

Transportation Trends and Driver Fatigue in the Oil and Gas Extraction Industry

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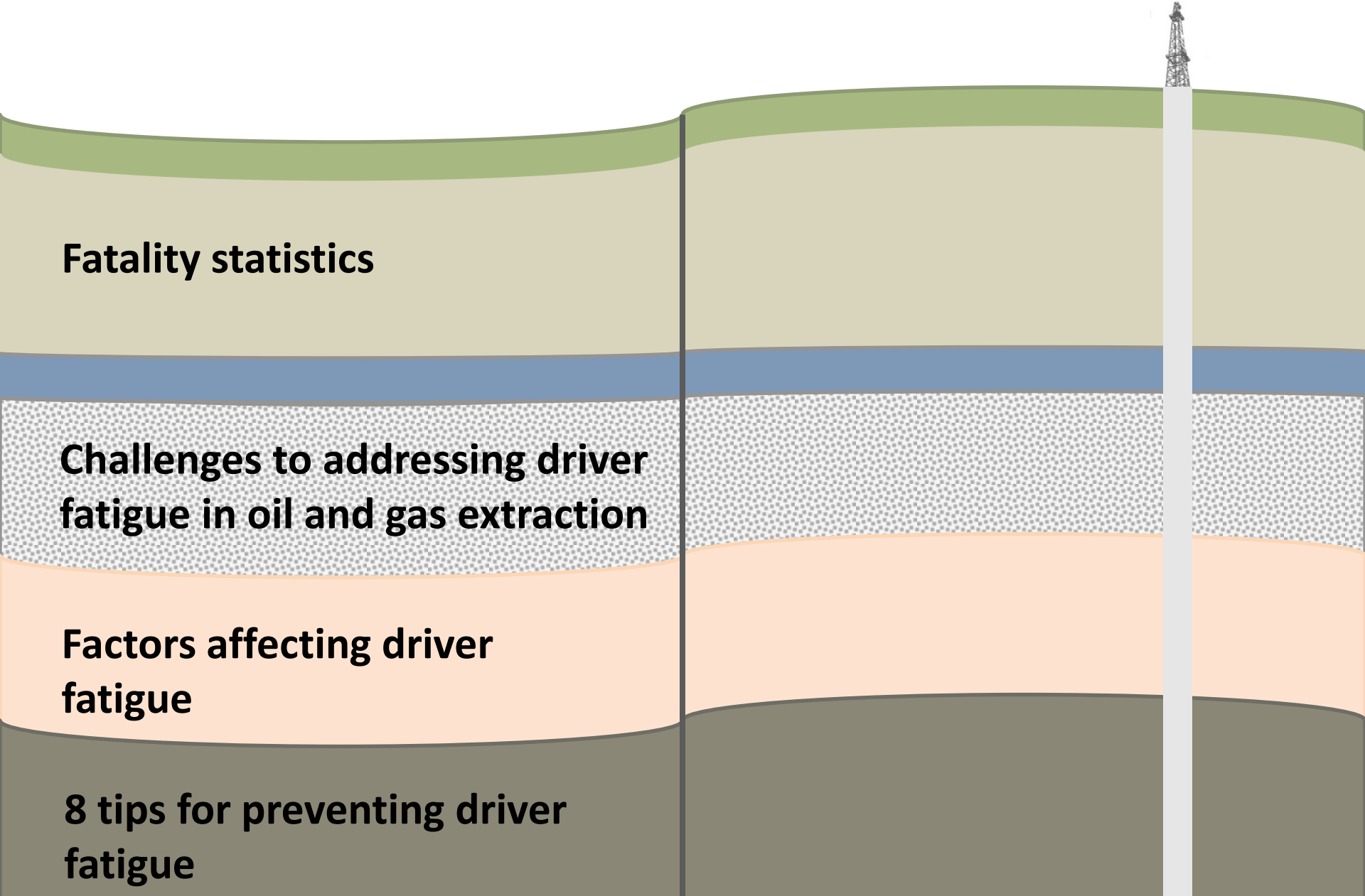
- Part of the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC)
- Generate new knowledge in the field of occupational safety and health
- Transfer that knowledge into practice
- Not regulatory



