The Health & Safety Executive’s (HSE) annual workplace fatalities statistics for 2019/20 revealed a record low for the number of people that have died at work. The fall of 38 deaths from the previous year is likely to have been accentuated by the impact of COVID-19.

**CAUSES OF FATAL INJURIES:**

- **29** falls from height
- **20** struck by a moving vehicle
- **18** struck by a moving object
- **15** trapped by something collapsing/overturning
- **15** contact with moving machinery
- **11** trapped by something
- **11** collapse/overturning
- **10** contact with moving machinery
- **9** other falling objects
- **7** being caught in or on something
- **6** struck by a moving object
- **6** other specified event

**FATAL INJURIES BY INDUSTRY:**

- **40** construction
- **29** agriculture, forestry and fishing
- **15** manufacturing
- **15** transport and storage
- **11** agriculture, forestry and fishing
- **11** other manufacturing
- **10** others

**WORKING DAYS LOST:**

- **38.8 Million** in 2019/20
- **28.2 Million** in 2018/19

More than half due to mental ill-health such as stress, depression and anxiety.

**CONVICTIONS:**

- **325** prosecuted cases resulted in a conviction
- **£35.8 million** in fines from convictions

“Although Great Britain continues to be up there with the safest places in the world to work, these figures highlight the scale of the challenge HSE currently faces in making Britain an even healthier and safer place to work... [We must continue to drive home the importance of managing risk and promoting behaviours to ensure employers work right so that workers are able to go home healthy and safe at the end of each day].

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