

Falls from Ladder or Scaffolding: Pick Six

Lifetime odds of dying in a fall from a ladder or scaffolding: 1 in 9,616 (National Safety Council Odds of Dying)

1:? The United States experienced more ladder-related fatalities, 355 in 2004, than any other nation. That makes it the number one country in the world for ladder deaths.

10:? Most ladder deaths involve falls of 10 feet or less.

39:? Canada recorded 39 deaths from falls on or from ladders in 2004, according to the World Health Organization (WHO).

50: Fifty percent of occupational fall fatalities in the US occur in the construction industry.

70:? Falls account for 70 percent of fatalities involving scaffolds.

164:? The US Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) reports that there are approximately 164,000 ladder-related injuries across the country each year.