Video from Natl. Road Safety Foundation: Kevin's Dad

- <http://www.nrsf.org/programs/drowsy-driving>

Session Objectives



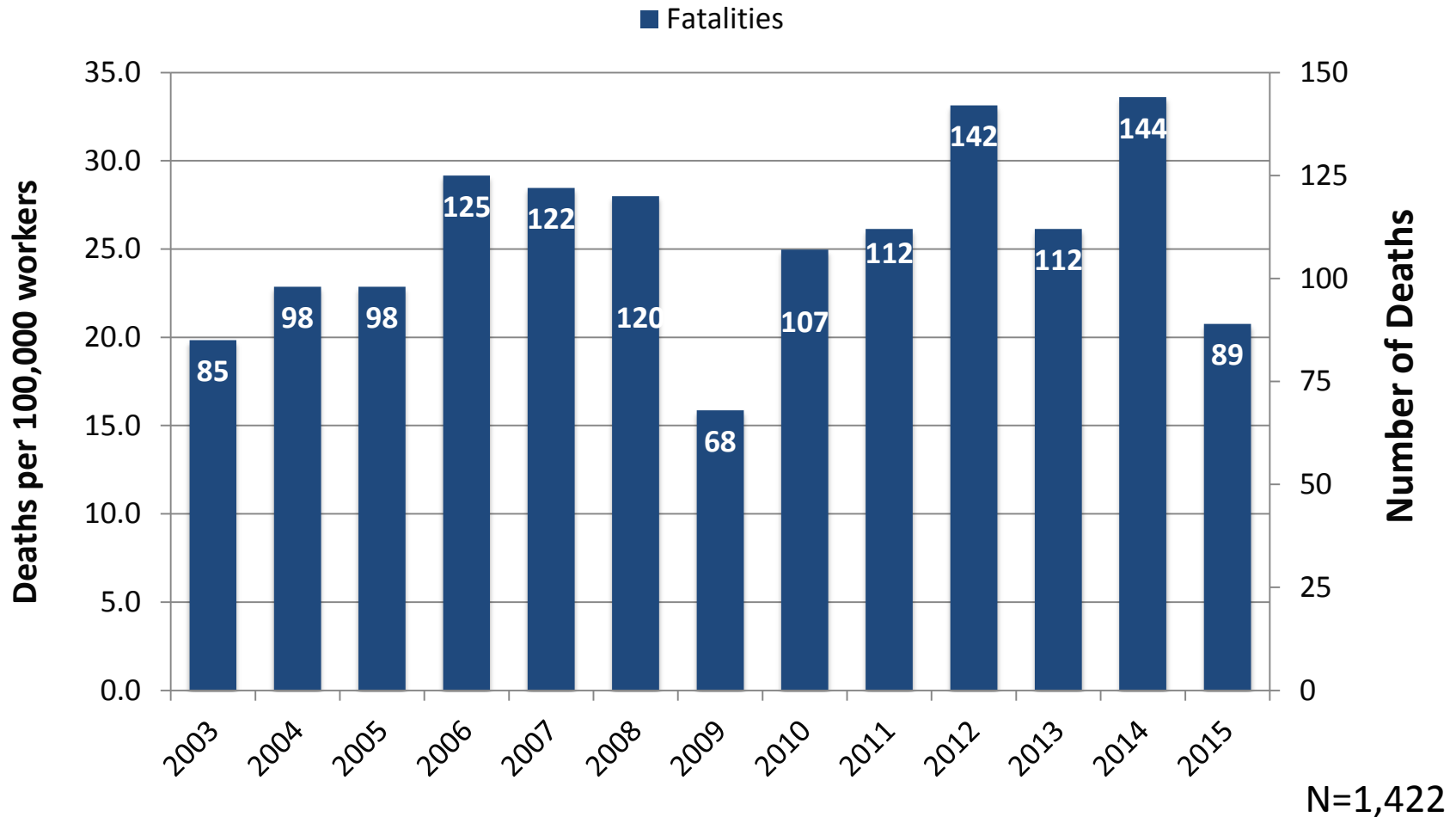
Fatality statistics

Challenges to addressing driver fatigue in oil and gas extraction

Factors affecting driver fatigue

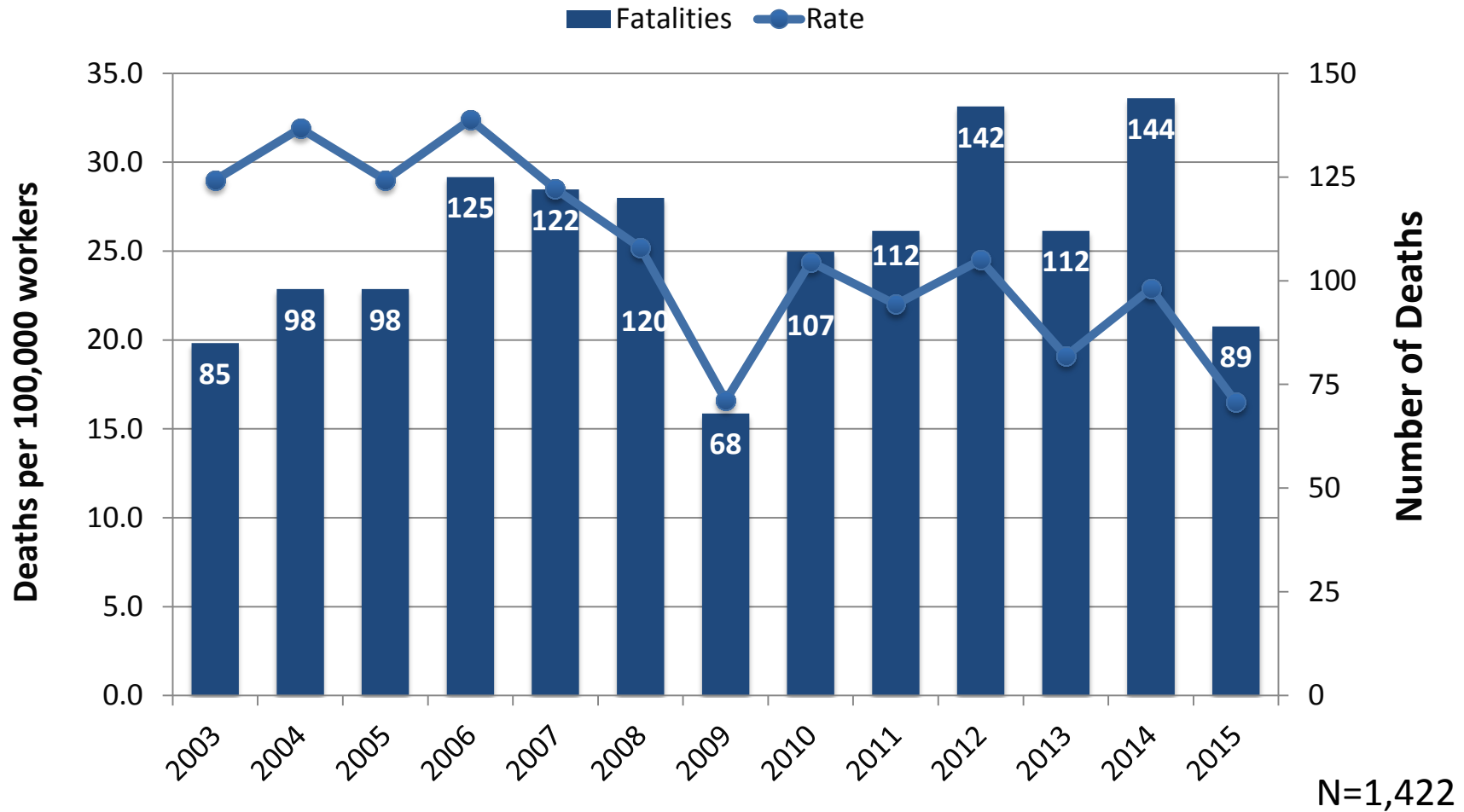
8 tips for preventing driver fatigue

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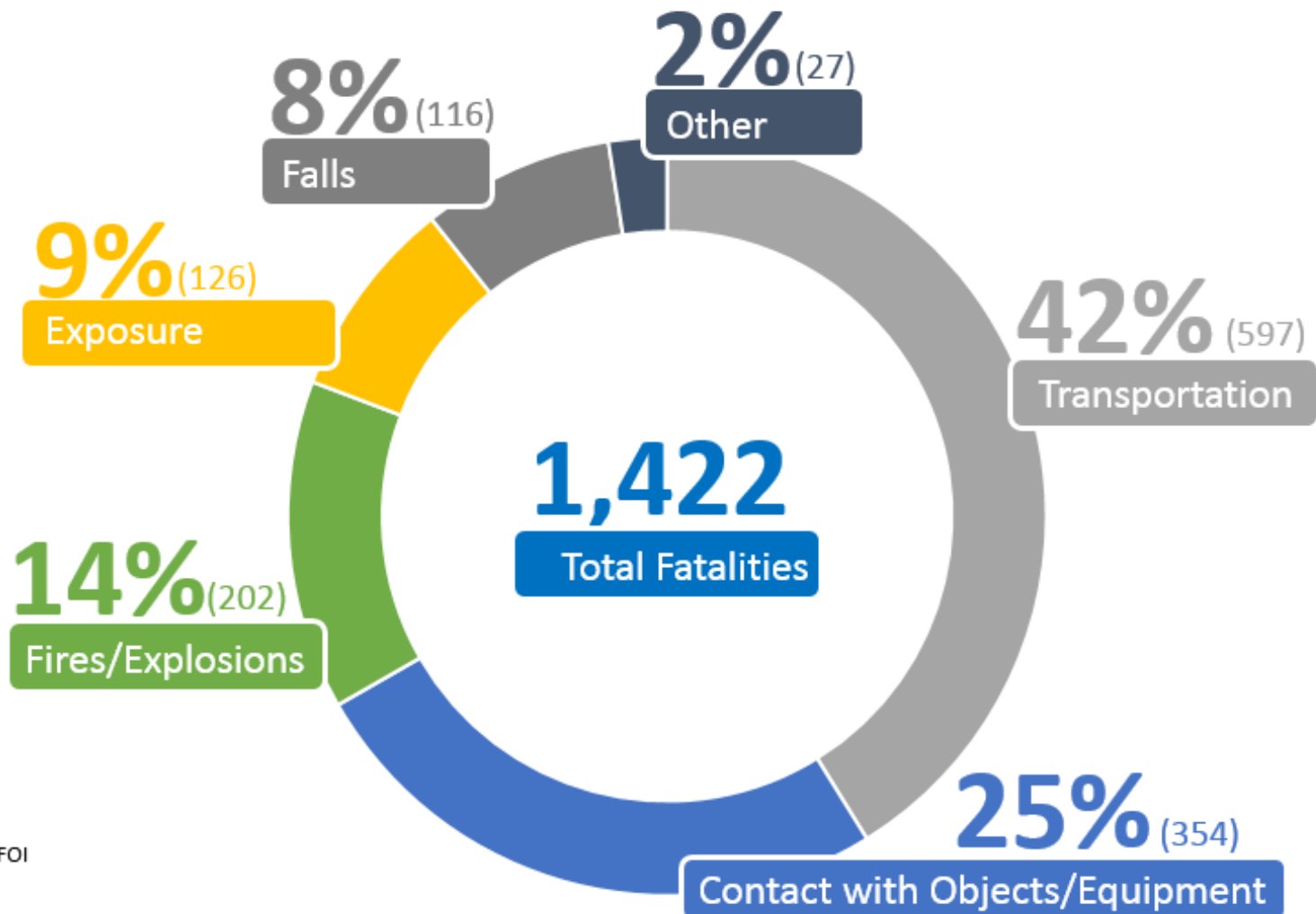
