

# Falls Remain Top Cause of Construction Worker Deaths

30 Washington Construction Workers Died from Falls Between 2018 and 2022



## Who were they?

- All were men between 23 and 70 years old.
- Most were Washington state residents.
- Almost half were Hispanic.



## What types of falls?

**57%** fell from or through buildings or structures — most fell from roofs, but some fell from framing and through openings.



**20%** fell from ladders — including one fall from the top rung and one fall while carrying equipment.



**10%** fell from scaffolding.



## What types of work?

**23%** worked in roofing — most fell doing residential roofing.



**13%** worked in new single-family housing construction.



**10%** worked in drywall and insulation.

## How you can prevent falls in construction:

- ✓ Plan ahead and do a job hazard analysis to get the job done safely.
- ✓ Provide the right equipment and inspect it before using.
- ✓ Train everyone and ensure they use equipment safely 100% of the time.

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