

# OCCUPATIONAL FATALITIES IN NEW YORK STATE 2007-2008

## QUICK FACTS ON DEATHS AT WORK



Every day in the United States, 13 people go to work and never come home as a result of workplace-related incidents. These preventable tragedies devastate families and workplaces and damage the economy.

### **How many workers died from traumatic injuries at work in 2007 and 2008?**

- 262 in New York State, excluding NYC

### **What were the leading causes or events that led to deaths at work?**

- Transportation, including motor vehicle collisions, 88
- Contact with objects or equipment, 60
  - Struck by trees, 20
  - Caught in or compressed by equipment, 18
- Falls, 48
- Assaults and violent acts, 39

### **Who was at highest risk? (\*Fatality rate per 100,000 workers.)**

- Loggers, 267 deaths\*
- Roofers, 77.5 deaths\*
- Landscapers, 25.1 deaths\*
- Hispanic/Latino foreign-born workers, 3.58 deaths\*
- All New York State workers, 2.58 deaths\*