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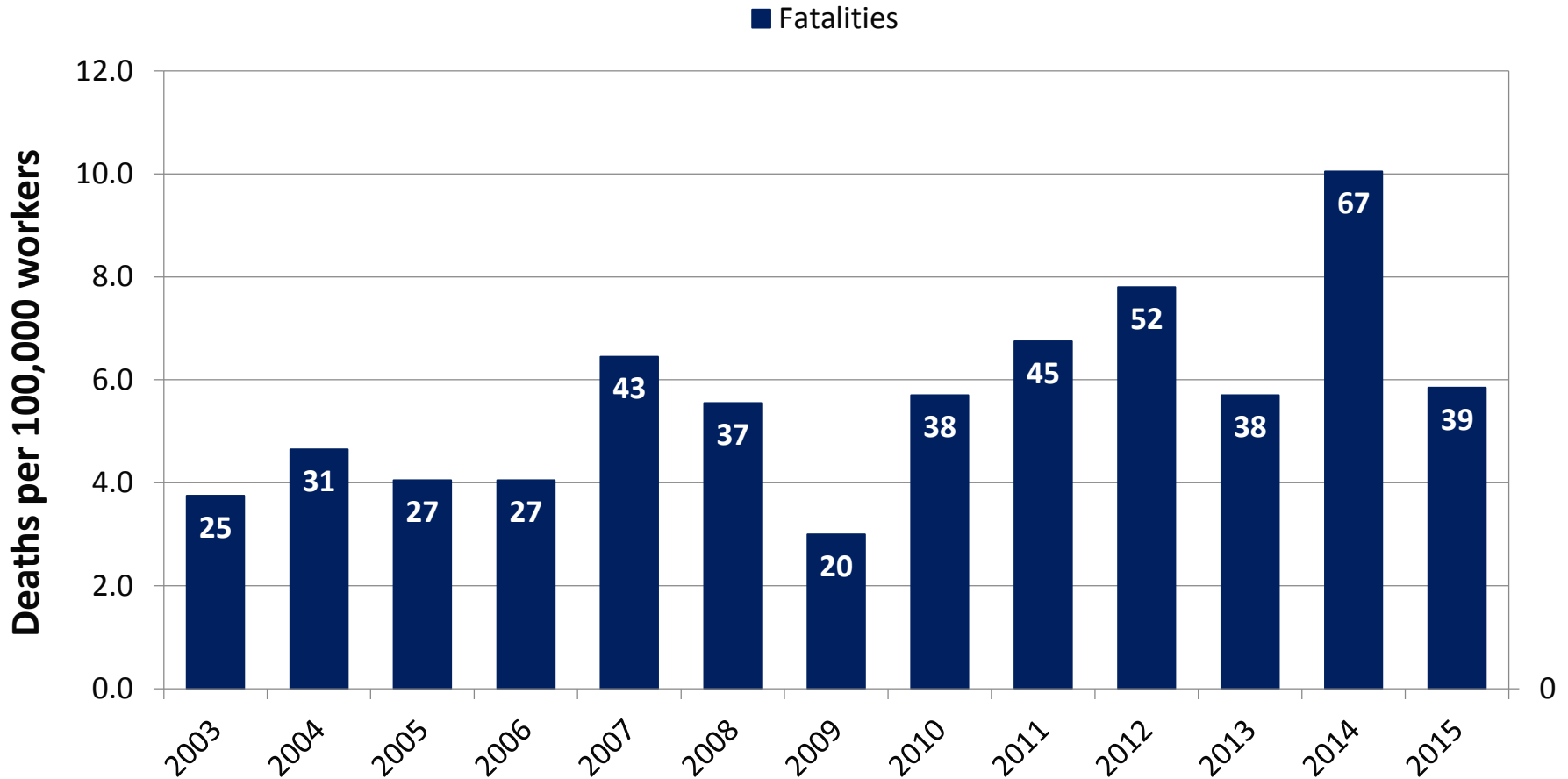
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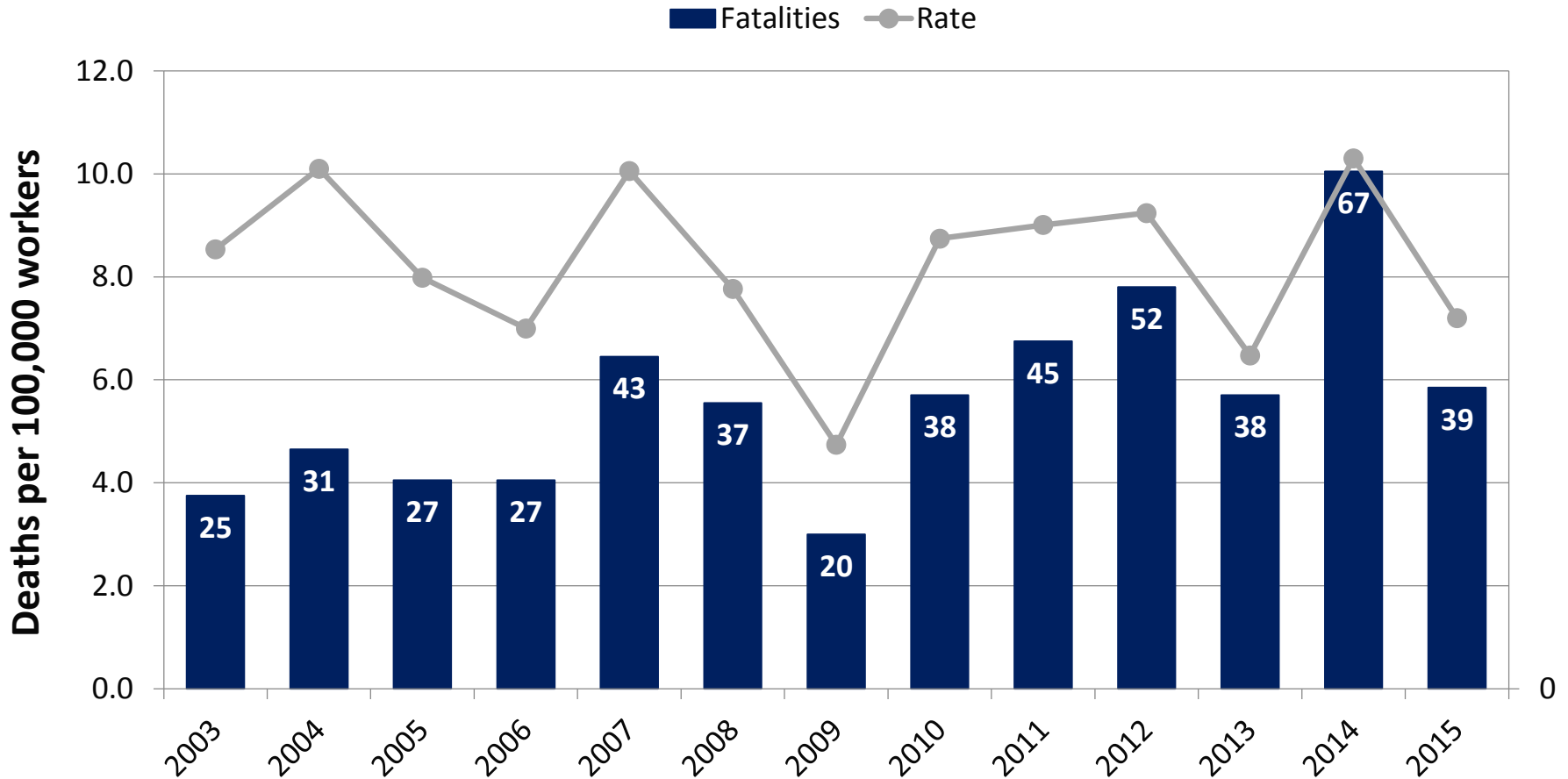
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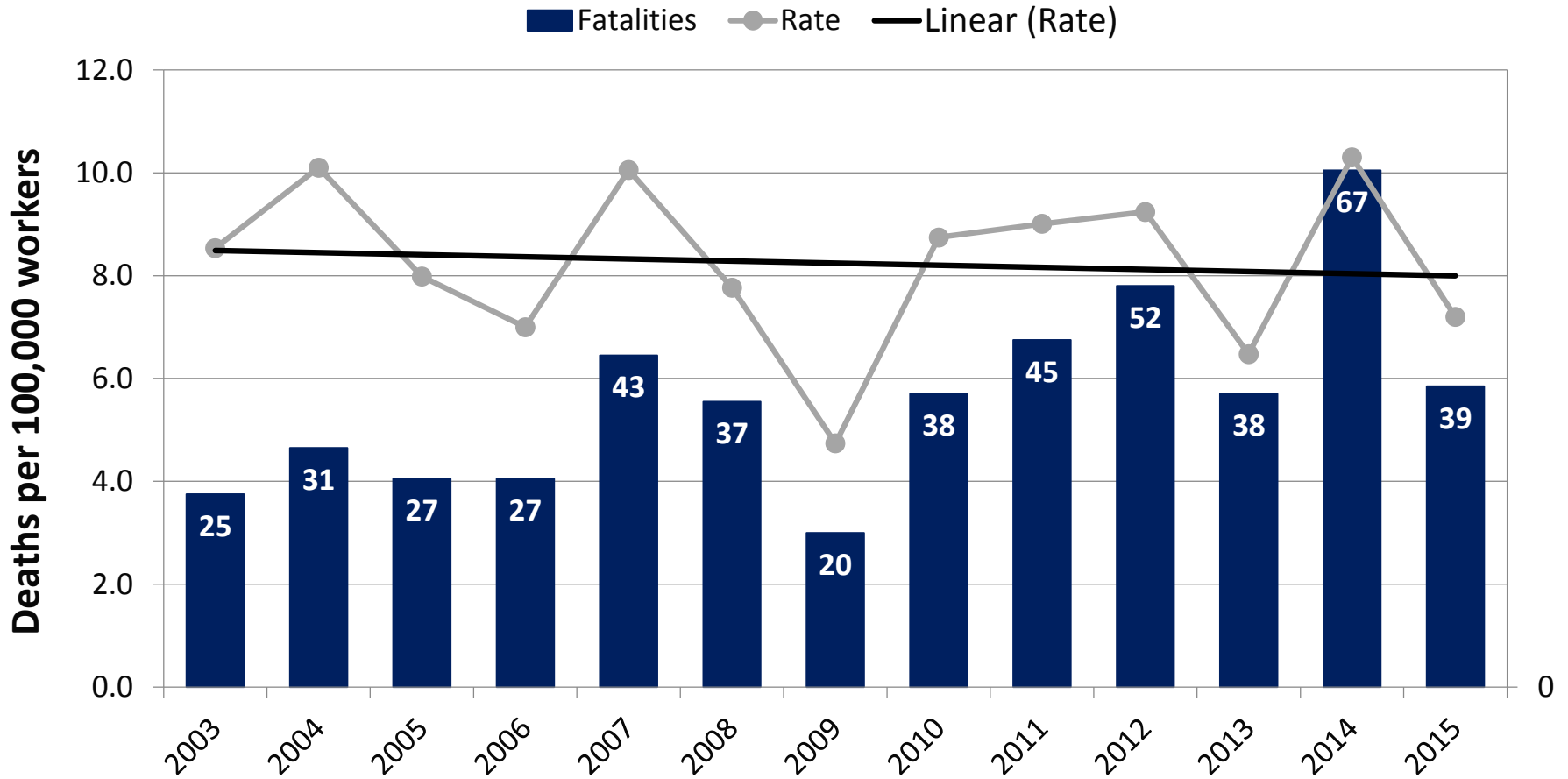
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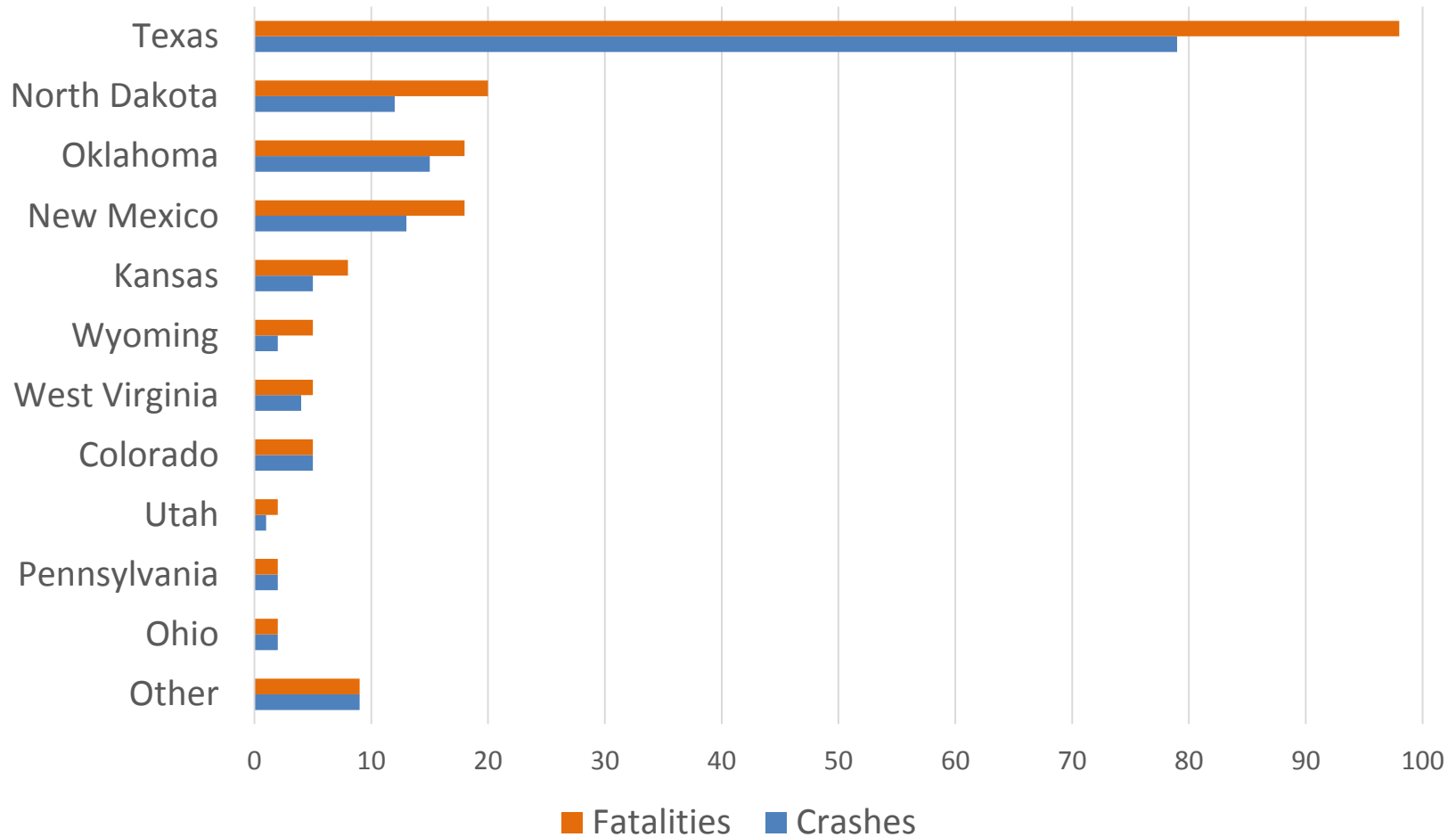
Recent Texas Oil and Gas Fatalities involving Driver Fatigue

