

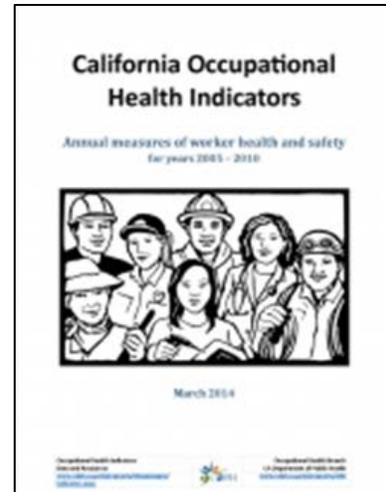
**Focus on...**

Tracking Worker Health in California

On average, twelve workers tragically lose their lives on the job each day in the United States, with 326 workplace deaths in California in 2010. Latino workers are particularly at risk, accounting for 44 percent of fatalities that year, but only 34 percent of the workforce.

All work-related injuries and illnesses can result in substantial human and economic costs, and can be prevented. Having the data necessary to understand the problem is the first step.

That is why the [Occupational Health Branch \(OHB\)](#) of the [California Department of Public Health \(CDPH\)](#) tracks California employment demographics and [20 occupational health indicators](#), presenting the data on our website annually, starting with the year 2000.



A health indicator is a numerical value or statistic that helps us measure the state of health in a community or group. [Occupational health indicators](#) help describe the current state of worker health.

Resources

[California Occupational Health Indicators Report, 2005-2010 \(PDF, 43 pages\)](#)
[Indicators Data Tables](#)
[More on Occupational Health Indicators](#)

[OHB](#) improves California worker health and safety through prevention activities. We gather information on job hazards, test new approaches to prevent worker injury and illness, and help make changes at the workplace.

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