

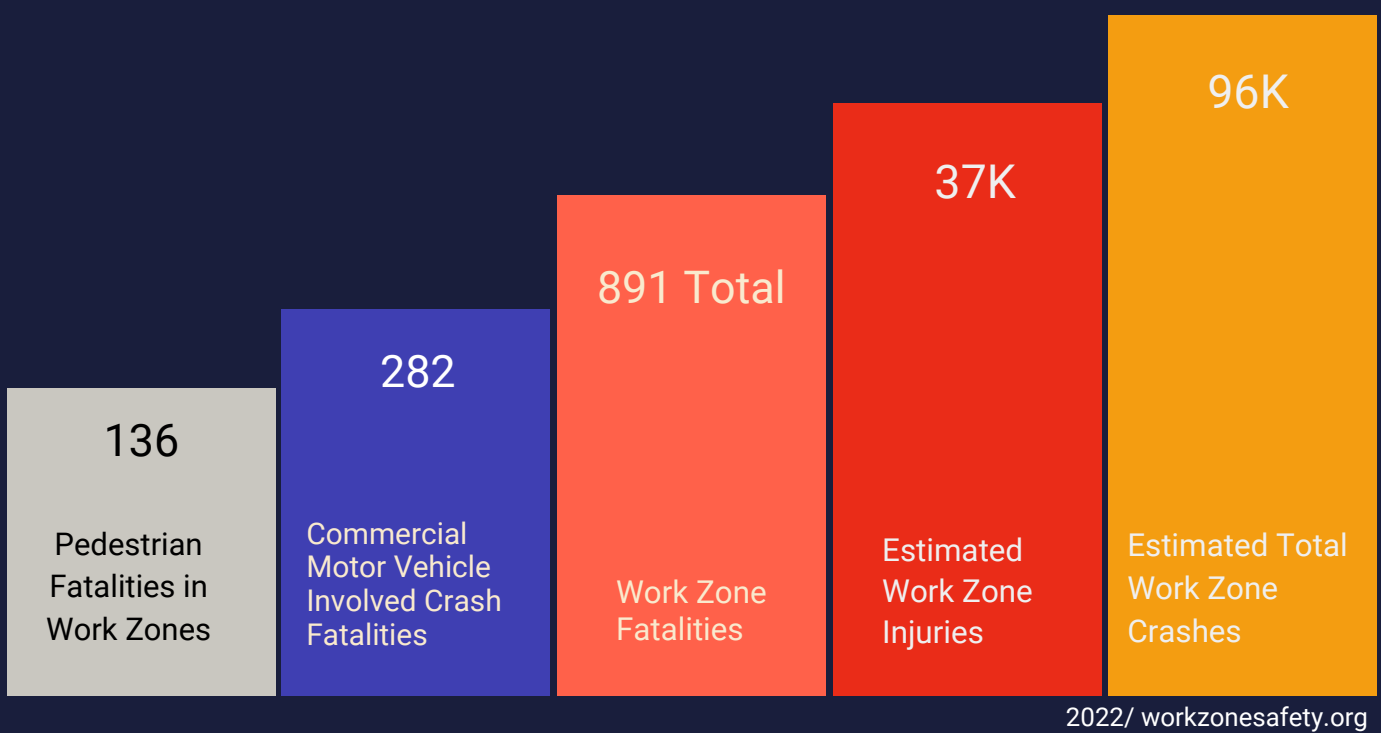
Work Zone Speeding - A Deadly and Costly Risk

Work Zone fatalities have reached an all-time high. Between 2013 and 2021, these fatalities increased by 61 %. In 2021, 105,000 work zone crashes were reported, resulting in over 42,000 injuries and 954 fatalities - the majority of these fatalities were mostly workers on the job.

52%

Of worker fatalities were caused by being struck on foot

Injury and Fatality Statistics from the Bureau of Labor Statistics show: between 2020 and 2022, 51.7% of road worker fatalities were due to workers on foot being struck by vehicles on the job site.



The majority of work zone accidents are caused by speeding vehicles. In the same year, in 34% percent of fatal work zone crashes, speeding vehicles through the work zone was a contributing factor.

32%

Speeding contributed to of work zone fatalities in 2022

Speeding in work zones is not only deadly, is also expensive, for tax payers as well as speed limit violators.

Comprehensive costs of work zone crashes are estimated at annually

\$37.9 billion

and cause 586.5 million hrs vehicle delay, which translate to

\$8.6 billion

in annual user delay cost.¹

Delaware Department of Transportation reported in one week alone, between July 8th and July 14th 2024:

18,000

vehicles per day were recorded traveling at least 11 mph over the posted work zone speed limit.

126,000

drivers were sent warning notices during this grace period before official launch of the enforcement program on July 30th.²

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