1. (2014, Texas) 3 workers died, 24 hour shift, no designated driver, no on-site resting area, isolated site, only 1 was wearing seatbelt
2. (2013, Texas) 3 workers died after logging 190 hours; worked 14 days straight (13.5 hours per day)
3. (2012, Texas) 2 workers died late at night, isolated site, bunkhouse was full.



TEXAS DPS PHOTO

Number of fatalities and fatal crashes in OGE by state, 2011-2014



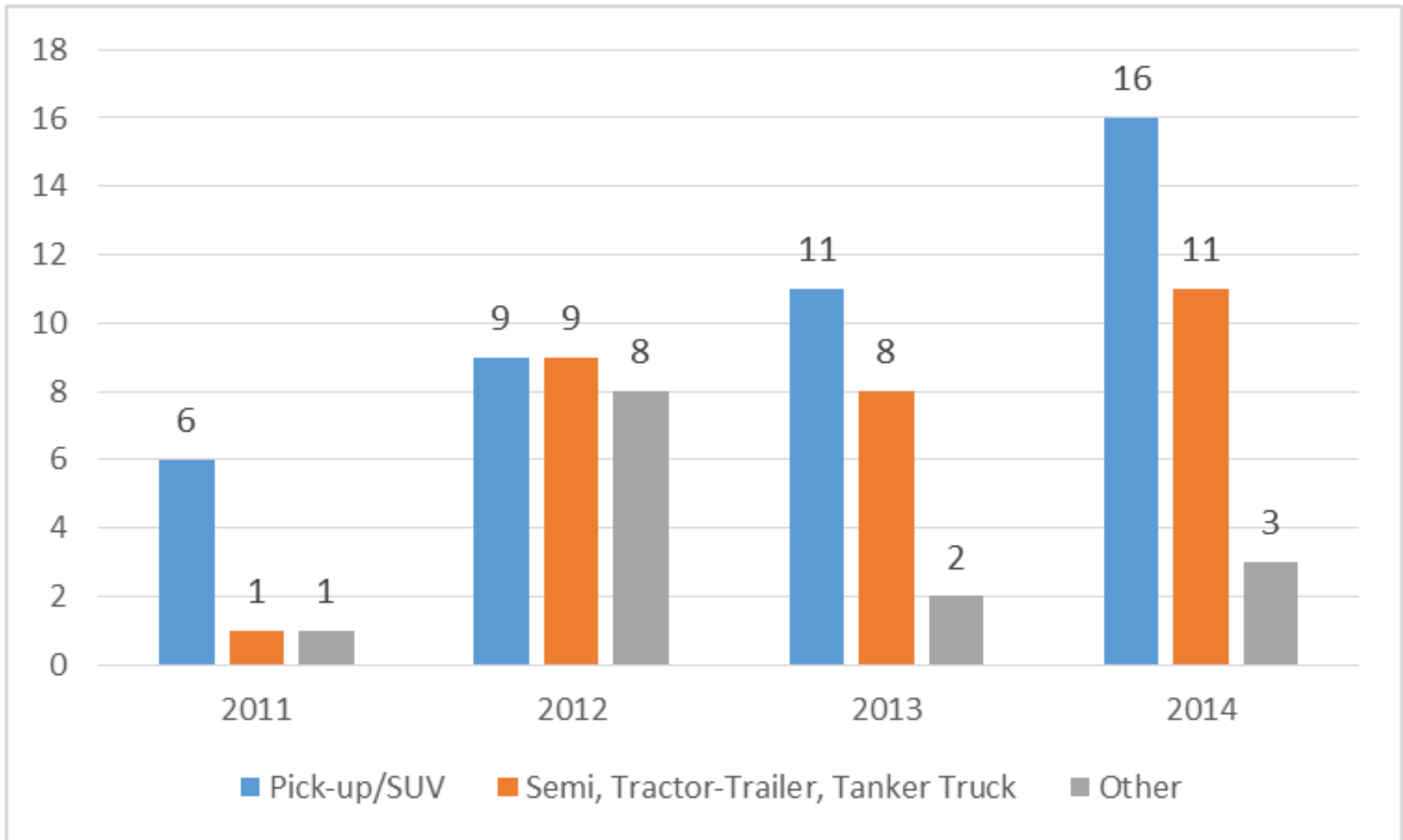
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Body type of vehicles with a fatally injured OGE occupant(s), 2011-2014

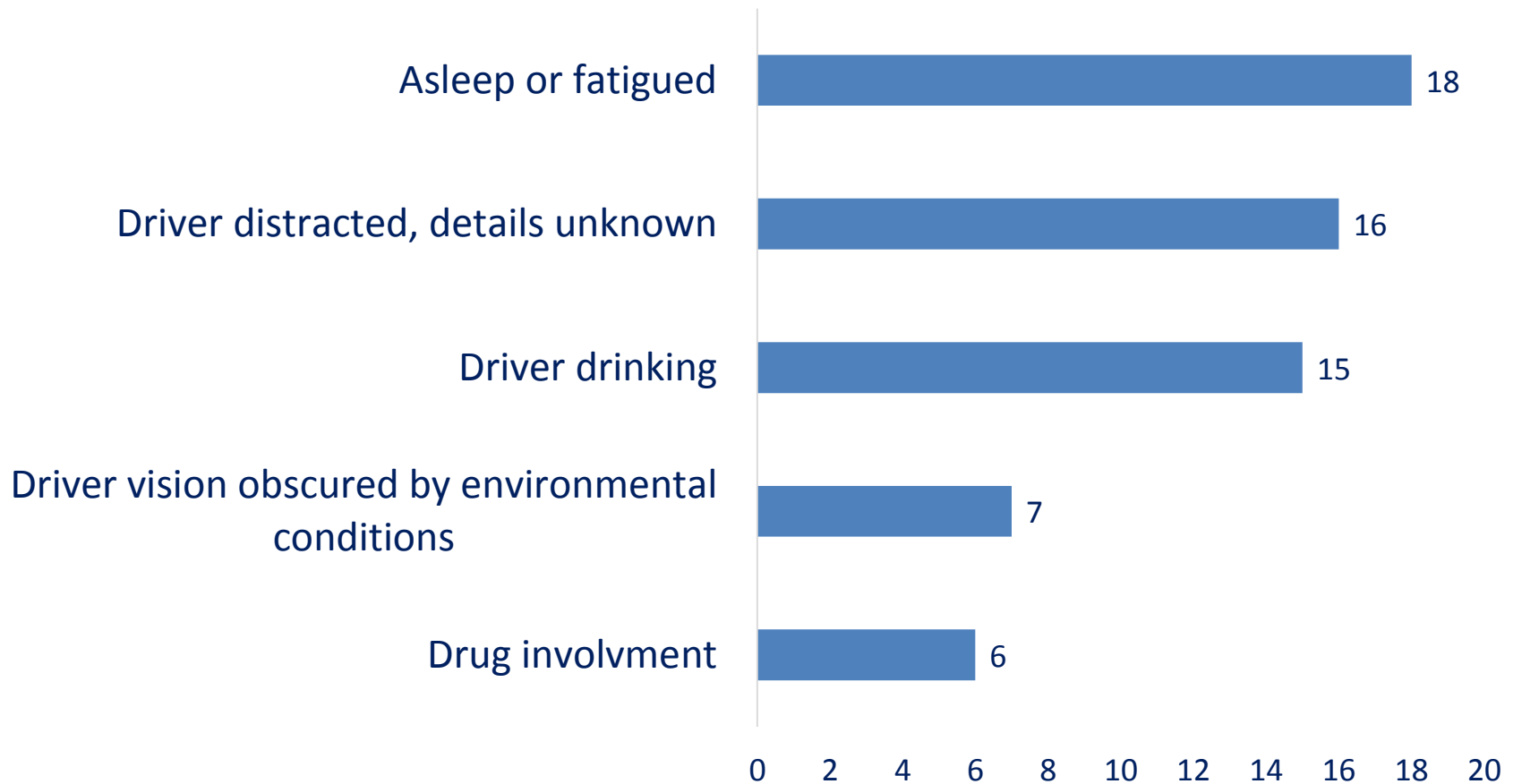
Passenger cars	5
Light trucks and vans--Utility vehicles	4
Light trucks and vans--Vans	5
Light trucks and vans--Pickup trucks	65
Light trucks and vans--Other light trucks	-
Large trucks -- Medium trucks	19
Flatbed	6
Other	6
Large trucks -- Large trucks	53
Enclosed Box	4
Cargo Tank	32
Flatbed	7
Grain/ Chips/Gravel	-
No Cargo Body Type	4
Farm/Construction equipment	3
Unknown	-
Total	156

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TEXAS Roadway Fatal Events by Vehicle U.S. Oil & Gas Extraction Industry, 2011-2014

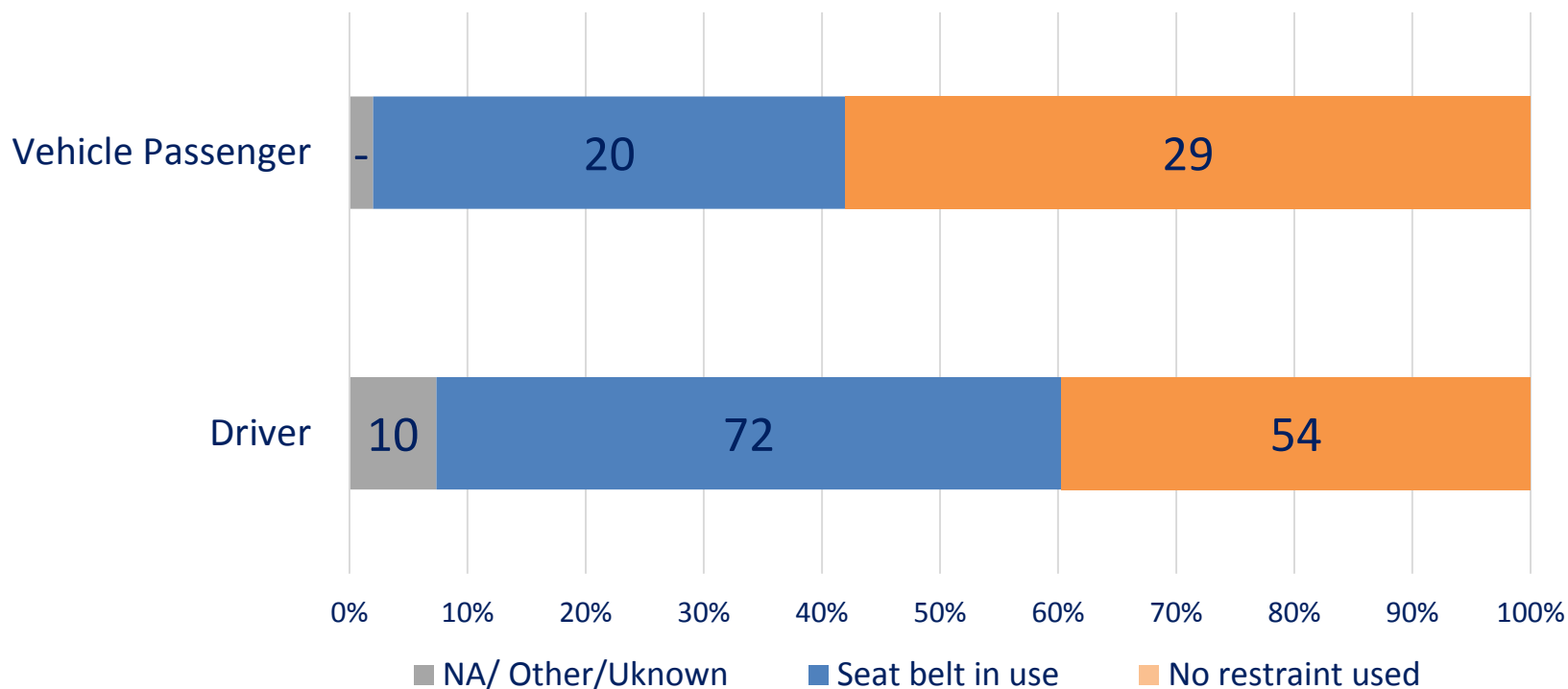


Condition or impairment of drivers of vehicles with fatally injured OGE occupant(s), 2011-2014



