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The leading causes of workplace deaths in the construction industry, called the "Fatal Four" by OSHA, include:

- Falls: Roughly 36.5% of all deaths in the workplace occurred due to employees falling. This professor says the workplace is the fifth leading cause of death in the U.S. Stanford professor Jeffrey Pfeffer doesn't mince words. Workplace stress -- the result of conditions like long hours, a lack of health insurance, little autonomy on the job, high job demands -- don't just hit productivity or damage morale. They're killing us. Construction's "Fatal Four". The leading causes of private sector worker deaths (excluding highway collisions) in the construction industry were falls, followed by struck by object, electrocution, and caught-in/between. These "Fatal Four" were responsible for more than half (63.7%) the construction worker deaths in 2016, BLS reports.
- Homicide is a leading cause of workplace death for women. They accounted for 19 percent of workplace deaths for women, a very close second behind transportation accidents at 20 percent. When men are murdered at work, it's most commonly in the course of a robbery, but for women, it's more likely to be someone they know.

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