AFTER A WORK INJURY?

- 01** Inform your employer or supervisor of the injury, preferably in writing.
- 02** Seek medical attention.
- 03** Keep records of your bills, treatment and correspondence from your employer.
- 04** Don't speak to your employer's insurance representative.
- 05** Contact an attorney familiar with worker's compensation claims.

Have a work injury? Call for a free consultation.

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#### Resources:

[http://www.bls.gov/regions/new-york-new-jersey/news-release/fatalworkinjuries\\_newyorkcity.htm](http://www.bls.gov/regions/new-york-new-jersey/news-release/fatalworkinjuries_newyorkcity.htm)

<http://www.politico.com/states/new-york/city-hall/story/2015/08/construction-injuries-jumped-34-percent-in-a-year-data-shows-025004>

<https://www.osha.gov/oshstats/commonstats.html>

<https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/scaffolding/>

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