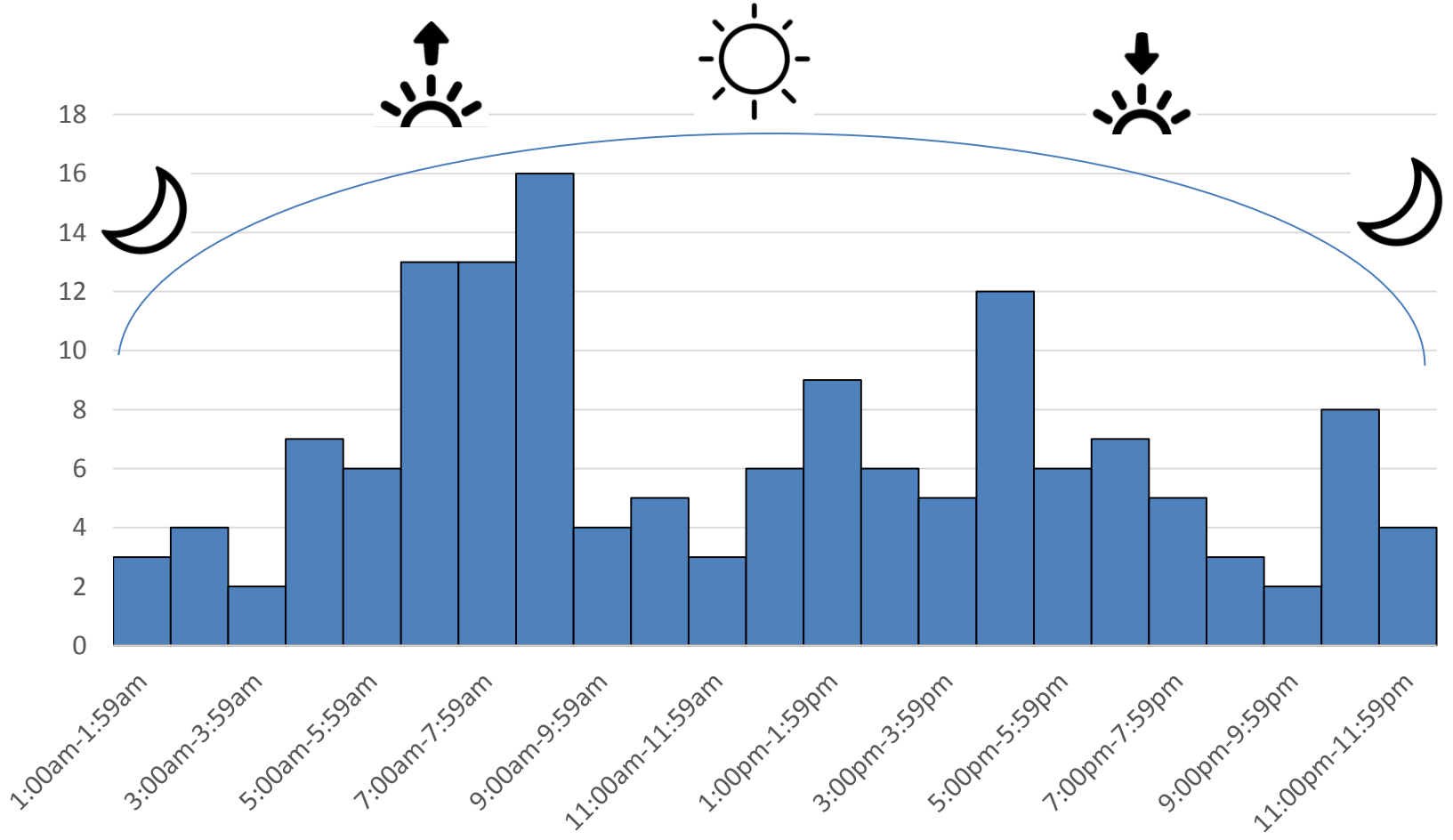
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Seating position and restraint use of fatally injured OGE occupants, 2011-2014



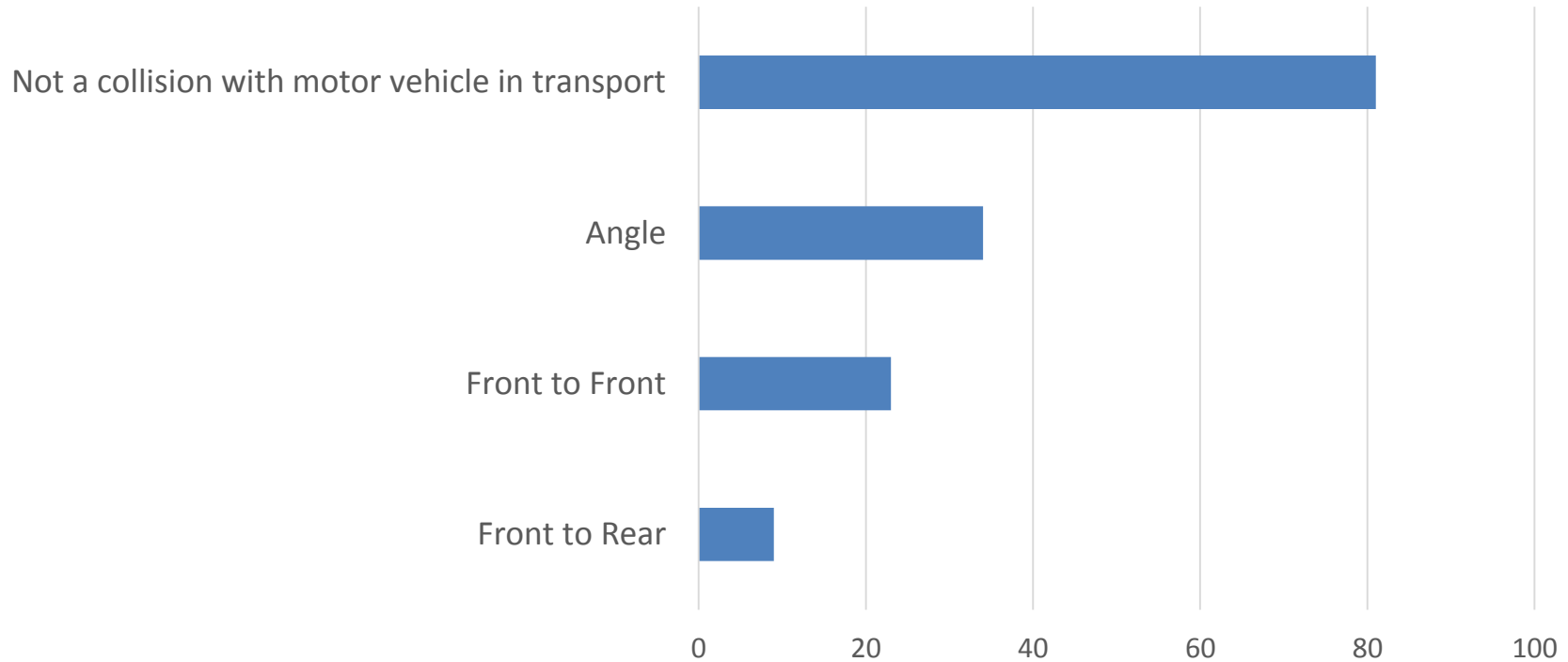
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"Other/Unknown" vehicle occupant position category not shown here.

Fatal crash frequency by time of day, 2011-2014



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Manner of collision in fatal crashes in OGE, 2011-2014



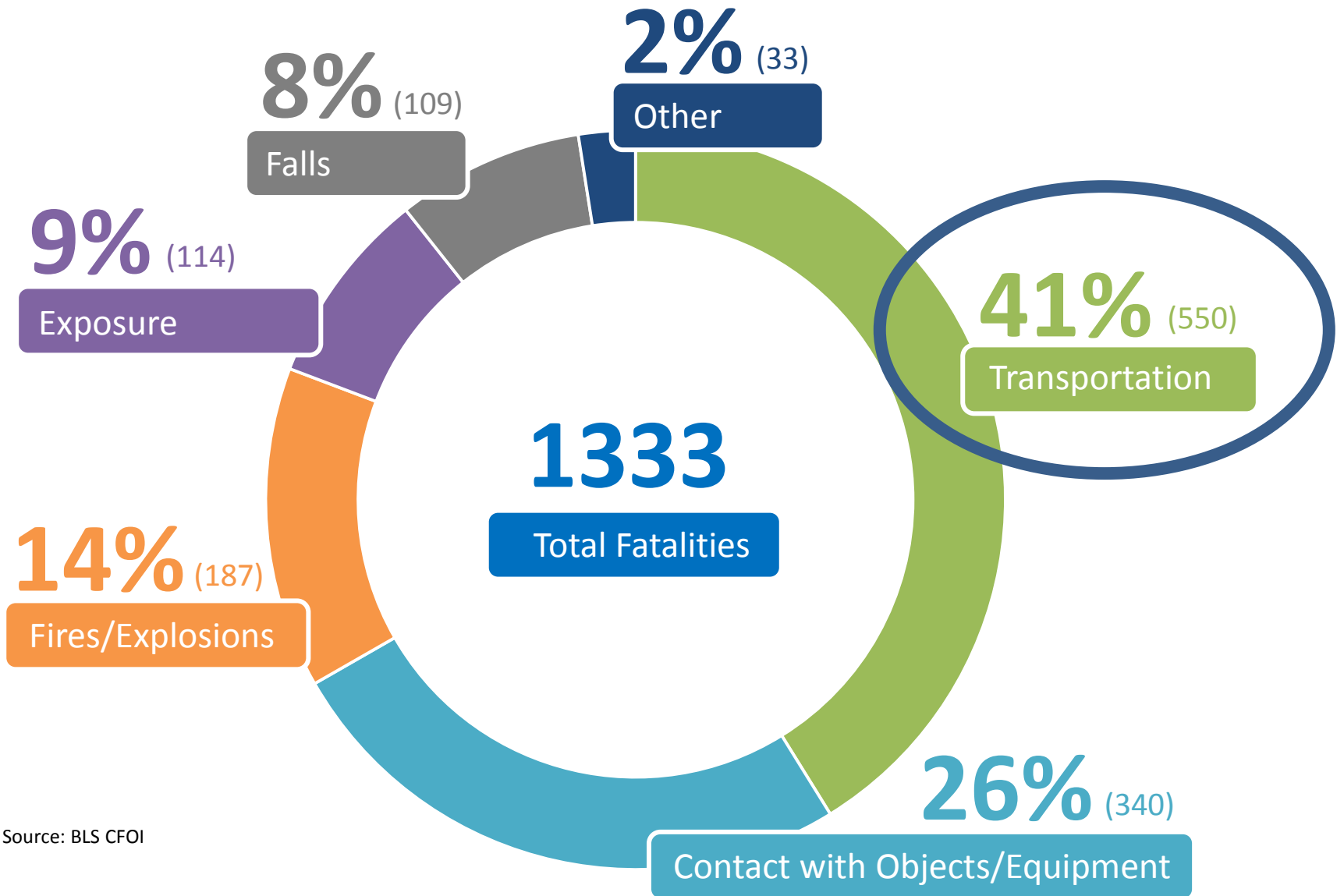
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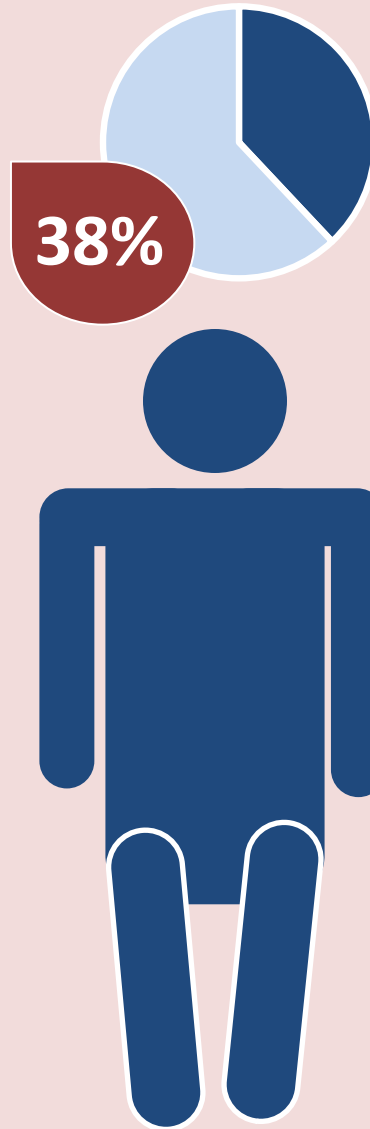
Motor Vehicle Fatalities by Seatbelt Status

