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National Work Zone Awareness Week April 20-24, 2026


- Work Zone Safety Training Day: April 20
- National kickoff event: April 21
- **Go Orange Day: April 22**
- Social media storm: April 23
- Moment of Silence: April 24



SAFE ACTIONS SAVE LIVES

2026 National Work Zone Awareness Week

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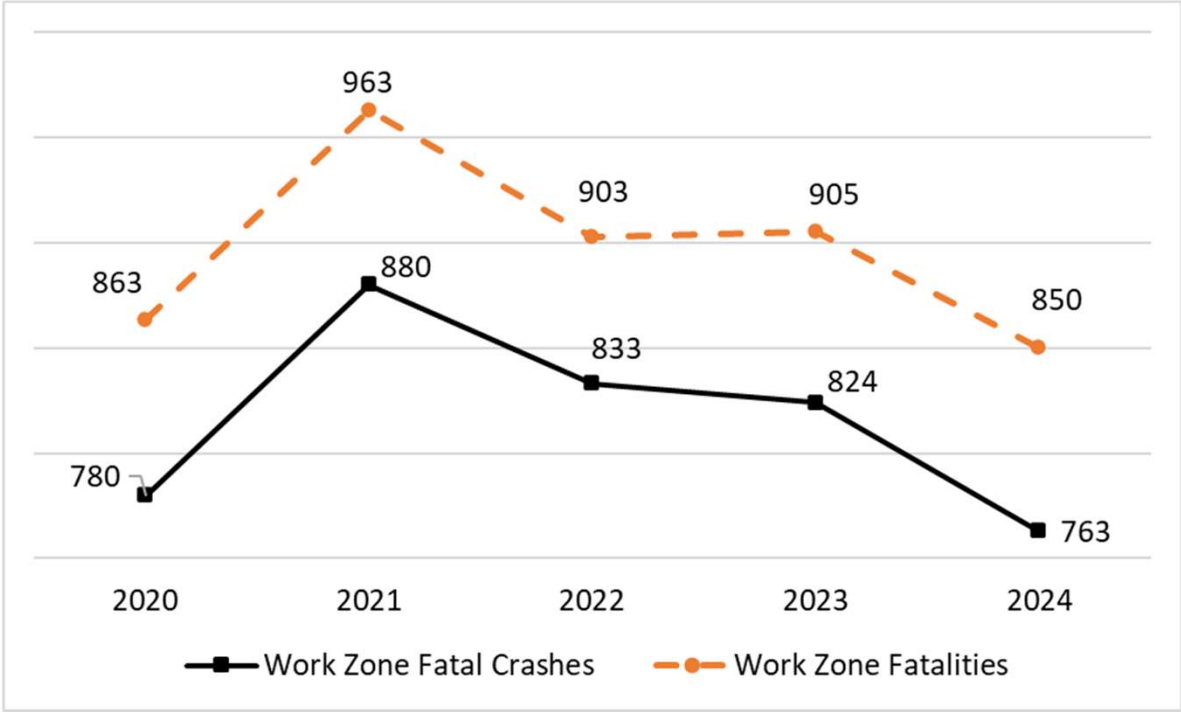


NWZAW.ORG

Source: https://ops.fhwa.dot.gov/wz/outreach/wz_awareness.htm

Work Zone Fatal Crashes and Fatalities

Work Zone Fatal Crashes and Fatalities (2020 – 2024)



Source: FHWA.

Data Source: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration *Fatality Analysis Reporting System 2020–2023 Final Files and 2024 Annual Report File*. FARS data shown here are from the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico.

Safety in Work Zones

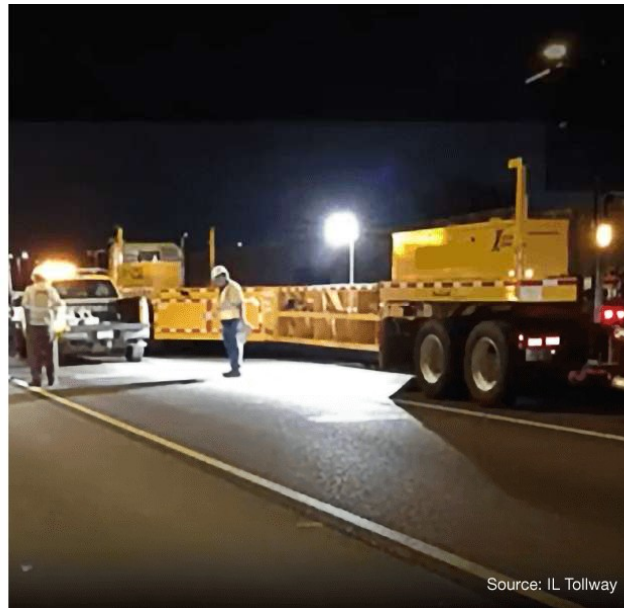
- **Fatalities** in work zone-related motor vehicle crashes **decreased by about 6 percent** from 2023 to 2024.
- From 2023 to 2024, fatal work zone crashes involving **rear-end collisions increased by 1 percent** and those where **speed was involved increased by 5 percent**.
- The percent of fatal work zone crashes **involving commercial motor vehicles remained the same (31 percent)** from 2023 to 2024

Data Source: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) *Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS) 2023 Final File and 2024 Annual Report File*. FARS data shown here are from the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico.

Every Day Counts (EDC)-8 Innovations (2026-2027)

Advancing Nighttime Work Zone Safety

- This initiative aims to offer tools to help transportation agencies adopt safer, more innovative nighttime work zone practices.



Learn More About the Work Zone Management Program

- FHWA Work Zone Management Program home page:
<https://ops.fhwa.dot.gov/wz/index.asp>
- National Work Zone Awareness Week 2026 factsheet:
 - [2026 National Work Zone Awareness Week](#)
- EDC-8 Innovations | Federal Highway Administration:
 - [Advancing Nighttime Work Zone Safety](#)
 - [Connected Corridors](#)
- National Work Zone Safety Information Clearinghouse:
<https://www.workzonesafety.org>



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