Contact with or exposure to electricity continues to be one of the leading causes of workplace fatalities and injuries in the United States. Between 2011 and 2021, there was a total of 1,201 workplace fatalities involving electricity reported by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and 1,653 electrical fatalities reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. During this period, 69% of all electrically related fatalities happened in non-electrically related occupations.

Workplace Electrical Fatalities: Bureau of Labor Statistics and OSHA



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*OSHA reports only account for completed accident reports

**Total workplace fatalities as reported by the BLS

Top 10 Occupations Involved in Electrical Fatalities

Electricians 15.15%

Laborers, except construction **10.07**%

Construction laborers 8.99%

Electrical power installers and repairers **8.49**%

Tree trimming occupations **5.33**%

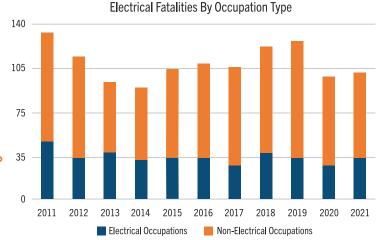
Electricians' apprentices 3.25%

Heating, air conditioning, and refrig, mechanics **2.83**%

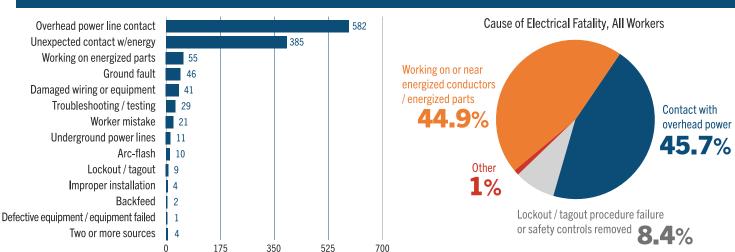
Painters, construction and maintenance 2.75%

Roofers **2.16**%

Truck drivers, heavy 1.92%



■■ Source of Electrical Fatalities, All Workers





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