U.S. Oil & Gas Extraction Industry

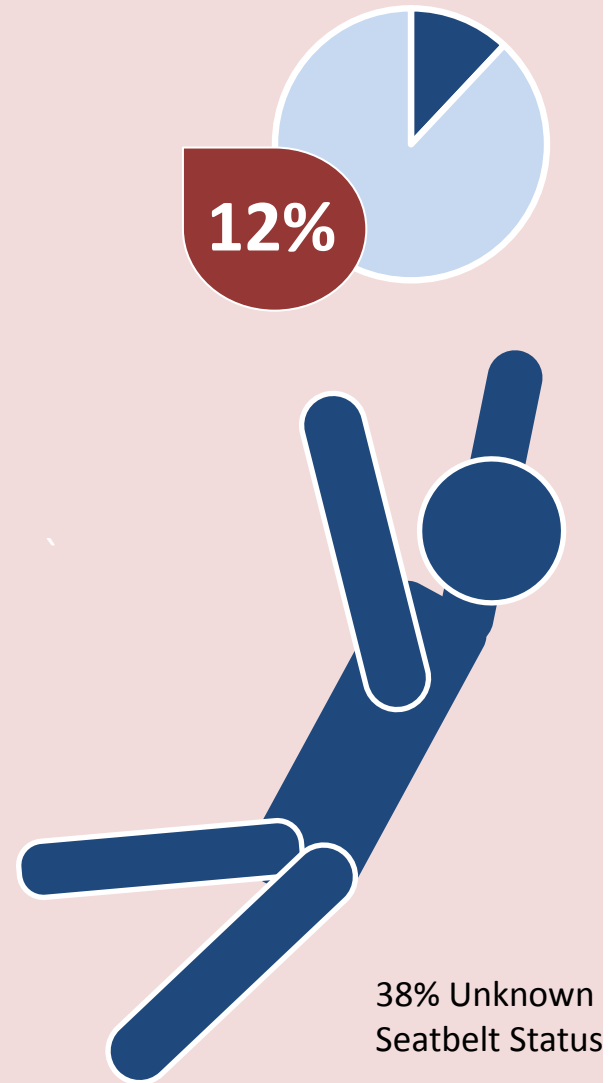
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Seatbelt



No Seatbelt



38% Unknown
Seatbelt Status

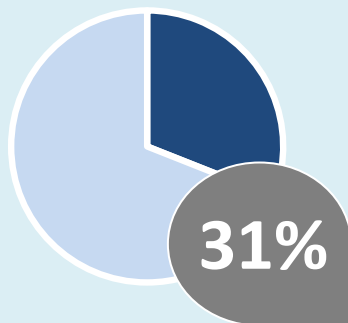
Source: Retzer et. al., 2013

Ejections

Other Factors Associated with Fatal Motor Vehicle Crashes

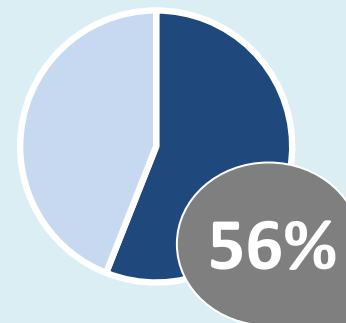
Short Service Employees

< 1 yr. with Current Employer



Company Size

< 100 Workers



Texas Motor Vehicle Fatalities by Company Type

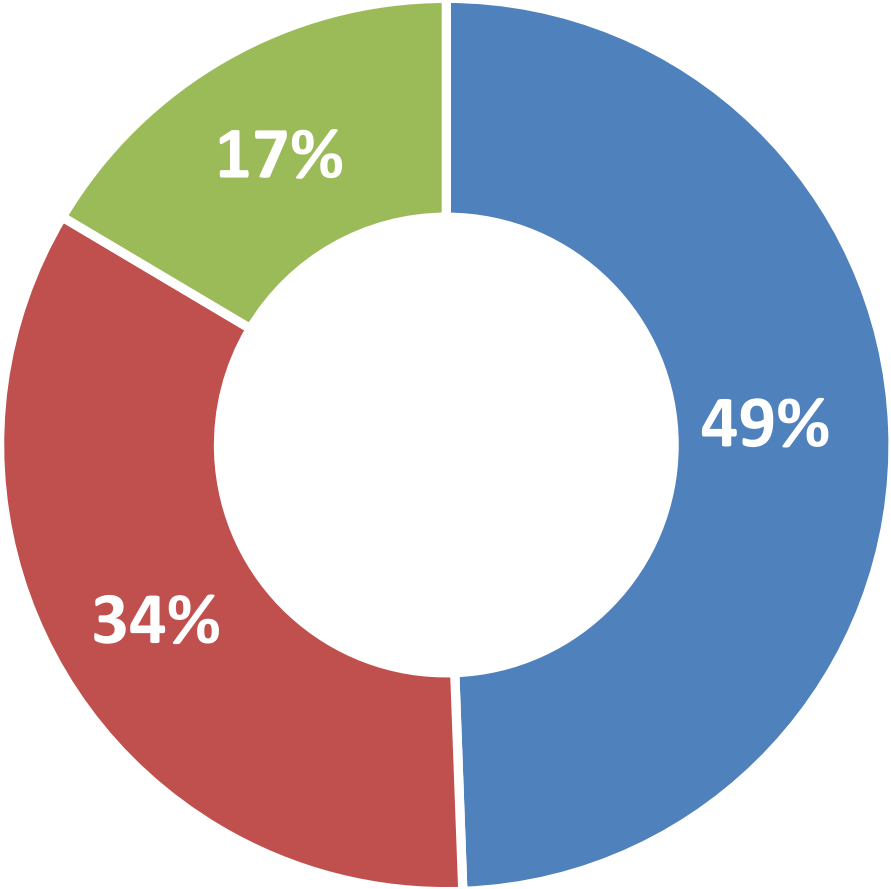
Oil and Gas Extraction Industry

Company Type	2011	2012	2013	2014
Support Activities	8	20	21	30
Drilling Operations	4	6	-	5
Operators	-	-	-	3

- : Data not reportable due to small size

Texas Motor Vehicle Fatalities by Vehicle Type

Oil & Gas Extraction Industry, 2011-2014



Pick-up/SUV

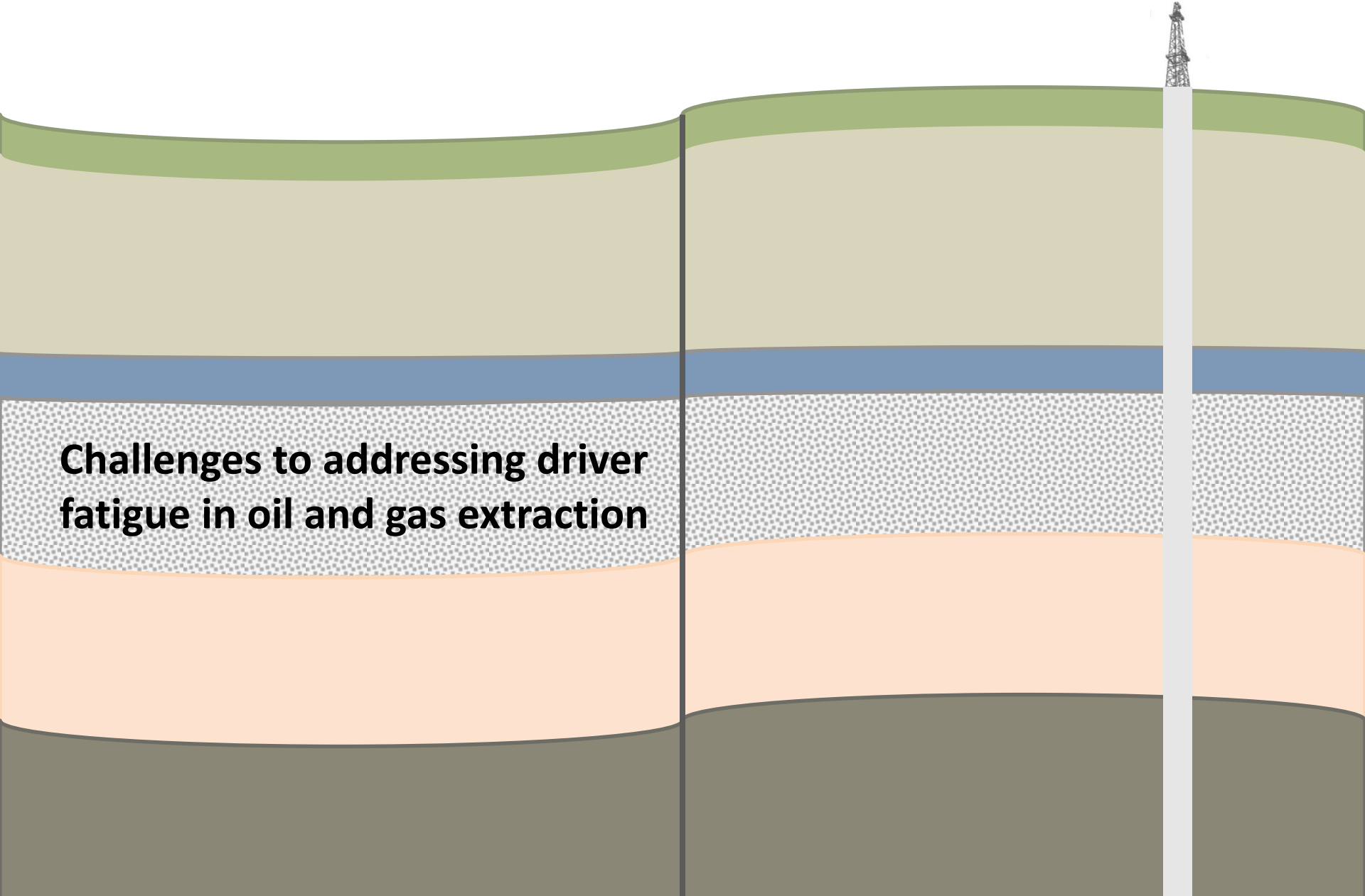
Semitrailer, tractor trailer, tanker truck

