

CDC Preventing Work Related Motor Vehicle Crashes



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Preventing work-related motor vehicle crashes

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You can protect your employees and others on the road from being hurt or killed in motor vehicle crashes

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Motor vehicle crashes are the **leading cause of death** among workers in the U.S.

18,716 work-related crash fatalities between 2003 and 2012



12,458 deaths in single- or multiple-vehicle crashes on public roadways



2,942 deaths in crashes that occurred off the highway or on industrial premises



3,316 potential worker deaths as a result of being struck by a motor vehicle

Motor Vehicle Safety Program

Anyone who operates a motor vehicle as part of his or her job is at risk of being involved in a roadway crash. You can help your employees stay safe by creating a **Motor Vehicle Safety Program**. A Motor Vehicle Safety Program can also help protect workers when they are driving for non-work reasons by promoting safe driving behaviors.

Use this fact sheet to guide you in creating a **Motor Vehicle Safety Program** tailored to your company.

When you create your Motor Vehicle Safety Program, give special attention to the things that you know are important to your company. For example, if your company makes deliveries, scheduling work in a way that does not cause workers to feel rushed should be a top priority. Reminders about scheduling should appear in your printed Motor Vehicle Safety Program, on signs, and in correspondence.

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