Other



At least 15-20%
of crashes
involve driver
fatigue

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Challenges to addressing driver fatigue in oil and gas extraction

NIOSH/NORA Motor Vehicle Workgroup



Personal Factors Affecting fatigue

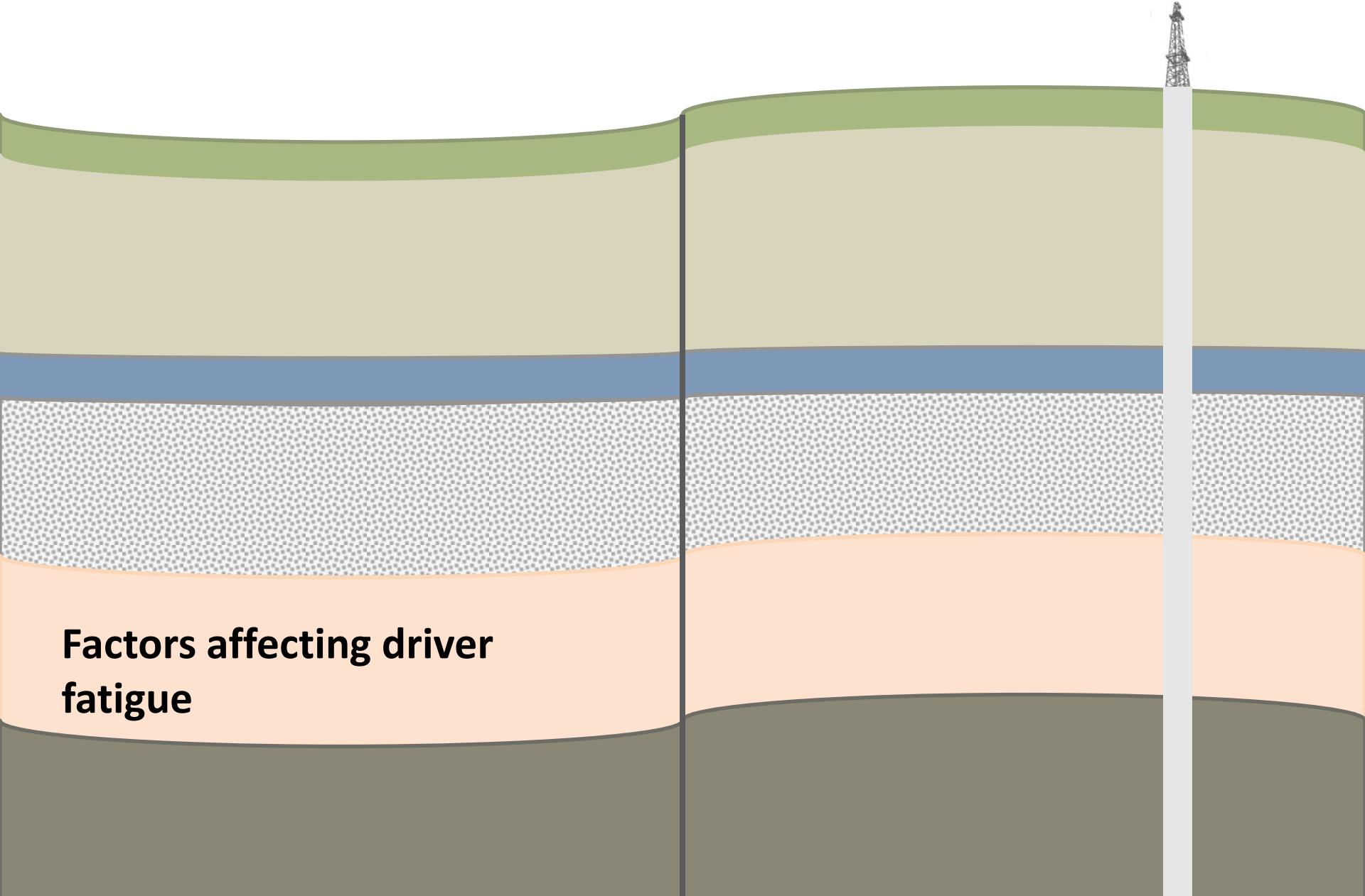
- Long commutes to start shift
- Desire to be at home with family until last minute
- Sleep is low priority

Source: NORA Oil and Gas Motor Vehicle
Workgroup Discussion on Driver Fatigue

Operational Demands in the Oilfield

- Critical path nature
- Calling crews out early
- If you won't do it, somebody else will
- Company man is a consultant
- Paid by the mile/load
- Disconnect between corporate policy and practice
- No good place to rest
- Conflicts with priorities of operators/dispatchers

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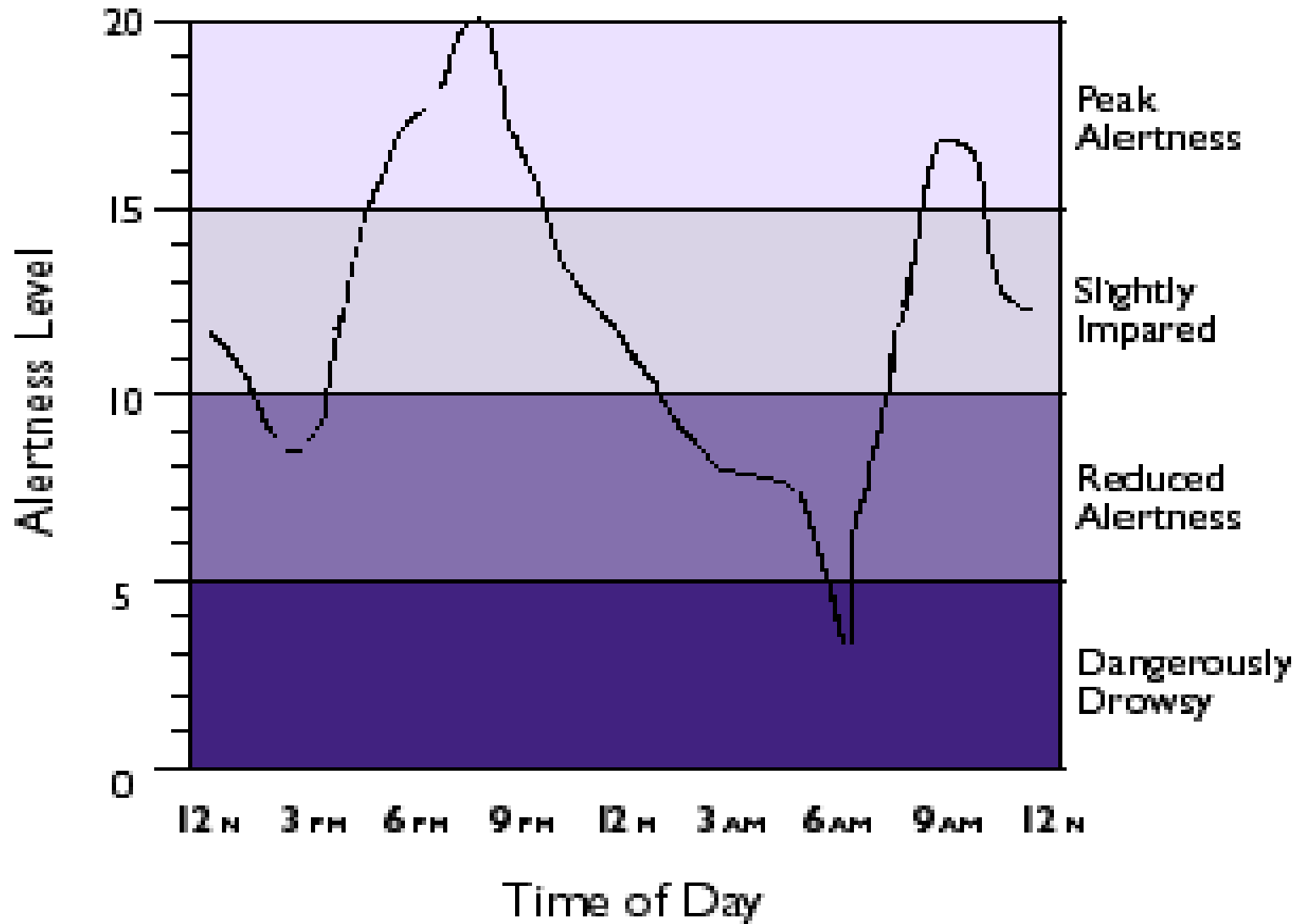
**Factors affecting driver
fatigue**

Factors increasing risk of fatigued driving

1. Time of day/circadian rhythms
2. Length of time awake
3. Sleep debt (cumulative)
4. Medications and Health Conditions
5. Mundane tasks

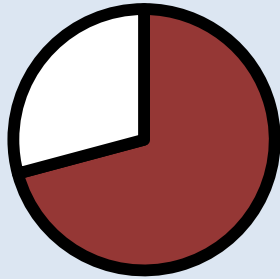


Alertness over a 24 hour period



Fatigue Is Like Intoxication

17 Hours



Awake

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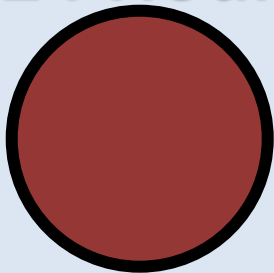
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BAC



170 LBS male
over 2 hrs.



24 Hours



Awake

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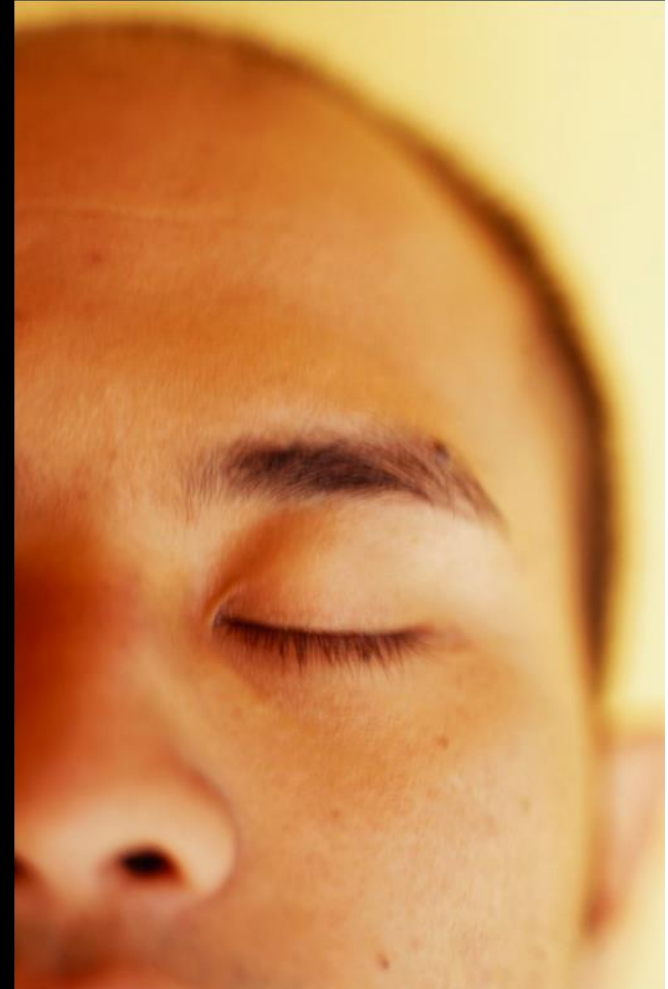
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SLEEP IS IMPORTANT FOR LIFE AND HEALTH

- During sleep, our brain & body are **BUSY** recovering from the day and getting us ready for a new day
- Inadequate sleep has deleterious effects



Cumulative Sleep Debt



$\text{Sleep Need} - \text{Actual Sleep} = \text{Sleep Debt}$
Sleep debt grows cumulatively over time

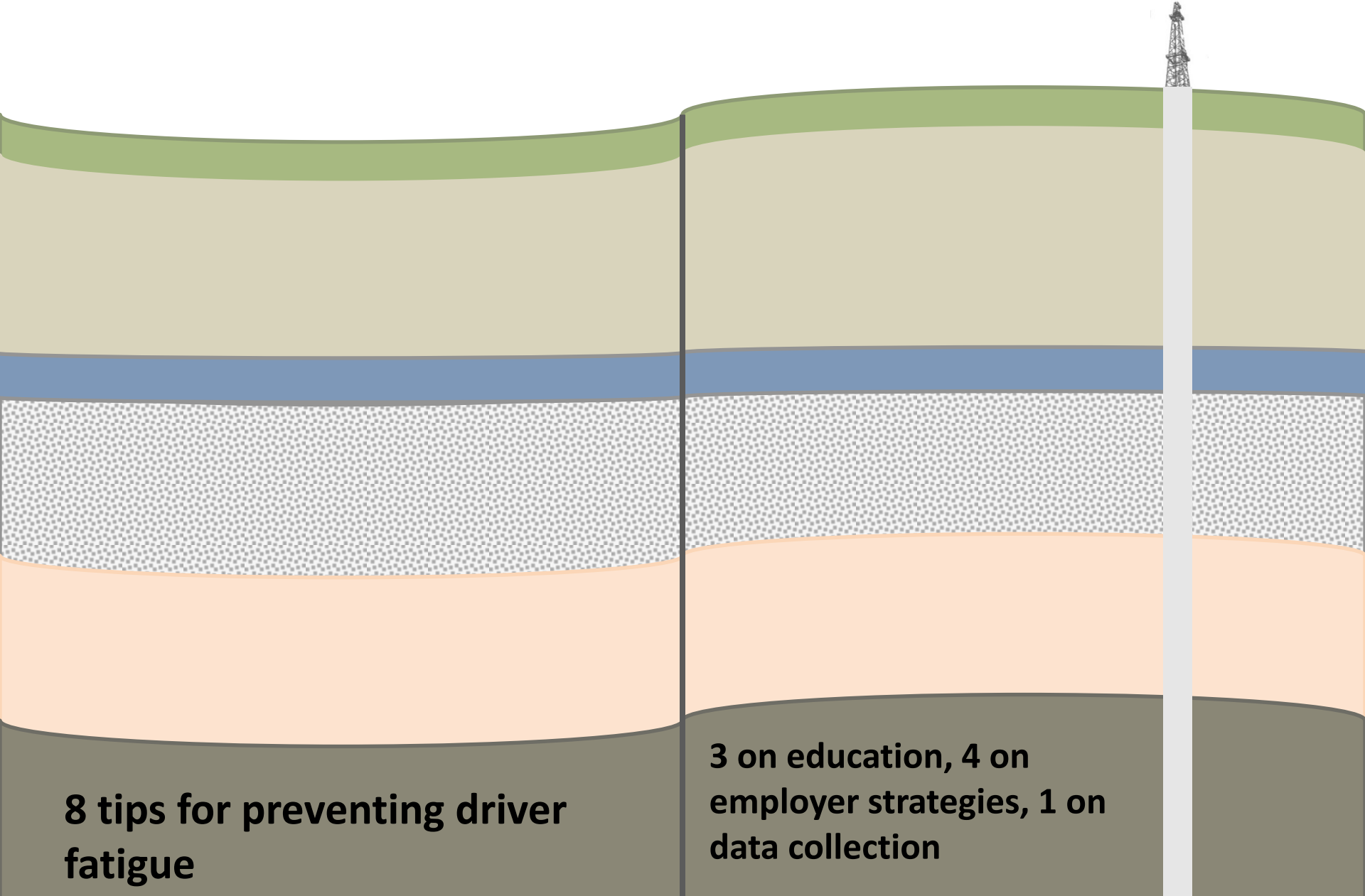
Critical Misconceptions About Ability to Overcome Poor Performance Due to Sleep Loss

- DO NOT recognize declines in own poor performance
- NO EVIDENCE that experience, motivation, professionalism help



(Arendt et al., 2005; Van Dongen 2009)

Session Objectives



8 tips for preventing driver fatigue

3 on education, 4 on employer strategies, 1 on data collection

Educate Drivers about Sleep and Warning Signs



- Need at least 7-9 hours of continuous sleep per day

Warning Signs:

- Yawning or blinking frequently
- Difficulty remembering the past few miles driven (microsleeps)
- Missing your exit
- Drifting from your lane/hitting rumble strip

What to do:

- Pull over to rest or change drivers

Educate Drivers about Impact of Health



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Physical Activity:

- Two and a half hours per week

Nutrition:

- Avoid sugar-rich and low-fiber carbohydrate foods

Medications and health conditions:

- Chronic diseases;
prescriptions/over-the-counter

<http://www.roadwiserx.com>



Do you have a sleep disorder?

See your doctor if you spend enough time in bed but:

- You consistently take more than 30 minutes to fall asleep.
- You consistently awaken several times or for long periods.
- You take frequent naps.
- You often feel sleepy, especially at inappropriate times.

OTHER RESOURCES

- <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/topics/workschedules>
- <http://www.cdc.gov/sleep>
- <http://www.sleepfoundation.org/>
- <http://drowsydriving.org/>
- http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/public/sleep/healthy_sleep.pdf

For more strategies on how to sleep better and to reduce the risks associated with fatigue, visit

<http://www.healthysleepfortruckers.org>

This site contains information for both truck drivers and trucking companies.

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Alert Light Duty Drivers to Sleep Disorders

Approximately 90 different sleep disorders; affects 70 million Americans

See doctor if you:

- Take more than 30 minutes to fall asleep
- Wake several time during sleep or for long periods
- Take frequent naps
- Often feel sleepy, especially at inappropriate times





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**Encourage workers to
“Stop the Job” instead of
driving fatigued; intervene
with co-workers too**

Consider Use of Technologies

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Example: MiX Mobileye

In-vehicle tracking:

- laneway departures
- proximity to other vehicle and pedestrians
- headway distance
- speed limit infractions

Example: OPTALERT

- wearable fatigue monitors based on blink rate, eyelid closure and other eye metrics



Examine your operations for activities that put workers at risk for driver fatigue



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- Crews that regularly drive after wakefulness periods 17 hours or longer (including commute and work time)
- Contractor activities
- Early morning commutes (4-6am)
- Night and rotating shifts
- **INCLUDE LIGHT DUTY VEHICLES**

Develop Company Policy and Use Journey Planning



- Limit driving distances
- Limit commute time before shift
- Ensure rested driver available
- Plan rest breaks and locations
- Mandate Seatbelt use

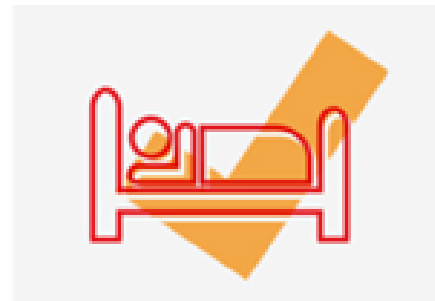
OGP Land Transport Safety Recommended Practice, Journey Management:

<http://www.ogp.org.uk/pubs/365-2.pdf>

Provide On-site or Nearby Resting Areas

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- Block out all light (curtains, eye mask)
- Block out noise (ear plugs, white noise app, silence phones)
- Keep temperature cool
- Comfortable



Incorporate Fatigue into Incident Investigations/Tracking



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- Identify if fatigue factors were present (time of day, etc.)
- Determine #/severity of fatigue factors
- Reconstruct sleep/awake/on-duty schedule for 72 hours
- Number of days worked in a row
- Encourage near miss reporting

**Be a Good Example:
How are You Doing?**

Resources

National Road Safety Foundation

<http://nrsf.org/programs/drowsy-driving>

Drowsy Driving Prevention Week Materials

<http://drowsydriving.org>



NIOSH Oil and Gas Extraction Field Survey In Permian Basin next week! Consider participating!

Objectives

- Identify health and safety concerns of workers
- Determine factors that contribute to motor vehicle incidents

Participants

500 oil and gas workers in 5 states

Content

General Topics

- Demographics
- Health and personal habits
- Workplace/Job characteristics
- Safety culture

Topics of Concern

- Tank gauging and sampling
- Driving behaviors**
- Chemical exposures
- Respirable silica

Results

Guide interventions
and future research

Closing Thought

Regarding young OGE workers:

“ The biggest challenge is impressing upon them that driving is a critical part of their job and not simply something they do every day to get to a job site. Young or new employees try hard to make a good impression on their supervisors so they work hard and often end up rushing things. Many have inadequate safe driving schools or an inappropriate attitude about work related driving....It's our job to build a culture of driving safety into their work routine to ensure they get home safely every day.”

Colonel Mark Trostel, Driving Safety Advisor, Encana Oil and Gas

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